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PRESS ADVISORY

Schenectady City Council Meeting will include announcement of New York Department of State Local Government Efficiency Grant

- WHAT:** Announcement and presentation of a multi-city, collaborative pilot project funded by the NYS Department of State for the cities of Schenectady, Troy, Amsterdam, and Gloversville. In partnership with the Center for Technology in Government (CTG) at the University at Albany, these Capital Region cities are working together to formalize information sharing as it relates to code enforcement information (properties, property owners, violations, etc).
- WHO:** Mayor Gary McCarthy, City of Schenectady
Derek Werthmuller, Director of Technology Innovation & Services, Center for Technology in Government
Meghan Cook, Program Director, Center for Technology in Government
- WHEN:** Monday, May 18th 2015 at 5:30pm
- WHERE:** Schenectady City Hall, Room 110
105 Jay St.
Schenectady, NY
- WHY:** The city of Schenectady received a grant to collaboratively develop an information sharing platform with the Center for Technology in Government, designed to promote information sharing so that the cities can work together to address urban blight in the region.

Throughout New York State, local leaders are working together to address the problem of urban blight. Sharing information among cities has been recognized as a powerful tool in combating the increasingly persistent and costly problem of urban blight which consumes endless resources and directly affects public safety and economic development. The "Shared Code Enforcement Information Resource Pilot

Project” will help the capital region and cities throughout NYS build the necessary policy, management, and technology infrastructures

At this City Council meeting, representatives from the Center for Technology in Government will present the results of a preliminary project with the City of Schenectady regarding information needs as they relate to code enforcement and a high level summary of the project over the next two years.

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