RESOLUTION ADOPTING SEQRA NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR SARATOGA SPRINGS COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE

RESOLUTION NO. BY: SECONDED:

WHEREAS, the Saratoga Springs City Council appointed a Comprehensive Plan Committee in 2013 for the purpose of updating the City's 2001 Comprehensive Plan (the "Plan Update"); and

WHEREAS, over the course of 19 months, the Committee held 19 public meetings, including four public workshops, a two-day open house, numerous focus groups and a formal Public Hearing and received hundreds of comments from a large number of citizens and community organizations both in person and through written communication; and

WHEREAS, the Committee forwarded the draft Plan Update entitled "November Draft", together with a copy of 53 possible amendments to the November Draft, to the City Council as its final work product in December 2014; and

WHEREAS, the City Council discussed the November Draft and the 53 potential revisions at four workshops and reached a consensus on the revisions which was incorporated into the May 2015 Draft Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that the action is a Type I Action under the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA"); and

WHEREAS, the City Council is the only agency that has jurisdiction by law to make a discretionary decision to fund, approve or directly undertake the Comprehensive Plan Update and, therefore, is the only Involved Agency under SEQRA for the Plan Update and has assumed the duties of SEQRA Lead Agency; and

WHEREAS, the City Council, as SEQRA Lead Agency, has reviewed and fully considered the proposed Plan Update and Part 1 of the Full Environmental Assessment Form ("EAF") and has completed Part 2 of the EAF; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that the Plan Update will not result in any large or important impacts and, therefore, is one which will not have a significant impact on the environment;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that based on the "Reasons Supporting this Determination" discussed in the attached SEQRA Negative Declaration - Notice of Determination of Non-Significance ("Negative Declaration"), the City Council hereby finds that the Plan Update will not have a significant impact on the environment and authorizes the filing of the Negative Declaration substantially in the form attached to this Resolution.

The question of adoption of this Resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call which resulted as follows:

AYES: NAYS: ABSENT:

ROLL CALL

AYES:_____

NAYS:_____ ABSENT:____

The Resolution was declared duly adopted.

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