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City of Kingston “Downtown Revitalization Initiative” Kick-Off Scheduled for Monday, October 30th

Date: October 30, 2017

Time: 6:00-8:00pm

Location: City Hall, located at 420 Broadway

KINGSTON, NY - Mayor Steve Noble is pleased to announce the kick-off event for the Downtown Revitalization Initiative (DRI) program in the City of Kingston, scheduled for Monday, October 30th, 6:00pm-8:00pm, at Kingston’s City Hall, located at 420 Broadway.

The event will include a summary of the New York State Downtown Revitalization Initiative, including goals and expectations of the program, an overview of Kingston’s initial proposal and potential projects in the Stockade District, and an outline of the DRI planning process. Attendees will also have an opportunity to participate in small group feedback sessions. These sessions will be interactive and will be facilitated by staff from the City of Kingston and the consulting team assigned by New York State to the City for this project including VHB, WXY, and Arch Street Communications.

The City of Kingston was selected as the winner of the \$10 million Downtown Revitalization Initiative in the Mid-Hudson region. The City was described as having “...an ideal combination of recent strategic investments, shovel-ready future opportunities, involved anchor institutions and partners, recent infrastructure improvements, and supportive policies and plans to jump-start the DRI planning process.”

The October 30th event will be one of many community engagement events and activities throughout the DRI process. Subsequent community meetings will be announced in the coming weeks and will be held at various days, times and locations to enable all stakeholders to give input into the plan.

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About Governor Cuomo’s Downtown Revitalization Initiative

Now in its second year, Governor Cuomo’s Downtown Revitalization Initiative (DRI), is transforming downtown neighborhoods into vibrant communities where the next generation of New Yorkers will want to live, work and raise families. Participating communities are nominated by the state’s ten Regional Economic Development Councils (REDCs) based on the downtown’s potential for transformation, and each community is awarded \$10 million to develop a downtown strategic investment plan and implement key catalytic projects that advance the community’s vision for revitalization. For more information, visit: <https://www.ny.gov/programs/downtown-revitalization-initiative>