#### **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPORT – March 2024**

#### KINDERHOOK BUSINESS UPDATE

# **Vacant Commercial/Mixed Use: [3]**

1 Chatham Street, 6 Broad Street, 59 Broad Street

## Partially Occupied Commercial/Mixed Use: [1]

5 Hudson Street

#### **New Business Openings**

Spring, 2024 Hamrah's Seven Spice 3 Albany Avenue

Spring/Summer, 2024 Isola Wine Bar 16 Hudson Street

#### **PROMOTION**

- Ongoing social-media re-posts for local businesses
- Distributed rack cards and brochures at village locations.
- Designed and/or forwarded event graphics for weekly village email blasts.
- Received information from Kinderhook businesses for Hudson Valley Film Commission listings.
- Met with graphic designer to plan revision of "Welcome to Kinderhook" 2024 rack card.
- Revised information for 2024 "Welcome to Kinderhook" rack card of businesses and attractions and submitted to graphic designer.

#### **BUSINESS AND KBPA LIAISON**

- Continued to provide updates on available commercial properties.
- Liaisoned with KBPA on planning and promotion for KBPA events.
- Provided signage tips to Hamrah's Lebanese Foods.
- Proposed wedding-venue concept to CCHS and Kinderhook businesses. Preliminary discussions to take place in April 2024.

## **GRANTS SUMMARY**

 Continued to develop/revise OK Apple Trail project with Super Stories. Awaiting announcement of HRVG Heritage Sponsorship Grants availability.

## **GRANT RESEARCH/SUPPORT/APPLICATION**

- Continued review of grant availability and grant eligibility.
- Researched information from Dark Sky International re: LED street lighting.

# **CURRENT (ONGOING):**

# **Kinderhook Creek Kayak Launch Project**

 Installation of creek-access improvements in Kinderhook and Valatie scheduled for completion in spring 2024.

## **Local Waterfront Revitalization Plan (LWRP)**

## (Village of Kinderhook and Village of Valatie Collaborative Project

- Reviewed LWRP draft documents and submitted corrections and revisions.
- Attended LWRP committee meeting.

#### **NY Forward**

- Awaiting announcements of awards.

# **ECONOMIC-DEVELOPMENT RELATED INFRASTRUCTURE**

## Albany-Hudson Electric Trail, Village Bike Rack

- Awaiting action on bike rack proposal in Village Square at Kinderhook. Met with D. Waterston to discuss hardscaping.

## **Parking and Traffic Issues**

- Researched options for purchase of new barrier planters for trough area.

#### **Village Website**

- Supplied Village of Kinderhook–related photos to deputy clerk.
- Submitted FAQs for website for Economic Development