

**Business of the Village Board  
Village of Saranac Lake**

SUBJECT: LEAF Application

Date: 01/10/22

DEPT OF ORIGIN: Trustee Little

Bill # 4-2022

DATE SUBMITTED: 01/06/22

EXHIBITS:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Village Attorney

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Village Administration

EXPENDITURE  
REQUIRED: \$

AMOUNT  
BUDGETED: \$

APPROPRIATION  
REQUIRED: \$

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SUMMARY STATEMENT:

Resolution authorizing Village staff to submit an application to the North Elba Local Enhancement and Advancement Fund (LEAF) for the creation of a façade and site improvement program for businesses within the North Elba portion of the River Street & Lake Flower Avenue corridors.

MOVED BY: Shapiro      SECONDED BY: Brunette

VOTE ON ROLL CALL:

MAYOR RABIDEAU

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TRUSTEE SHAPIRO

yes

TRUSTEE BRUNETTE

yes

TRUSTEE CATILLAZ

yes

TRUSTEE LITTLE

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**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION TO THE NORTH  
ELBA LOCAL ENHANCEMENT AND ADVANCEMENT FUND**

WHEREAS, ROOST has announced the third round of funding through the North Elba Local Enhancement and Advancement Fund (LEAF) for programs, activities, and facilities that will have direct benefits to our communities and improve the quality of place for both residents and visitors; and

WHEREAS, grant approvals of full or partial awards will involve a two-step process starting with the North Elba LEAF committee reviewing all eligible applications and making recommendations to the North Elba Town Board (NETB) for final approval; and

WHEREAS, municipalities are eligible to submit applications by the deadline of February 1, 2022 for the third round of funding; and

WHEREAS, the Village has implemented several grant programs to improve downtown properties and there is a desire to extend similar opportunities to businesses outside of the downtown district; and

WHEREAS, the program guidelines from the DRI Energize Downtown Program will be adapted to create a new program for the River Street/Lake Flower Avenue business corridor;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Village of Saranac Lake Board of Trustees authorizes the Community Development Director to submit an application to the North Elba LEAF program seeking funding for the creation of a façade and site improvement program to benefit properties within the North Elba portion of the River Street corridor and the Lake Flower Avenue corridor.

## Outline of Proposed Façade and Site Improvement Program for River Street & Lake Flower Avenue Corridors

**Purpose:** Expand some elements of the Energize Downtown Program to the properties within the River Street and Lake Flower Avenue Corridor.

**Eligible Improvements:**

Category	Description	Maximum Award	Minimum Match
<b>Building &amp; Site Improvements</b>	Exterior building improvements such as painting, brick repair, window & door replacement, awnings, decks and storefront renovations. Site improvements including construction of walkways, outdoor seating areas, decks, patios, and landscaping.	\$25,000	50%
<b>Details Matter</b>	High quality building or site enhancements including signage, lighting, awnings, outdoor furniture, publicly accessible art installations, etc. that improve the streetscape.	\$10,000	50%

**Ineligible Expenses:**

- Property acquisition
- Equipment
- Operating expenses
- Parking lot or drive-thru improvements
- General maintenance or repairs

**Target Number of Projects:** 3-5

**Grant Request:** \$109,250

**Budget Detail**

Line Item	Amount
Building & Site Improvements x 3	\$75,000
Details Matter Projects x 2	\$20,000
Engineering Services* (15%)	\$14,250
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$109,250</b>

*\*Draft scope of work for each project and inspection*