<u>Village of Dolgeville to Hold Third Local Planning Committee Meeting for the</u> NY Forward Strategic Investment Plan

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August 9, 2023, Dolgeville, NY – The Local Planning Committee (LPC) for the Dolgeville New York Forward (NYF) program will hold its third meeting on **Wednesday, August 16, 2023**, from **4:30-6:30 pm** at the Basset Health Care Center Community Room, Dolgeville, NY 13329. The meeting is open to observers from the public, with an opportunity for public comment at the end of the meeting.

The agenda for this meeting includes a summary of public engagement results to date, a draft vision statement and goals for the Strategic Investment Plan; a review of proposed projects, and discussion of project evaluation criteria.

The Local Planning Committee (LPC) is co-chaired by Mayor Mary Puznowski and REDC Member Dr. Renee Shevat and consists of thirteen other members representing a diverse cross section of the Dolgeville community.

The Village of Dolgeville was selected by the Mohawk Valley Regional Economic Development Council (REDC) to receive a \$2.25 million award from New York State Governor Kathy Hochul through the NY Forward (NYF) program. Investment from this program will allow Dolgeville to develop a Strategic Investment Plan and implement key catalytic projects to advance a community vision for downtown improvements. Projects selected for funding will transform the community and support a vibrant local economy. More information can be found at: https://www.villageofdolgeville.org/ny-forward-1

NY Forward was launched in 2022 to support a more equitable downtown recovery for New York's smaller communities, with a focus on hamlets, villages, and neighborhood-scale commercial centers. NY Forward is led by the New York State Department of State, in close partnership with Empire State Development, NYS Homes and Community Renewal, and New York State Energy Research and Development Authority. For more information, please visit https://www.ny.gov/programs/ny-forward.