

DRAFT for September 12, 2024

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE And INSTALLATION OF AN ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATION AT THE DPW GARAGE

WHEREAS, since 2018 the Town of Dryden has participated in the Clean Energy Community program, in which the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA) awards grants for municipal actions to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions; and

WHEREAS this summer the Town earned a \$10,000 NYSERDA grant for completing a second successful Clean Heat and Cooling Community Campaign, by promoting and documenting installation of air source or geothermal heat pumps and/or heat pump hot water heaters within Dryden, and

WHEREAS this new grant brings the total earned by the Town in the Clean Energy Communities program to more than \$140,000, which has been earmarked for projects such as insulation and electrification of the DPW office building, and adding a plug-in hybrid vehicle (EV) to the town fleet, and

WHEREAS NYSERDA grants to municipalities must be spent on actions which can reduce GHG emissions, and

WHEREAS the Town of Dryden Climate Action Plan, adopted as part of the 2022 update to the Town's Comprehensive Plan, calls for a reduction of GHG emissions from municipal operations; and

WHEREAS the town highway department wishes to reduce DPW fleet emissions by replacing gas fueled trucks with electric vehicles when possible, and Dryden's Bronze Level Climate Smart Community certification may provide discounts on the purchase of EV trucks, and

WHEREAS new electric truck(s) will require dedicated charging capability at the highway garage, closer to the hub of operations than the existing public charging station at town hall, and

WHEREAS purchase and installation of a Level Two, dual-port electric vehicle charging station is a pre-approved use of this NYSERDA grant, at a cost expected to fall within the grant amount; and

WHEREAS on Aug. 20,2024 the Climate Smart/Clean Energy Communities Task Force unanimously recommended spending the \$10,000 grant for the purchase and installation of an EV charging station at the DPW garage, now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Dryden Town Board authorizes the Town Supervisor to enter a contract with NYSERDA to commit the \$10,000 grant for the purchase and installation of an EV charging station at the DPW garage.