

RESOLUTION NO. ____
July 16, 2024

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ENDORSING THE HUDSON DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION'S APPLICATION TO NYS HOMES AND COMMUNITY RENEWAL FOR FUNDING UNDER THE NEW YORK MAIN STREET PROGRAM

WHEREAS, The Hudson Development Corporation is applying for \$300,000 in financial assistance through the 2024 Consolidated Funding Application under the New York Main Street program to adapt and reuse the John L. Edwards School (JLE), located at 360 State Street in Hudson, NY; and

WHEREAS, The Hudson City School District (HCSD, current property owner) closed JLE in June 2018 and it has remained vacant for the past 5 years; and

WHEREAS, The City of Hudson Common Council President and Mayor commissioned and completed a feasibility study in 2019 recommending the adaptive reuse of JLE as a "civic hub" serving all of Hudson by providing the space and support for key services to the community such as but not limited to daycare, youth and senior facilities, continuing education and government offices; and

WHEREAS, The Hudson Development Corporation is currently in contract with HCSD to purchase JLE and is developing plans to restore and reopen JLE as a civic hub based on the needs identified in the 2019 feasibility study and new ideas from the community; and

WHEREAS, the New York Main Street grant will support The Hudson Development Corporation's efforts to bring a vacant building, the John L. Edwards School, back online as a building for the community, to adaptively reuse the building, with intent to house daycare, youth and senior facilities, career development and enablement programs, and as a satellite campus for continuing education; and

WHEREAS, the proposed funding will contribute to ongoing community revitalization efforts; and

WHEREAS, the grant application requires that the applicant obtain the approval and endorsement of the governing body of the municipality in which the project will be located;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by this body that the Common Council of Hudson hereby does approve and endorse the application of The Hudson Development Corporation for grant funding for a project known as "The JLE Adaptive Reuse Project" located within this community.

This resolution shall take effect on July 16, 2024, following its adoption by the Common Council.

Introduced: _____

Seconded: _____

Approved: _____
Kamal Johnson, Mayor

Dated: _____