

RESOLUTION

A meeting of the Sullivan County Funding Corporation (“SCFC”) was convened in public session at the Sullivan County Government Center, 100 North Street, Village of Monticello, Sullivan County, New York on January 9, 2023 at 11:10 a.m. local time.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Suzanne Loughlin, and, upon roll being called, the following members of SCFC were:

	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Suzanne Loughlin	[√]	[]
Edward T. Sykes	[√]	[]
Carol Roig	[√]	[]
Howard Siegel	[√]	[]
Scott Smith	[√]	[]
Paul Guenther	[]	[√]
Sean Brooks	[]	[√]
Philip Vallone	[√] <i>Via phone</i>	[]

The following persons were also present:

- Jennifer M. Flad, Executive Director
- John W. Kiefer, Chief Executive Officer
- Julio Garaicoechea, Project Manager
- Walter F. Garigliano, General Counsel

The following resolution was duly offered by Edward T. Sykes, and seconded by Howard Siegel, to wit:

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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT FOR COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SERVICES WITH SULLIVAN CATSKILLS REGIONAL FOOD HUB, INC. (“SCRFH”)

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 402 and 1411 of the Not-For-Profit Corporation Law of the State of New York (“N-PCL”), SCFC was established for certain charitable and public purposes including, among other things, relieving and reducing unemployment, promoting and providing for additional and maximum employment, bettering and maintaining job opportunities, instructing or training individuals to improve or develop their capabilities for such jobs, carrying on scientific research for the purpose of aiding a community or geographical area by attracting new industry to the community or area, or by encouraging, the development of, or retention of, an

industry in the community or area, and lessening the burdens of government and acting in the public interest; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the N-PCL and SCFC’s Certificate of Incorporation, SCFC has the power to make grants in furtherance of its purposes; and

WHEREAS, the SCFC, County of Sullivan Industrial Development Agency and Hudson Valley Agribusiness Development Corporation have worked cooperatively together since 2013 to develop a hyper-local food distribution hub (“Food Hub”); and

WHEREAS, in 2016 the SCRFH was created as a not-for-profit corporation to operate a Food Hub in Sullivan County; and

WHEREAS, since commencing operations in 2019, SCRFH has worked to increase the capacity of farmers and food producers to sell their products to commercial and institutional buyers throughout the region; and

WHEREAS, SCFC and SCRFH have determined that the greatest potential for connecting producers with consumers, and benefitting Sullivan County at large lies with (i) developing a robust farm-to-school program and (ii) developing an employer-based community supported agriculture program, utilizing locally produced farm and food products; and

WHEREAS, SCRFH has requested funding from SCFC in the amount of Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000) to assist with implementing an operational plan for developing farm-to-school and employer-based community supported agriculture programs; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of the direct and indirect economic benefits of a Food Hub, SCFC desires for a Food Hub to have long-term sustainability within Sullivan County; and

WHEREAS, SCFC has determined that assisting with the retention and sustainability of SCRFH’s Food Hub furthers SCFC’s mission and purpose by maintaining and expanding the agricultural industry through the provision of new market opportunities; and

WHEREAS, SCFC has determined that providing a robust farm-to-school program and an employer-based community supported agriculture program utilizing locally produced farm and food products will have a direct and indirect positive impact on the health of the residents of Sullivan County; and

WHEREAS, SCFC hereby desires to contract with SCRFH in furtherance of the sustainability of SCRFH’s Food Hub project located in Sullivan County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF SCFC AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. SCFC hereby approves and authorizes a Community and Economic Development Agreement with SCRFH substantially in substantially the form attached hereto.

Section 2. The officers, employees and agents of the SCFC are hereby authorized and directed for and in the name and on behalf of the SCFC to do all acts and things required and to execute and deliver all such certificates, instructions, documents, and to pay all such fees, charges and expenses and to do all such further acts and things as may be necessary or in the opinion of the officer, employee or agent acting on behalf of the SCFC desirable and proper to effect the purposes of the foregoing resolution and to cause compliance by the SCFC with all the terms, covenants and provisions of the documents for and on behalf of the SCFC.

Section 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Suzanne Loughlin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain
Edward T. Sykes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain
Carol Roig	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain
Howard Siegel	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain
Scott Smith	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain
Paul Guenther	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Absent	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain
Sean Brooks	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Absent	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain
Philip Vallone	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Absent	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain

The resolution was thereupon duly adopted.

STATE OF NEW YORK)
 ss.:
COUNTY OF SULLIVAN)

I, the undersigned Secretary of the Sullivan County Funding Corporation, DO HEREBY CERTIFY:

That I have compared the annexed extract of the minutes of the meeting of the Sullivan County Funding Corporation (the "Corporation"), including the resolutions contained therein, held on January 9, 2023 with the original thereof on file in my office, and that the same is a true and correct copy of the proceedings of the Corporation and of such resolutions set forth therein and of the whole of said original insofar as the same related to the subject matters therein referred to.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that public notice of the time and place of said meeting was duly given in accordance with Article 7 of the New York Public Officers Law, that all members of the Corporation had due notice of the meeting and that the meeting was in all respected duly held.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand on this 9th day of January, 2023.



Carol Røig, Secretary