

Recommending Purchase Of Additional Evacu-Trac Chairs To Provide For Safe Evacuation Of Handicapped Individuals From The County Office Building

WITHDRAWN BY SPONSOR

Referred to: The Public Health and Social Services Committee (Chairman Lopez and Legislators Allen, Belfiglio, Litts and Provenzano), and The Ways and Means Committee (Chairman Gerentine and Legislators Allen, Belfiglio, Briggs, Gregorius, Maio, Maloney, and Richard Parete)

Legislator Chris Allen offers the following:

WHEREAS, Ulster County Government has an emergency evacuation plan in place for the evacuation of the Ulster County Office Building which is located at 244 Fair Street, Kingston, New York 12401; and

WHEREAS, under the procedure of the emergency evacuation plan for the Ulster County Office Building "all department and agency heads will ensure that their supervisors are familiar with and have access to a copy of this plan and are aware of their responsibilities to follow through" and through which "...department and agency heads must keep the County Safety Office fully informed of any emergency situation that develops which endangers life or county property"; and

WHEREAS, Subdivision 4 of Subsection D of the emergency evacuation plan states that if "Handicapped occupants with the help of a pre-assigned employee...will be assisted to the Assembly Area and if needed, Evacu-Trac Chairs (stair-chairs) which are located in both stairways on the sixth floor" will be used to evacuate such handicapped individuals from the sixth floor; and

WHEREAS, there are occasions when there are more than 120 occupants on the sixth floor in its entirety during special community-oriented meetings and during monthly Legislative Session which creates the need for more than two (2) Evacu-Trac chairs (stair chairs) to be present on the sixth floor; and

WHEREAS, the Health and Social Services Committee of the Ulster County Legislature takes the health, safety and welfare of the residents of Ulster County very seriously; and

WHEREAS, the 23-member Ulster County Legislature is the duly elected government body with the sworn duty of drafting and passing legislative laws into effect for Ulster County within the State of New York; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, the Ulster County Legislature strongly recommends that two new Evacu-Trac chairs be purchased for usage on the sixth floor in order to have four Evacu-Trac chairs available in totality for the evacuation of handicapped individuals who are visitors on the sixth floor of the Ulster County Building,

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and move its adoption

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES:

NOES:

Passed Committee: Health and Social Services on _____.

Passed Committee: Ways and Means on _____.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

\$5,000-\$7,500