

DRAFT RESOLUTION 2023-11

ULSTER COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL

Adoption of the 2020 Adjusted Urban Area Boundary and Metropolitan Planning Area for the Ulster County Transportation Council

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Transportation Council (UCTC) has been designated by the Governor of the State of New York as the Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPO) responsible, together with the State, for the comprehensive, continuing, and cooperative transportation planning processes for the Ulster County portions of the Kingston, New Paltz, Ellenville, and Poughkeepsie-Newburgh NY Urban Areas; and

WHEREAS, the federal surface transportation programs that are the responsibility of the UCTC are authorized by the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA or 'Infrastructure Act') (PL 117-58, November 15, 2021); and

WHEREAS, Section 11201 of the Infrastructure Act establishes requirements for metropolitan transportation planning in 23 U.S.C. 134 and 49 U.S.C. 5303; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Census Bureau delineated new urban areas based on the 2020 Census, effective December 22, 2022; and,

WHEREAS, this delineation indicated that all or part of the Kingston, New Paltz, Ellenville, and Poughkeepsie-Newburgh NY Urban Areas were located in Ulster County; and

WHEREAS, Title 23 U.S.C. Section 134 permits that the boundaries of said areas may be adjusted by agreement of the Governor and the affected Metropolitan Planning Organizations; and

WHEREAS, Title 23 U.S.C. Section 134 states that the Metropolitan Planning Area shall encompass the existing Urban Area and the contiguous area expected to become urbanized within 20-years and may encompass the entire metropolitan statistical area as defined by the U.S. Census Bureau; and

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Transportation Council, in coordination with the New York State Department of Transportation, will redraw its Metropolitan Planning Area to be consistent with those areas previously included in the Census 2010 Urban Area Boundary that are contiguous to and within the Ulster County boundary, however excluding 7 Census blocks in Greene County that are no longer included in the Census 2020 Urban Area Boundary;

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Transportation Council has adjusted the boundary of the Urban Area located in Ulster County to better facilitate the metropolitan transportation planning process and the use of federal funding within its Metropolitan Planning Area; and

WHEREAS, the Adjusted Urban Area Boundary and redrawn Metropolitan Planning Area includes the Kingston, New Paltz, Ellenville, and Poughkeepsie-Newburgh NY Urban Areas located in Ulster County; and

WHEREAS, the designation of the Adjusted Urban Area Boundary and Metropolitan Planning Area must be approved by appropriate local officials; now therefore be it

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RESOLVED, that the Ulster County Transportation Council approves the Adjusted Urban Area Boundary as shown in the attached map; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Ulster County Transportation Council affirms that its Metropolitan Planning Area encompasses the entirety of Ulster County.

CERTIFICATE, the undersigned, duly qualified and Secretary of the Ulster County Transportation Council, certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted at a meeting on November 28, 2023.

Date

By _____
Lance MacMillan, P.E., Secretary,
Ulster County Transportation Council

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**Attachment 1: UCTC Adjusted Urban Area Boundary and Metropolitan Planning Area
Boundary**

