## Laws, Rules & Government Services Committee Regular Meeting Minutes

DATE & TIME:	December 12, 2024 – 4:00 PM
LOCATION(S):	KL Binder Library, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston
	Livestreamed at https://www.youtube.com/@UlsterCountyLegislature/streams
PRESIDING OFFICER:	Chair Kovacs
LEGISLATIVE STAFF:	Jay Mahler, Deputy Clerk & Tyron Rogers, Technical Support Specialist
MEMBERS PRESENT:	Legislators Criswell, Hansut, Harmon, Levine & Uchitelle
MEMBERS ABSENT:	Legislators Gavaris & Kitchen
<b>QUORUM PRESENT:</b>	Yes
PRESIDING OFFICER: LEGISLATIVE STAFF: MEMBERS PRESENT: MEMBERS ABSENT:	Livestreamed at <u>https://www.youtube.com/@UlsterCountyLegislature/streams</u> Chair Kovacs Jay Mahler, Deputy Clerk & Tyron Rogers, Technical Support Specialist Legislators Criswell, Hansut, Harmon, Levine & Uchitelle Legislators Gavaris & Kitchen

**OTHER ATTENDEES:** Legislators Collins, Nolan and McCollough; Legislative Counsel Ragucci and Minority Counsel Pascale; Deputy County Executive Jamie Capuano – UC Executive's Office

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Chair Kovacs called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM and asked those present to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion No. 1:	Motion to Approve the Minutes of the October 30 <sup>th</sup> Special and November 14 <sup>th</sup> Regular Meetings
Motion Made By:	Legislator Levine
Motion Seconded By:	Legislator Harmon
Voting in Favor:	Legislators Criswell, Hansut, Harmon, Kovacs, Levine & Uchitelle
Voting Against:	None
Votes in Favor:	6
Votes Against:	0
Disposition:	<b>Minutes Approved</b>

Resolutions for the December 17, 2024 Session of the Legislature:

**Resolution No. 553** – Adopting Proposed Local Law No. 9 Of 2024, A Local Law Providing Real Property Tax Exemption Of The County Portion Of The Real Property Taxation And Special Ad Valorem Levies For The Creation Of New Accessory Dwelling Units In Accordance New York State Real Property Tax Law Article 4 Title 2 Private Property Section 421-P\*2

**Resolution Summary** – This Resolution adopts Proposed Local Law No. 9 of 2024, A Local Law Providing Real Property Tax Exemption Of The County Portion Of The Real Property Taxation And Special Ad Valorem Levies For The Creation Of New Accessory Dwelling Units In Accordance New York State Real Property Tax Law Article 4 Title 2 Private Property Section 421-P\*2.

Motion No. 2:	Motion to Postpone Resolution No. 553
Motion Made By:	Legislator Uchitelle
<b>Motion Seconded By:</b>	Legislator Harmon

Voting in Favor:	Legislators Criswell, Hansut, Harmon, Kovacs, Levine & Uchitelle
Voting Against:	None
Votes in Favor:	6
Votes Against:	0
Disposition:	Resolution Postponed

**Resolution No. 682** – Calling Organizational Meeting Of 2025

**Resolution Summary** – This Resolution authorizes the Organizational Meeting of the Ulster County Legislature to be held on Tuesday, January 14, 2025 at 6:30 PM in Legislative Chambers, County Office Building, 244 Fair Street, Kingston, NY.

Motion No. 3: Motion Made By: Motion Seconded By:	<b>Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 682</b> Legislator Uchitelle Legislator Hansut
Voting in Favor:	Legislators Criswell, Hansut, Harmon, Kovacs, Levine & Uchitelle
Voting Against:	None
Votes in Favor:	6
Votes Against:	0
Disposition:	Resolution Adopted

**Resolution No. 683** – Adopting Proposed Local Law No. 11 Of 2024, A Local Law Amending The Ulster County Charter, (Local Law No. 2 Of 2006), And Amending The Administrative Code For The County Of Ulster, (Local Law No. 10 Of 2008), To Modify Various Provisions Relating To Certain Departments And Duties

**Resolution Summary** – This Resolution adopts Proposed Local Law No. 11 of 2024 (A Local Law Amending The Ulster County Charter, (Local Law No. 2 Of 2006), And Amending The Administrative Code For The County Of Ulster, (Local Law No. 10 Of 2008), To Modify Various Provisions Relating To Certain Departments And Duties).

Motion No. 4: Motion Made By: Motion Seconded By:	Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 683 Legislator Hansut Legislator Uchitelle
Voting in Favor:	Legislators Criswell, Hansut, Harmon, Kovacs, Levine & Uchitelle
Voting Against:	None
Votes in Favor:	6
Votes Against:	0
Disposition:	Resolution Adopted

**Resolution No. 684** – Adopting Proposed Local Law No. 14 Of 2024, A Local Law Amending The Code Of The County Of Ulster, Chapter 232 Living Wage, In Relation To Applicability And Compensation

**Resolution Summary** – This Resolution adopts Proposed Local Law No. 14 Of 2024, (A Local Law Amending The Code Of The County Of Ulster, Chapter 232 Living Wage, In Relation To Applicability And Compensation).

Motion No. 5:

Motion to Amend Proposed Local Law No. 14 of 2024, Section 3 A. to read as follows:

A. For every service contract entered on and after January 1, 2022, compensation for covered employees employed by covered employers shall be set in an amount no less than the living wage, in addition to retirement, health or other benefits received by the covered employee. Beginning on the effective date of this Local Law Beginning with every contract entered into or renewed thirty (30) days after the effective date hereof and beginning with the first pay period for County employees occurring thirty (30) days after the effective date hereof, and continuing thereafter, compensation for all Covered Employees employed by Covered Employers shall be compensated in an amount no less than the Living Wage, in addition to retirement, health or other benefits received by the Covered Employee.

Motion Made By:	Legislator Criswell
Motion Seconded By:	Legislator Uchitelle
Voting in Favor:	Legislators Criswell, Hansut, Harmon, Kovacs, Levine & Uchitelle
Voting Against:	None
Votes in Favor:	6
Votes Against:	0
Disposition:	<b>Amendment Adopted</b>
Motion No. 6:	Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 684 with Proposed Local Law No. 14 of 2024 As Amended
Motion Made By:	Legislator Criswell
Motion Seconded By:	Legislator Uchitelle
Voting in Favor:	Legislators Criswell, Hansut, Harmon, Kovacs, Levine & Uchitelle
Voting Against:	None
Votes in Favor:	6
Votes Against:	0
Disposition:	<b>Resolution Adopted with Proposed Local Law As Amended</b>

**Resolution No. 685** – Adopting Proposed Local Law No. 15 Of 2024, A Local Law Amending The Ulster County Charter And The Ulster County Administrative Code By Deleting Article XLIV From Each (Insurance Department), And Amending The Ulster County Charter And The Ulster County Administrative Code With Respect To Article XLIII (Safety Department)

**Resolution Summary** – This Resolution adopts Proposed Local Law No. 15 Of 2024, (A Local Law Amending The Ulster County Charter And The Ulster County Administrative Code By Deleting Article XLIV From Each (Insurance Department), And Amending The Ulster County Charter And The Ulster County Administrative Code With Respect To Article XLIII (Safety Department)).

Motion No. 7:	Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 685
Motion Made By:	Legislator Criswell
<b>Motion Seconded By:</b>	Legislator Levine

Voting in Favor:	Legislators Criswell, Hansut, Harmon, Levine & Uchitelle
Voting Against:	Legislator Kovacs
Votes in Favor:	5
Votes Against:	1
Disposition:	Resolution Adopted

**Resolution No. 686** – Adopting Proposed Local Law No. 16 Of 2024, A Local Law Amending The Ulster County Charter And The Ulster County Administrative Code By Renaming Article XVI From Department Of Purchasing To Department Of General Services

**Resolution Summary** – This Resolution adopts Proposed Local Law No. 16 Of 2024, (A Local Law Amending The Ulster County Charter And The Ulster County Administrative Code By Renaming Article XVI From Department Of Purchasing To Department Of General Services).

Motion No. 8: Motion Made By: Motion Seconded By:	Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 686 Legislator Uchitelle Legislator Harmon
Voting in Favor:	Legislators Criswell, Hansut, Harmon, Kovacs, Levine & Uchitelle
Voting Against:	None
Votes in Favor:	6
Votes Against:	0
Disposition:	Resolution Adopted

**Resolution No. 687** – Adopting Proposed Local Law No. 17 Of 2024, A Local Law Applying The Salary Revisions Pursuant To The 2025 Ulster County Budget To County Officers Serving For Fixed Terms

**Resolution Summary** – This Resolution adopts Proposed Local Law No. 17 Of 2024, (A Local Law Applying The Salary Revisions Pursuant To The 2025 Ulster County Budget To County Officers Serving For Fixed Terms).

Motion No. 9: Motion Made By: Motion Seconded By:	Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 687 Legislator Levine Legislator Uchitelle
Voting in Favor:	Legislators Criswell, Hansut, Harmon, Kovacs, Levine & Uchitelle
Voting Against:	None
Votes in Favor:	6
Votes Against:	0
Disposition:	Resolution Adopted

**Resolution No. 688** – Adopting Proposed Local Law No. 18 Of 2024, A Local Law Applying Salary Revisions for Certain Elected Ulster County Officials Serving For Fixed Terms

**Resolution Summary** – This Resolution adopts Proposed Local Law No. 18 Of 2024, (A Local Law Applying Salary Revisions for Certain Elected Ulster County Officials Serving For Fixed Terms.

Motion No. 10:Motion to Amend Proposed Local Law No. 18 of 2024 Section 4 to make the<br/>law operative on January 1, 2026

Motion Made By: Motion Seconded By:	Legislator Kovacs Legislator Hansut
Voting in Favor:	Legislators Hansut & Kovacs
Voting Against:	Legislators Criswell, Harmon, Levine & Uchitelle
Votes in Favor:	2
Votes Against:	4
Disposition:	Amendment Defeated

Chair Kovacs asked if there was any further discussion and hearing none called the question on adopting the Resolution.

Voting in Favor:	Legislators Criswell, Harmon, Levine & Uchitelle
Voting Against:	Legislators Hansut & Kovacs
Votes in Favor:	4
Votes Against:	2
Disposition:	Resolution Adopted

**Resolution No. 707** – Setting A Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 19 Of 2024, A Local Law Regulating The Use Of County Parking Lots, To Be Held On Tuesday, January 14, 2025 At 6:35 PM

**Resolution Summary** – This Resolution sets a public hearing on Proposed Local Law No. 19 of 2024 to be held on Tuesday, January 14, 2025 at 6:35 PM in the Legislative Chambers, Ulster County Office Building, 6t Floor, 244 Fair Street, Kingston, NY.

Motion No. 11: Motion Made By: Motion Seconded By:	Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 600 Legislator Uchitelle Legislator Harmon
Voting in Favor:	Legislators Criswell, Hansut, Harmon, Kovacs, Levine & Uchitelle
Voting Against:	None
Votes in Favor:	6
Votes Against:	0
Disposition:	Resolution Adopted

**Resolution No. 709** – Establishing A Policy For Legislator Public Accessibility

**Resolution Summary** – This Resolution establishes policies regarding the accessibility of Legislators to the public, including phone number requirements, communication guidelines, and privacy and security guidelines.

Motion No. 12: Motion Made By: Motion Seconded By:	<b>Motion to Postpone Resolution No. 601</b> Legislator Levine Legislator Hansut
Voting in Favor:	Legislators Criswell, Hansut, Harmon, Kovacs, Levine & Uchitelle
Voting Against:	None
Votes in Favor:	6
Votes Against:	0
Disposition:	Resolution Postponed

## **Forthcoming Resolutions**

- **Resolution No. 556** Amending The Rules Of Order As They Relate To Decorum At Legislative Session And Legislative Committee Meetings (*On December 17th Session Agenda*)
- Resolution No. 470 Setting A Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 10 Of 2024, A Local Law Amending The Code Of The County Of Ulster, Chapter 205 Food Service, Article II Use Of Disposable Polystyrene Foam, To Include Polypropylene Plastic, To Be Held On Tuesday, January 7, 2025 At 6:30 PM (*No Action Taken in Energy, Environment & Sustainability Committee on December 3<sup>rd</sup>*)

New Business	None
Old Business	None
Adjournment	
Motion Made By: Motion Seconded By Voting in Favor: Voting Against: Votes in Favor: Votes Against:	Legislator Uchitelle y: Legislator Levine Legislators Criswell, Hansut, Harmon, Kovacs, Levine & Uchitelle None 6 0
TIME: Respectfully Submit Approved:	5:10 PM Jay Mahler, Deputy Clerk February 13, 2025

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