

**Town of Hillsdale**

**Resolution Demonstrating Public Support and  
Authorizing A Request of Funds For  
Planned Investment and Revitalization of Hamlet Park**

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Hillsdale Hamlet Park is located in the center of the hamlet and serves as an important community resources and gathering space, a hub of activity and an important component of the Hamlet’s Revitalization objectives.; and

**WHEREAS** the Hamlet Park facilities are dated and not seen significant investment in over 20 years. The Town undertook a planning exercise to examine community needs, revisit the vision for the park to identify revitalization needs. The Town conducted a community survey, a series of public workshops, and other outreach and engagement activities in 2020. Over 200 responses were received to the Community Survey which informed a Master Plan for Hamlet Park “Revisoning Hamlet Park”; and

**WHEREAS**, the NYS Office of Parks, Recreation & Historic Preservation (OPRHP) is accepting applications for the Environmental Protection Fund Grants Program for Parks, Preservation & Heritage (EPF) program through the 2022 Consolidated Funding Application (CFA) Round 12 process; and,

**WHEREAS**, EPF grant funding is available for the acquisition, planning, development and improvement of parks, historic properties and heritage areas located within New York State. OPRHP will reimburse up to 50% of eligible project costs; and

**WHEREAS**, NYS Environmental Facilities Corporation (NYSEDFC) also has grant funding for inclusion of green infrastructure practices through the Green Innovation Grant Program (GIGP). NYSEFC will fund up to 75% of eligible project costs. The EFC considers a communities Median Household income and has discretion to adjust the rate of reimbursement, and

**WHEREAS** The Town estimates the cost of the planned improvements at approximately \$1.7 million and proposes requesting approximately \$750,000 from NYSEFC and \$500,000 from OPRHP EPF. These costs may be refined/adjusted with the completion of the funding request. The Town if awarded funds is committed to provide the match in cash to its General Fund, Recreational Trust and ARPA funds; and

**WHEREAS**, the grant application process recommends that the governing body of the applicant authorize submission of the application and related actions;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Town Board hereby demonstrates its support for the request of funds from OPRHP and GIGP and pledges its financial support for the planned improvements and authorizes and directs the Supervisor to submit the application through the CFA process and to act in connection with the submission of the application, including execution of all required certifications and forms and to provide such additional information as may be required.