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The Honorable Thomas DePietro,
Common Council President
City of Hudson
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RE: Referral #23-029 – City of Hudson Local Law No. E of 2023

Dear Mr. DePietro:

Pursuant to the provisions of New York State General Municipal Law (NYSGML) §239-1 and §239-m, please find the Columbia County Planning Board (CCPB) recommendation concerning the adoption of the proposed Local Law No. E of 2023, a Local Law Amending the City of Hudson Community Character Law.

Pursuant to NYSGML §239-1 and §239-m, the CCPB reviews proposed actions for intercommunity or county-wide considerations and shall recommend Approval, Modification or Disapproval of the proposed action, or report that the proposed action has no significant county-wide or intercommunity impact. Upon recommendation of Modification or Disapproval, "...the referring body shall not act contrary to such recommendation except by a vote of majority plus one of all the members thereof". The CCPB may make informal comments to the referring body on the proposed action with any of the recommendations made.

Recommendation: The CCPB finds that this proposed action has no significant county-wide or intercommunity impacts associated with it. Therefore, the City of Hudson Common Council may take final action with a simple majority vote. However, the following informal comments are offered for consideration:

Comments:

1. Business Expansion: It is reasonable to expect, that a business with multiple successful establishments, and continued growth, may wish to expand and open additional shops, resulting in an established City business later being defined as a "Retail Formula Use". The CCPB suggests consideration be given to the options for that existing use in terms of continuance once the status changes.

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2. Application Process: The CCPB suggests that consideration be given to reviewing the application forms a business must complete and submit prior to operating in Hudson. Determine if it may be prudent to incorporate question(s), attestations, etc. in order to verify the number of existing retail shops in operation.

Please note that within thirty (30) days after final action is taken, the City of Hudson's Common Council shall file a report of the final action it has taken with the CCPB. Please contact Columbia County Planning Department at 518.828.3375 or patrice.perry@columbiacountyny.com for additional information.

Sincerely yours,



Timothy Stalker
Chair

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