BUDGET, FINANCE & PERSONNEL

RESOLUTION NO. 2025010

RE: DESIGNATION OF DUTCHESS TOURISM, INC. AS THE TOURISM PROMOTION AGENCY (TPA) FOR THE COUNTY OF DUTCHESS

Legislators CASWELL, TRUITT, HOUSTON, POLASEK, GORMAN, D'AQUANNI, and MC HOUL offer the following and move its adoption:

WHEREAS, Dutchess County continues to develop plans for tourism, marketing, and promotion and desires to promote the historical, cultural, and environmental resources of the County to promote tourism, and

WHEREAS, Article 5-A of the Economic Development Law, known as the New York State Tourist Promotion Act, authorizes the State Commissioner of Economic Development to match funds expended by recognized tourist promotion agencies, based upon guidelines determined by the Commissioner, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 5-A of the Economic Development Law, to qualify for this fund-matching program, the governing body of the County of Dutchess must first designate a Tourism Promotion Agency (TPA) as defined by such law as the agency authorized to make an application for and receive Tourism Matching Funds for Dutchess County, and

WHEREAS, Dutchess Tourism, Inc., is recognized as a Tourism Promotion Agency (TPA), and is, therefore, qualified to apply for Tourism Matching Funds, and

WHEREAS, most recently the County of Dutchess designated Dutchess Tourism Inc., as the Tourism Promotion Agency (TPA) for the County via Resolution No. 2018279, and

WHEREAS, Dutchess Tourism Inc. has been informed by I Love NY that they have updated their required documentation for matching funds grants and that the County Resolution designating them as the Tourism Promotion Agency (TPA) for Dutchess County should state a period (such as a date or number of years) that the resolution will remain in effect, or that it remains in effect until rescinded, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Dutchess County Tourism, Inc. is hereby designated the Tourism Promotion Agency (TPA) for Dutchess County until rescinded by a future Resolution and is authorized to make applications and receive grants for the purposes specified in the New York Economic Development Law.

APPROVED
Susan J. Serino
SUSAN J. SERINO
COUNTY EXECUTIVE
Date 1/22/2025

CA-007-24; EW/LDF/rjw G-0179; 12/16/24 Fiscal Impact: See Attached

STATE OF NEW YORK
ss:
COUNTY OF DUTCHESS

This is to certify that I, the undersigned Clerk of the Legislature of the County of Dutchess, have compared the foregoing resolution with the original resolution now on file in the office of said clerk, and which was adopted by said Legislature on the 21st day of January 2025, and that the same is a true and correct transcript of said original resolution and of the whole thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of said Legislature this 21st day of January 2025.

DUTCHESS COUNTY SEAL

Leigh Wager

LEIGH WAGER, CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

☑ NO FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED

APPROPRIATION RESOLUTIONS

(To be completed by requesting department)

Total Current Year Cost $ _____

Total Current Year Revenue $ _____
and Source

Source of County Funds *(check one)*: ☐ Existing Appropriations, ☐ Contingency,
☐ Transfer of Existing Appropriations, ☐ Additional Appropriations, ☐ Other *(explain)*.

Identify Line Items(s):

Related Expenses: Amount $ _____
Nature/Reason:

Anticipated Savings to County: _____

Net County Cost (this year): _____
Over Five Years: _____

Additional Comments/Explanation:
Requesting Dutchess Tourism Inc. to be designated as the official Tourist Promotion Agency for Dutchess County and adding specific language requested by I Love NY to said resolution, which will allow them to apply for State Matching Funds.

Prepared by: Eoin Wrafter Prepared On: 12/16/24

SUE SERINO
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

EOIN WRAFTER, AICP
COMMISSIONER

DUTCHESS COUNTY GOVERNMENT
DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

To: Chris Baiano, Assistant County Executive

From: Eoin Wrafter, Commissioner EW

Re: Resolution Request: Designating Dutchess Tourism Inc. as the Tourism Promotion Agency for Dutchess County

Date: December 16, 2024

I Love New York recently informed Dutchess Tourism Inc. that they have updated their required documentation for matching funds grants. The Resolution designating them as the Tourism Promotion Agency for Dutchess County should state a period (such as a date or number of years) that the resolution will remain in effect, or that it remains in effect until rescinded.

The current resolution 2018279 does not meet those requirements, I have attached a revised resolution that incorporates the new required language.

If you have any questions, please let me know.

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JOHN D. METZGER
County Legislator

DISTRICT XII
Town of East Fishkill

January 16, 2025

Leigh Wager
Clerk of the Dutchess County Legislature
22 Market Street
Poughkeepsie, New York 12601

Dear Clerk Wager:

On January 16, 2025, I was made aware of the following resolution:

> *Resolution No. 2025010, Designation of Dutchess Tourism, Inc., as the Tourism Promotion Agency (TPA) for the County of Dutchess*

Upon learning of the potential conflict, as my wife is employed by Dutchess Tourism Inc., I consulted with Legislative Counsel who informed me that I should recuse myself from discussing, voting on, or any other involvement with said resolution.

Please let this letter serve as my notice of recusal as required by Chapter 40 Code of Ethics of the Dutchess County Code of Local Laws and The Permanent Rules of the Dutchess County Legislature.

Sincerely,

JOHN D. METZGER
Dutchess County Legislator, District 12

c: Chair of the Legislature
Dutchess County Board of Ethics
Legislative Counsel

Budget, Finance, and Personnel Committee Roll Call

District	*Name*	*Yes*	*No*
District 7 - Hyde Park and Pleasant Valley	Truitt*	✓	
District 25 - Amenia, Washington, Pleasant Valley & Millbrook	Houston*		
District 3 - LaGrange	Polasek*		
District 16 - Fishkill and Beacon	Valdés Smith*		
District 9 - City of Poughkeepsie	Atkins*		
District 2 - LaGrange, Pleasant Valley & Town of Poughkeepsie	Travelpiece (VC)		
District 5 - Town of Poughkeepsie	D'Aquanni		
District 8 - City and Town of Poughkeepsie	Brendli		
District 10 - City of Poughkeepsie	Johnson		
District 12 - East Fishkill	Metzger	Recused - Absent	
District 17 - Town and Village of Fishkill	McHoul		
District 21 - East Fishkill	Caswell (C)		

Present: 11 Resolution: ✓ Total : 11 0

Absent: 1 Motion: ____ Yes No

Vacant: 0 Abstentions: 0

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Roll Call Sheets

District	Last Name	YES	NO
District 7 - Hyde Park and Pleasant Valley	Truitt	✓	
District 25 - Amenia, Washington, Pleasant Valley & Millbrook	Houston		
District 3 - LaGrange	Polasek		
District 16 - Fishkill and Beacon	Valdés Smith	Absent	
District 9 - City of Poughkeepsie	Atkins		
District 1 - Town of Poughkeepsie	Gorman		
District 2 - LaGrange, Pleasant Valley & Town of Poughkeepsie	Travelpiece		
District 4 - Hyde Park and Town of Poughkeepsie	Lawler		
District 5 - Town of Poughkeepsie	D'Aquanni		
District 6 - Town of Poughkeepsie	Kaul		
District 8 - City and Town of Poughkeepsie	Brendli		
District 10 - City of Poughkeepsie	Johnson	Absent	
District 11 - Clinton, Pleasant Valley, and Rhinebeck	Kearney		
District 12 - East Fishkill	Metzger	Recused - Absent	
District 13 - East Fishkill and Wappinger	Paoloni		
District 14 - Wappinger and Town of Poughkeepsie	Versaci	Absent	
District 15 - Wappinger	Faust		
District 17 - Town and Village of Fishkill	McHoul		
District 18 - City of Beacon and Fishkill	Page	Absent	
District 19 - North East, Stanford, Pine Plains, Milan & Red Hook	Drago		
District 20 - Red Hook, Tivoli, and Rhinebeck	Munn		
District 21 - East Fishkill	Caswell		
District 22 - Beekman and Union Vale	Garito		
District 23 - Pawling, Beekman and East Fishkill	Rolison		
District 24 - Dover and Pawling	House		

Present:	20	**Resolution:**	✓	**Total :**	20	0
Absent:	5	**Motion:**			**Yes**	**No**
Vacant:	0			**Abstentions:**	0	

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