

At a regular meeting of the Board Trustees (the “Board”) of the Olean Public Library (the “Library”) held at the Olean Public Library, 134 North 2nd Street, Olean, New York 14760 on the 16th day of April, 2025:

PRESENT:

Lanna Waterman, President
Reed McElfresh, Vice President
Ann Tenglund, Secretary
Patty Shumway, Finance Officer
Laura Whitford, Trustee
Jennifer Mahar, Trustee
Gretchen Copella, Trustee

ABSENT:

Laura Whitford presented the following resolution and duly moved that it be adopted and was seconded by Reed McElfresh:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD AS FOLLOWS:

RESOLUTION ADOPTED PURSUANT TO THE NEW YORK STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW ACT DETERMINING THAT THE RENOVATION AND EXPANSION OF THE LIBRARY BUILDING IS A TYPE II ACTION AND NOT SUBJECT TO FURTHER REVIEW.

WHEREAS, the Library is the sponsor of a proposed project which includes renovation and expansion of the existing Olean Public Library building at 134 North 2nd Street (a/k/a 209 Laurens Street), Olean, New York 14760 (the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, the Project will include the expansion of the first floor of the Library building to add additional usable space for Library purposes, including play space, multipurpose rooms, and lobby space; the construction of a partial second floor with office space, meeting rooms, and a browsing lounge; and the construction of a partial basement for storage purposes, which will collectively add approximately 7,500 square feet to the Library building; and

WHEREAS, the Board now desires to comply with the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (“SEQRA”) and the implementing regulations in 6 NYCRR Part 617 (the “Regulations”) with respect to the Project; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to New York State Department of Environmental Conservation guidance in *The SEQRA Handbook*, educational institutions for purposes of SEQRA include all libraries chartered by the New York State Board of Regents; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Regulations, the Board has considered the Project in light of the actions included on the Type I list specified in section 617.4 of the Regulations and in light of the actions included on the Type II list specified in section 617.5 of the Regulations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board as follows:

1. Based upon an understanding of the Project as explained to the Board and contained in materials describing the Project, the Board’s knowledge of the Library building, and such other investigation of the Project as the Board has deemed appropriate, the Board makes the following findings and determinations:

2. The Library is chartered by the New York State Board of Regents and is an educational institution for SEQRA purposes; and

3. The Board has determined that the Project does not meet or exceed any of the thresholds on the Type I list specified in section 617.4 of the Regulations; and

4. The Board has determined that the Project constitutes a “Type II action” (as the quoted term is defined in the Regulations) because it falls clearly within the ambit of an action included on the Type II list specified in section 617.5 of the Regulations:

- a. “routine activity of an educational institution. including expansion of existing facilities by less than 10,000 square feet of gross floor area” (§ 617.5(c)(10)); and

5. The Board hereby determines that the Project is not subject to further review under SEQRA; and

6. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

Lanna Waterman, President	VOTING <u>Yes</u>
Reed McElfresh, Vice President	VOTING <u>Yes</u>
Ann Tenglund, Secretary	VOTING <u>Yes</u>
Patty Shumway, Finance Officer	VOTING <u>Yes</u>
Laura Whitford, Trustee	VOTING <u>Yes</u>
Jennifer Mahar, Trustee	VOTING <u>Yes</u>
Gretchen Copella, Trustee	VOTING <u>Yes</u>

The Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

Signed: Ann M. Tenglund Dated: April 21, 2025