

PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 164 - 2021

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY OF NASSAU TO ENDORSE  
THE APPLICATION OF THE TRUST FOR PUBLIC LAND FOR A GRANT FOR THE  
EMPIRE STATE TRAIL EXTENSION PROJECT

WHEREAS, the Empire State Trail recently completed the 750-mile trail in December, 2020 that connects the New York/Canadian border to New York City, providing a multi-use path that connects people to nature across the state; and

WHEREAS, in 2021, the Trust for Public Land awarded a contract to complete a 30% design and engineering study of a trail extension to the Empire State Trail to run from Eisenhower Park to Bethpage State Park within the territorial jurisdiction of the County of Nassau; and

WHEREAS, the Trust for Public Land is now ready to focus on completing the design and engineering study as well as producing construction level documentation to achieve shovel ready status for the Long Island Greenway; and

WHEREAS, the Trust for Public Land is applying to the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation (OPRHP) for a grant under Title 9 of the Environmental Protection Act of 1993 for the Long Island Greenway to run from Eisenhower Park to Bethpage State Park within the territorial jurisdiction of the County of Nassau; and

WHEREAS, as a requirement under the rules of this program, the Trust for Public Land must obtain the “approval/ endorsement of the governing body of the municipality in which the project will be located”;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that this Legislature does hereby endorse the application for the Trust for Public Land for a grant under Title 9 of the Environmental Protection Act of 1993 for a park project known as the Empire State Trail Extension and located within Nassau County; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this Legislature, hereby finds and determines that this resolution constitutes a Type II Action pursuant to Title 6 NYCRR Part 617.5(C)(27) as the project involves the adoption of regulations, policies, procedures and local legislative decisions in connection with routine or continuing agency administration and management.

