



## TOWN OF MARBLETOWN

A regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Marbletown was convened in a public session of the Town Hall, 1925 Lucas Ave Cottekill, New York on November 15, 2022, at 6:00 o'clock P.M. local time. The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Rich Parete, and, upon roll being called, the following were:

PRESENT:

ABSENT:

The following Resolution was offered by \_\_\_\_\_ and seconded by \_\_\_\_\_:

### **RESOLUTION # -2022 ULSTER COUNTY HOUSING SMART COMMUNITIES INITIATIVE**

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Marbletown (hereinafter “local government”) believes that rising housing and rental costs and a lack of diverse housing opportunities for all community members pose a significant challenge to the members of our community; and

**WHEREAS**, affordable housing is defined as housing in which the occupant is paying no more than 30% of monthly or annual income for housing costs, including utilities; and

**WHEREAS**, ensuring there are affordable housing options for all community members is a key responsibility of the elected officials of the Town and a critical component of creating a healthy, sustainable, and prosperous community; and

**WHEREAS**, rising housing and rental costs and a lack of diverse housing opportunities for all community members is in part due to the demand for housing far exceeding the supply of new affordable and workforce housing being developed in the community; and

**WHEREAS**, a long-term commitment by the Town to review and approve new affordable and workforce housing projects is a critical strategy for ensuring there are affordable housing options for all community members; and

**WHEREAS**, working toward housing solutions is a priority for the well-being of the local residents, the economy, and community sustainability; and

**WHEREAS**, we believe that our response to housing challenges provides us with an opportunity to improve housing opportunities and community wellbeing for all community members, and to build livable, affordable, and housing-smart communities,

**IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED** that Town of Marbletown, in order to meet local housing needs, adopts the following commitments as part of joining the Ulster County Housing Smart Communities Initiative. These include the following six elements:

- 1) Join the program and engage the community
- 2) Designate a Housing Smart Community coordinator to
- 3) Form a housing task force or designate an existing official housing-related body of the Town to serve as the group committed to the program
- 4) Register for the program on the program website
- 5) Establish a community outreach and educational campaign on the importance of developing a range of housing options
- 6) Commit to implementing a set of prioritized Housing Smart Actions