

RESOLUTION NO. 359 -2013, CLARIFYING RULES FOR DISTRIBUTION OF PUBLIC SAFETY REVENUE SHARING MONIES TO TOWNS AND VILLAGES

WHEREAS, Suffolk County Charter § C4-6(J) requires that a portion of the County's public safety sales tax revenue be allocated to the towns and villages located outside the Suffolk County Police District; and

WHEREAS, Suffolk County Resolution Nos. 1194-1995 and 688-2000 require the towns and villages to verify that their "revenue sharing" funds are used for public safety purposes; and

WHEREAS, certain provisions of Resolution Nos. 1194-1995 and 688-2000 are confusing and have been interpreted in a way that frustrates the resolution's original legislative intent and unnecessarily delays the distribution of revenue sharing monies to the towns and villages; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to clarify the rules for the distribution of public safety revenue sharing monies to the towns and villages; now, therefore be it

1st RESOLVED, Resolution Nos. 1194-1995 and 688-2000 are hereby repealed, effective January 1, 2014; and be it further

2nd RESOLVED, that beginning in fiscal year 2014, towns and villages that are budgeted to receive public safety revenue sharing monies in the County operating budget shall file an accounting with the County Comptroller no later than March 31st, which verifies that the town or village's public safety expenditures in the prior fiscal year exceeded the amount of revenue sharing that was allocated to it in the prior year's County operating budget; and be it further

3rd RESOLVED, that beginning in fiscal year 2014, a town or village will be eligible to receive the revenue sharing monies allocated to it in that year's County operating budget at any point after it files the accounting of its prior year's public safety expenditure as required by the 2nd Resolved clause herein; and be it further

4th RESOLVED, that this Legislature, being the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) lead agency, hereby finds and determines that this resolution constitutes a Type II action pursuant to Section 617.5(c)(20), (21) and (27) of Title 6 of the NEW YORK CODE OF RULES AND REGULATIONS (6 NYCRR) and within the meaning of Section 8-0109(2) of the NEW YORK ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION LAW as a promulgation of regulations, rules, policies, procedures, and legislative decisions in connection with continuing agency administration, management and information collection, and the Suffolk County Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) is hereby directed to circulate any appropriate SEQRA notices of determination of non-applicability or non-significance in accordance with this resolution.

DATED: May 7, 2013

APPROVED BY:

/s/ Steven Bellone
County Executive of Suffolk County

Date: May 15, 2013