Agenda

Planning & Economic Development Committee

October 21, 2026, 6:00 p.m., Legislative Chambers

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Gerace Office Building, Mayville, NY

A. Call to Order

B. Approval of Minutes (09/16/26)

C. Privilege of the Floor

1. Proposed Resolution – Accept and Authorize Execution of Contract For County Infrastructure Grant Program Funds for the Center Chautauqua Lake Sewer District Phase III Extension Project

2. Proposed Resolution – Authorizing Application Submittal for 2026 Community Development Block Grant Microenterprise Assistance Program

3. Proposed Resolution – Authorizing Public Hearing Regarding 8-Year Review of Chautauqua County Agricultural District 10

4. Other –

CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY
RESOLUTION NO. _____

TITLE: Accept and Authorize Execution of Contract For County Infrastructure Grant Program Funds for the Center Chautauqua Lake Sewer District Phase III Extension Project

BY: Public Facilities, Planning and Economic Development and Audit & Control Committees:

AT THE REQUEST OF: County Executive Paul M. Wendel, Jr.:

WHEREAS, the Chautauqua County Housing Market Assessment and Development Strategy (the Plan) was completed in February, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Plan prioritized top action items that would help establish a healthy and well-functioning housing market as critical to the vibrancy of communities, well-being of residents, and future economic development in Chautauqua County; and

WHEREAS, a top action item within the Plan includes supporting the development of an array of housing choices and implementing pre-development activities, such as infrastructure improvements and expansions, to further support new housing growth; and

WHEREAS, in 2026, the Chautauqua County Department of Planning and Development applied for and was awarded an Empire State Development (ESD) County Infrastructure Grant (project# 140,496) in the amount of $1,000,000 to assist with the Phase III Center Chautauqua Lake Sewer District Extension Project (the Project); and

WHEREAS, the Project will include the construction of a comprehensive municipal sanitary sewer system along the northeast shore of Chautauqua Lake by extending public sewer lines from Point Chautauqua to Midway State Park; and

WHEREAS, the Project will build in the necessary mainline utility capacity to support 174 units of new housing within the planned Sunset View Development and establishes immediate, localized sewer access for 66 vacant, buildable parcels; and

WHEREAS, upon completion of the Project to the satisfaction of the County and Empire State Development, with the ESD Board having approved the Project, the Center Chautauqua Lake Sewer District will receive $1,000,000 in grant funds to support the Project; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Phase III Capital Project budget be amended as follows:

INCREASE REVENUE ACCOUNT:
ESS.8130.27008.R399.0000 New York State Aid – Sewer Capital Projects $1,000,0000

; and be it also

RESOLVED, that the Chautauqua County Legislature hereby approves the acceptance of the $1,000,000 County Infrastructure grant from ESD, and the County Executive is authorized and empowered to execute all agreements and documents necessary to accept and disburse said funding.

_____**APPROVED**
_____**VETOES (VETO MESSAGE ATTACHED)**

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County Executive **Date**

CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY
RESOLUTION NO. _____

TITLE: Authorizing Application Submittal for 2026 Community Development Block Grant Microenterprise Assistance Program

BY: Planning & Economic Development and Audit & Control Committees:

AT THE REQUEST OF: County Executive Paul M. Wendel, Jr.:

WHEREAS, the New York State Community Development Block Grant Program provides funding to communities under their Economic Development Program to undertake activities that focus on community development needs such as creating or expanding job opportunities; and

WHEREAS, Chautauqua County ("the County") desires to partner with Chautauqua Opportunities for Development, Inc. ("CODI") as a subrecipient to apply to the New York State Office of Community Renewal ("OCR") for a $250,000 grant for eligible microenterprise activities which will provide grants to eligible microenterprise businesses, both startups and existing, for working capital, furniture, fixtures and equipment, and other eligible expenses; and

WHEREAS, if awarded, the County will not be responsible for any local matching share requirements; and

WHEREAS, the County held a public hearing on September 23, 2026 to obtain citizens' views regarding the CDBG program as administered by OCR and regarding the proposed microenterprise program; and

WHEREAS, a second Public Hearing regarding the CDBG application and program within Chautauqua County will be held October 28, 2026 at 6:35 PM in the Legislative Chambers, Gerace Office Building, Mayville, NY; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the County is hereby authorized to submit a grant application in the amount of $250,000, with such amount to be used to provide business grants and fund the costs of grant administration and program activities; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive is hereby designated as the Environmental Certifying Officer for the purposes of complying with the applicable federal environmental review requirements for the OCR grant; and be it further

RESOLVED, that if awarded, the County Executive is hereby authorized to execute the OCR grant agreement and all related documents associated with the OCR grant, including agreements with CODI relating to the use and administration of the grant funds.

_____APPROVED
_____VETOES (VETO MESSAGE ATTACHED)

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County Executive **Date**

CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY
RESOLUTION NO. _____

TITLE: Authorizing Public Hearing Regarding 8-Year Review of Chautauqua County Agricultural District 10

BY: Planning & Economic Development Committee:

AT THE REQUEST OF: County Executive Paul M. Wendel, Jr.:

WHEREAS, Chautauqua County Legislature is responsible for Chautauqua County Agricultural District 10 encompassing the Towns of Arkwright, Charlotte, Cherry Creek, Ellington, Gerry, and Villenova; and

WHEREAS, Article 25AA section 303-a of the New York State Agriculture and Markets Law authorizes the continuance and modification of agricultural districts within the County of Chautauqua, in accordance with the procedures set forth therein; and

WHEREAS, the County received a notification from the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets to perform an eight-year review for Agricultural District 10; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the New York State Agriculture and Markets Law section 303-a, a comprehensive eight-year review of Chautauqua County Agricultural District 10 was conducted, and a Notice to Review to accept proposals for modifications to the district was posted and distributed in accordance with the procedures set forth therein, for the period of August 1, 2026 through August 30, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Chautauqua County Agricultural and Farmland Protection Board reviews the submitted modifications on October 9, 2026, and is finalizing its report and findings of the proposed modifications; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with New York State Agriculture and Markets Law section 303-a, the County must hold a public hearing prior to accepting proposed modifications to an agricultural district; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chautauqua County Legislature hold a public hearing for the aforementioned purposes during the regular meeting of the Chautauqua County Legislature on December 16, 2026 at 6:35pm in the Legislative Chambers, Gerace Office Building, Mayville, New York, where all interested parties shall be heard regarding the proposed 8-year review modifications to Chautauqua County Agricultural District 10; and be it further

RESOLVED, that at least eight (8) days' notice of such hearing shall be given by the Clerk of the Legislature by the due posting thereof in the Gerace Office Building and on the County's website, and by publishing such notices in an official newspaper of the County.

_____APPROVED
_____VETOES (VETO MESSAGE ATTACHED)

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County Executive **Date**