

TOWN OF DRYDEN

RESOLUTION # ___ OF 2024 AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING RECREATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES TO THE PUBLIC FOR THE DRYDEN RAIL TRAIL PHASE 2 PROJECT

At a meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Dryden, held at Dryden Town Hall, 93 E. Main Street, Dryden, New York on the 14th day of November, 2024, the following resolution was offered and seconded:

WHEREAS, the Town has for several years engaged in a series of property and easement acquisitions in furtherance of the creation of a recreational trail (the “Trail”) for non-vehicular use by the public within an abandoned railroad property; and

WHEREAS, the Town has identified the need for an additional acquisition of property to construct and maintain the Trail, said acquisition being an easement over property owned by the Village of Freeville and designated as tax parcel numbers 3.-2-4, 3.-2-5.1, 3.-2-5.2, 3.-2-5.3, 5.-2-29, 6.-1-2 and 7.-1-1; and

WHEREAS, §247(3) of the General Municipal Law provides that the acquisition of interests or rights in real property, including by easement, for the preservation of open spaces is a public purpose and that such acquisition requires a public hearing subject to due notice; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution of the Town Board, a public hearing was scheduled on the acquisition for the furtherance of the recreational trail project, and notice of said public hearing was duly advertised in the official newspaper of the Town and posted on the Town Clerk’s signboard; and

WHEREAS, said public hearing was duly held on the 19th day of September, 2024 at 6:05 p.m. and all parties in attendance were permitted an opportunity to speak on behalf of or in opposition to said proposed acquisition; and

WHEREAS, said public hearing was continued on the 10th day of October, 2024 at 6:05 p.m., and all parties in attendance were again permitted an opportunity to speak on behalf of or in opposition to said proposed acquisition; and

WHEREAS, said public hearing was continued on the 14th day of November, 2024 at 6:05 p.m., and all parties in attendance were again permitted an opportunity to speak on behalf of or in opposition to said proposed acquisition; and

WHEREAS, environmental review of the Project was completed on December 15th, 2016, by Resolution #191 (2016) of the Town Board issuing a negative declaration;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Dryden does hereby accept from the Village of Freeville the granting of an easement over tax parcel numbers 3.-2-4, 3.-2-5.1, 3.-2-5.2, 3.-2-5.3, 5.-2-29, 6.-1-2 and 7.-1-1, as more specifically set

forth in that certain form of easement between the Village of Freeville and Town of Dryden, a copy of which is annexed hereto, to serve as public trail and parkland; and be it further

RESOLVED that the Town Supervisor, upon review and approval by the Attorney for the Town as to form, is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to accept said easement for the Dryden Rail Trail Phase 2 project, PIN 395071.

CERTIFICATION

I, Bambi Avery, hereby certify that I am the Town Clerk of the Town of Dryden and that the foregoing constitutes a true, correct and complete copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Town Board of the Town of Dryden at a meeting held at Dryden Town Hall, 93 E. Main Street, Dryden, NY on the 14th day of November, 2024. Said resolution was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Supervisor Leifer	_____
Deputy Supervisor Lamb	_____
Councilmember Buck	_____
Councilmember Dravis	_____
Councilmember Vargas-Mendez	_____

Dated: November 14, 2024

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Bambi Avery, Town Clerk