

ULSTER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

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AGENDA

PUBLIC HEARINGS & REGULAR MEETING

TUESDAY, JUNE 17, 2025

7:10 PM

Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, 244 Fair Street, Kingston, NY
Also available via Livestream: <https://www.youtube.com/@UlsterCountyLegislature>

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY THE CHAIR:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG AND MOMENT OF SILENT MEDITATION:

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FIRE EVACUATION PLAN

PLEASE NOTE THAT IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY THE FIRE DEPARTMENT HAS REQUESTED THAT LEGISLATORS AND ALL OTHERS MOVE AT LEAST ONE BLOCK AWAY FROM THE COUNTY OFFICE BUILDING IN ORDER NOT TO IMPEDE THE FIREFIGHTERS IN THEIR DUTIES

CELL PHONES

Please silence cell phones for the duration of the Public Hearings and Legislative Session.

MICROPHONES

Please be reminded when speaking to use your microphones so that you are recorded for the official record.

ROLL CALL:

Present:

Absent:

7:10 PM – CALL OF THE 1st PUBLIC HEARING BY CLERK: On Proposed Local Law No. 5 Of 2025, A Local Law Amending Local Law No. 7 Of 2025, 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

PUBLIC COMMENT:

PUBLIC HEARING ADJOURNED:

7:15 PM – CALL OF THE 2nd PUBLIC HEARING BY CLERK: As Required Under Article 25AA Of The Agriculture And Markets Law, On The Addition Of Lands To Agricultural Districts, And Providing Direct Notice To Affected Municipalities

PUBLIC COMMENT:

PUBLIC HEARING ADJOURNED:

BIRTHDAYS:

Deputy Majority Leader Aaron Levine	June 1 st
Legislator John Gavaris	June 9 th
Vice-Chair Megan Sperry	June 20 th
Legislative Clerk Victoria Fabella	June 22 nd
Confidential Secretary Amanda Ludington	June 29 th

MOTION TO DISPENSE WITH THE READING OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

COMMUNICATIONS FROM:

Ulster County Legislative Chair, Peter Criswell

Appointment Letter – Housing & Transportation Committee – Legislator Richard Walls

Ulster County Clerk of the Legislature, Victoria Fabella

FOIL Acknowledgement & Response – Laura Petit

COMMUNICATIONS FROM (continued):

Legislative News

Chair of Ulster County Legislature Calls for Independent Study on U&D Corridor Options

Minority Leader Roberts

Appointment Letter – Audit Committee – Legislator Kovacs

Budget Department

April 2025 Budget Transfer Report

May 2025 Budget Transfer Report

Catskill Mountain Railroad, President Ernie Hunt

Email to the Legislators – Basin Road Station vs Stony Hollow

Email to Kevin Smith – Ulster and Delaware Corridor

Kevin Smith, Chair UCTAC

Response Email to Ernie Hunt – Ulster and Delaware Corridor

Catskill Watershed Corporation

Notice of Preliminary Decisions – June 4, 2025

Concerned Citizens (2)

Email – Ashokan Rail Trail: Undesignated Section – In Favor of Rail With Trail

Concerned Citizens (4)

Email – Opposing Rail with Trail

Concerned Citizens (6)

Email – In Favor of Trail

Concerned Citizens (7)

Email – In Favor of Rail

Cornell Cooperative Extension

Invitation: Elected Official Farm Tour – July 8, 2025 (Rain Date 9th) @ 1:00 PM – Registration opens, June 3rd and ends July 2nd

NYS Department of Environmental Conservation

615 Broadway Site (Kingston) – DEC Invites Public Comment on Draft Investigation Plan through July 4th

Public Comment Period for Proposed Revisions to DER Policy No. 25/Petroleum Bulk Storage (PBS) Inspection Guidebook

Laura Petit

Foil Request – U&D Committee Related Correspondences

COMMUNICATIONS FROM (continued):

Hudson 7

Water Operators Appreciation Week
2025 – Meet Bryan Cussick of
Poughkeepsie’s Water Treatment
Facility (PWTF)

Hudson Valley Regional Council

May 2025 Quarterly Board Meeting
Reports

HVRC Economic Development Digest

5-Year CEDS (Economic Development
Strategy): SWOT Discussion

Historic Huguenot Street

Award Recognition, Organization Plans
for Additional Visitor Enrichment

Flavors of Change – Food Stories from
the Mid-Hudson Valley, 1680-1800, on
View at Historic Huguenot Street

Michael Shaieb, West Hurley

Email – Petition – Trail Support for Stony
Hollow

NYS Department of Agriculture and Markets

NY-SUN NOI Submission – ELP
Marlborough Solar in the Town of
Marlborough

Ulster County Board of Health

Agenda & Minutes – April 8, 2025

Ulster County Chamber of Commerce

Ribbon Cutting – Employment Center at
RCAL – Thursday, June 5, 2025 @ 9:30
AM – 727 Albany Avenue, Kingston

Ribbon Cutting – Midtown Kingston Arts
District Neighborhood Print Studio -
Thursday, June 12, 2025 @ 3:00 PM – 49
Greenkill Avenue, Kingston

Ribbon Cutting – O+ Exchange Space –
Friday, June 13, 2025 @ 2:30 PM – 334
Wall Street, Kingston

Ribbon Cutting – Expansion of Retail
Space at PuroClean Professional
Restoration – Tuesday, June 24, 2025 @
10:00 AM – 623 Route 28, Kingston

COMMUNICATIONS FROM (continued):

Ulster County Department of General Services

Non-Commodity Solicitations:

RFP-UC25-042: Ulster County Court Facilities Space Needs Assessment and Design Services

RFP-UC25-045 – Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) Revolving Loan Fund

RFP-UC25-041 – Audio-Visual Integrator Services for the Ulster County Government Operations Center

RFP-UC25-043 – Modular Construction Strategic Plan For Affordable Housing

RFB-UC25-044 – Maintenance Of Metasys Control Systems

RFP-UC25-046 - Preliminary Engineering Reports For Water And Septic Infrastructure At Manufactured Home Parks

April 2025 Executed Contract List

April 2025 Purchasing Report

Agenda for June 4th and Minutes for May 7th, including Financial Report

Save the Date NYSACC Conference October 24th

Civil Service Exams/Job Announcements

Email – Memo re. Analysis of Ulster County Resource Recovery Agency's Authority Pursuant to Enabling Statute

UCSWCD Management Letter and Financial Statements

UC Top 10 June 2025 Events

Event Invitation: Hudson House – June 5th @ 5 PM

Ulster County Department of Planning

Ulster County Environmental Management Council

Ulster County Personnel Department (22)

Ulster County Resource Recovery Agency

Ulster County Soil and Water Conservation District

Ulster County Tourism

Ulster County Industrial Development Agency

COMMUNICATIONS FROM (continued):

Ulster County Veterans Services

Ulster County Memorial Day Candlelight Ceremony May 22nd @ 8:00 PM – In Front Of COB/War Memorial

Plattekill Memorial Day Parade – May 24th @ 11:00 AM From Town Hall Down Route 32 To Veterans Park

American Legion Auxiliary Pancake Breakfast – May 25th – American Legion Post 1796 – 29 Walnut Street, New Windsor

Marlborough Memorial Day Parade – May 25th @ 1:00 PM – Starting At The High School And Heading Down Western Avenue Ending At The Elementary School

Town Of Lloyd Memorial Day Parade – May 26th @ 9:00 AM From Phillips Avenue Down New Paltz Road Thru Village Up Milton Avenue to Van Wagner Road Down to Vineyard Ave and Back to Village

Town Of Esopus American Legion Post 1298 Memorial Day Parade – May 26, 2025 @ 10:00 AM

Rosendale/Tillson American Legion Post 1219 Memorial Day Parade – May 26, 2025 @ 10:00 AM

Honoring and Remembering Memorial Day – May 26, 2025 @ 10:30 AM – Middletown Elks 1097

Ride To Remember – May 26th Registration At 10:30 AM – Kickstands Up 11:30 AM – 24 Twin Maples Plaza, Saugerties

COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS:

Order of succession – Jamie Capuano, James Amenta, and Amanda LaValle

Media Advisory – Help Shape the Future of Midtown Linear Park

Media Advisory – Free Measles Clinic in Ellenville on June 17th

Press Release – State Approves Certification to Coordinate EMS Services with Providers and Municipalities

Press Release – Ulster County Launches ‘Green the Scene’ Grant Program to Support Zero-Waste Events

Press Release – Ulster County EMS Plan Gets Green Light from Legislature

Press Release – Ulster County Breaks Ground for New Resilient Emergency Communications Center in New Paltz

Press Release – Joint Statement from County Executive and City of Kingston Mayor Steve Noble regarding the U.S. Department of Homeland Security Press Release on Sanctuary Jurisdiction

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Economic Development, Planning, Education, Employment, Arts & Agriculture

Energy, Environment & Sustainability

Health, Human Services & Human Rights

Housing & Transportation

Law Enforcement and Public Safety

Laws and Rules, Government Services

Public Works, Capital Projects

Ways and Means

DATE:

May 6, 2025

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May 8, 2025

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May 6, 2025

May 15, 2025

May 12, 2025

May 15, 2025

MEMORIALIZING LETTER:

To Ulster County State Representatives supporting Immigration & Criminal Justice Reform Legislation

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Chair Criswell is granting Privilege of the Floor to Ulster County Office of Employment and Training Director Sharon Williams. With over 25 years of dedicated experience, Sharon is a seasoned advocate for youth and families through community and workforce development, family engagement, youth training, and job skills building.

Sharon is passionate about empowering individuals by providing access to resources and opportunities that align with their passions and goals. The Office of Employment and Training seeks to provide a "one-stop" hub where career seekers can access essential tools and training, business leaders can engage in industry best practices and innovation, and employers can recruit and retain the best workforce in Ulster County. Director Williams will highlight some of the programs available to accomplish these goals.

PUBLIC COMMENT (on Resolutions currently before the Legislature):

**RESOLUTION NOS: 33, 143, 265, 266, 269 – 272, 274, 276 - 314, & 316 - 319;
470 of 2024, 178, 209, 225, 245, 273, & 275 - POSTPONED;
52 & 214 – DEFEATED IN COMMITTEE; 127, 155, & 315 – WITHDRAWN**

	Consent
143	Setting A Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 3 Of 2025, A Local Law To Ensure The Safety Of Vulnerable Road Users In Ulster County, To Be Held On Tuesday, July 15, 2025 At 7:10 PM
265	Setting A Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 6 Of 2025, A Local Law Amending The Ulster County Charter, (Local Law No. 2 Of 2006), Amending The Administrative Code For The County Of Ulster, (Local Law No. 10 Of 2008), And Amending The Code Of The County Of Ulster, To Modify Various Sections In Relation To Provisions Governing Budget And Finance, To Be Held On Tuesday, July 15, 2025 At 7:15 PM

266	Amending The Rules Of Order Prohibiting Legislative Meetings On Certain Jewish Holidays
269	Amending The 2025 Ulster County Budget To Accept Allocation Of Rental Assistance Program Funds From The New York State Office Of Temporary And Disability Assistance – Department Of Social Services
270	Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$494,918.00 Entered Into By The County – Catholic Charities Of Orange, Sullivan & Ulster – Department Of Social Services
271	Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$100,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Family Of Woodstock Inc. – Department Of Social Services
272	Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$250,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Family Of Woodstock Inc. – Department Of Social Services
274	Amending Ulster County’s Classification Of The Ulster & Delaware Corridor Rail Trail Project Under The New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) And Issuing A Revised Environmental Assessment Form – Department Of Planning
276	Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute A Payment In Lieu Of Taxes Agreement With Baileys Gap Solar, LLC For Solar Energy Systems Pursuant To Real Property Tax Law Section 487 – Department Of Finance
277	Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute A Payment In Lieu Of Taxes Agreement With Highland 201 Solar LLC, The Town Of Marlborough, And Marlboro Central School District For Solar Energy Systems Pursuant To Real Property Tax Law Section 487 – Department Of Finance
278	Confirming Reappointments Of Louis Klepner And Rosemary Quinn To The Traffic Safety Board
279	Confirming Appointments Of Neil Bettez And Dominick Mercurio To The Traffic Safety Board

280	Approving The Execution Of A Contract For Rates Anticipated To Exceed \$50,000.00, Entered Into By The County – Professional Ambulance Billing, LLC – Department Of Emergency Communications/Emergency Management
281	Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With The New York State Dormitory Authority For The State And Municipal Facilities – Amending The 2025 Budget – District Attorney
282	Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$38,394.00, Causing The Aggregate Contract Plus Amendment Amount To Be In Excess Of \$50,000.00, Entered Into By The County – New York Communications Company, Inc. – Ulster County Sheriff
283	Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$3,000.00, Causing The Aggregate Contract Plus Amendment Amount To Be In Excess Of \$50,000.00, Entered Into By The County – Watch Systems, L.L.C. – Ulster County Sheriff
286	Creating A Position Pursuant To An Agreement With The United States Department Of Justice Office Of Community Oriented Policing Services In Connection To The LEMGWA Grant Award – Amending The 2025 Ulster County Budget – Ulster County Sheriff
287	Approving The 2025-2026 Ulster County Community College Budget – SUNY Ulster
289	Adopting The Ulster County Agricultural And Farmland Protection Plan And Submission Thereof To The New York State Commissioner Of Agriculture And Markets For Approval – Department Of Planning
290	Authorizing The Continuation Of Agricultural District No. 3 – Rondout Creek – Towns Of Hardenburgh, Marbletown, Olive, Rochester, Rosendale, And Wawarsing – Department Of Planning
291	Authorizing The Department Of Planning To Submit An Application To The US Department Of Transportation (USDOT) For Funding Under The Safe Streets And Roads For All (SS4A) Program To Perform A Comprehensive Analysis Of Road Safety For All Users – Department Of Planning

293	Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$151,660.83 Entered Into By The County – Family Of Woodstock Inc. – Youth Bureau
294	Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$151,660.83 Entered Into By The County – Family Of Woodstock Inc. – Youth Bureau
295	Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$150,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Anderson Medical, P.C. D/B/A Emergency One Urgent Care And Diagnostic Center – Department Of Social Services
296	Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute A Contract With The New York State Department Of Health To Enter Into A Data Use Agreement – Department Of Mental Health
298	Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$76,800.00 Entered Into By The County – Rehabilitation Support Services, Inc. – Department Of Mental Health
299	Amending The 2025 Ulster County Budget To Create A Public Health Technician To Be Utilized In The Lead Rental Registry Program – Department Of Health
300	Setting A Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 7 Of 2025, A Local Law Amending Section C-42(A) Of The Ulster County Charter And Section A5-3(A) Of The Administrative Code For The County Of Ulster To Reflect Recent Changes In State Public Health Law Regarding The Composition Requirements For Local Boards Of Health, To Be Held On Tuesday, July 15, 2025 At 7:00 PM
301	Amending The 2025 Ulster County Operating Budget – Amending Capital Project No. 520 Highway Safety Program – Amending The 2025 Capital Fund Budget – Department Of Public Works (Highways And Bridges)
302	Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$67,410.00 Entered Into By The County – Bergmann Associates, Architects, Engineers, Landscape Architects & Surveyors, D.P.C. – Department Of Public Works
303	Amending The 2025 Ulster County Operating Budget - Amending Capital Project No. 661 Bridge Superstructure Repairs – Amending The 2025 Capital Fund Budget - Department Of Public Works (Highways And Bridges)

304	Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$33,000.00, Causing The Aggregate Contract Plus Amendment Amount To Be In Excess Of \$50,000.00, Entered Into By The County – M.M.G. Fire Equipment, Inc. – Department Of Public Works
305	Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$67,928.56 Entered Into By The County – United States Pest Service LLC – Department Of Public Works
306	Establishing Capital Project No. 735 – 2025 Purchase Of Highway Equipment – Amending The 2025 Capital Fund Budget — Department Of Public Works (Highways And Bridges)
309	Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$56,077.00 Entered Into By The County – Schneider Geospatial, LLC – Department Of Information Services
310	Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$1,476,717.12 Entered Into By The County – SHI International Corp – Department Of Information Services
311	Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$442,409.54 Entered Into By The County – Tyler Technologies, Inc. – Department Of Information Services
312	Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$3,300.00 Causing The Aggregate Contract Plus Amendment Amount To Be In Excess Of \$50,000.00, Entered Into By The County – Roemer Wallens Gold & Mineaux LLP – Department Of Personnel
313	Authorizing Director Of Budget To Make Certain Transfers Of Funds – Department Of Budget
314	Authorizing The Execution Of A Municipal Cooperation Agreement And Related Documents For Participation In The New York Cooperative Liquid Assets Securities System (NYCLASS)
316	Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Amendment To The Contract With The New York City Department of Environmental Protection To Continue Delegation Of Administration Of Section 18-38 Of The Watershed Regulations

	Non- Consent
33	Opposing The Establishment Of A County-Wide Landfill In Wawarsing, NY, And Urging The Exploration Of Alternative Locations And Waste Management Solutions
284	Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With Ulster County Board Of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES) To Provide One (1) Part-time Deputy Sheriff As School Resource Officer To BOCES Port Ewen Location– Ulster County Sheriff
285	Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With Ulster County Board Of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES) To Provide Two (2) Deputy Sheriffs As School Resource Officers To Three (3) BOCES locations – Ulster County Sheriff
288	Authorizing The Refinancing Of The PILOT Mortgage Entered By The Ulster County Industrial Development Agency And Landmark Preservation, L.P. Regarding The Premises Located At 295 Broadway And 1 Albany Avenue, Kingston, New York
292	Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$25,000.00, Causing The Aggregate Contract Plus Amendment Amount To Be In Excess Of \$50,000.00, Entered Into By The County – Medium Giant Company, Inc. D/B/A Medium Giant – Department Of Tourism
297	Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$225,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Oxford House, Inc. – Department Of Mental Health
307 BOND	Authorizing The Purchase Of Construction And Maintenance Equipment, For The Department Of Public Works Of The County Of Ulster, New York, At A Maximum Estimated Cost Of \$3,670,000.00, And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$3,670,000.00 Serial Bonds Of Said County To Pay The Cost Thereof

308	Setting A Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 8 Of 2025, 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 Amend Charter Article XXXIV Periodic Compensation Review Committee §C-110 And Administrative Code Article XXXIV Periodic Compensation Review Committee §A34-3, To Be Held On Tuesday, July 15, 2025 At 7:05 PM
	Late Resolutions
317	Authorizing Submission Of A Grant Application To The Federal Transit Administration To Accept 5307 Funds For Design, Site Selection, And Facility Analysis Of UCAT Transportation Facilities And Authorizing The Ulster County Executive To Execute Any Required Applications Or Agreements In Order To Accept Funding – Ulster County Area Transit (UCAT)
318	Authorizing Submission Of A Grant Application To The Federal Transit Administration To Accept 5339(B) Funds For Capital Expenditures And Authorizing The Ulster County Executive To Execute Any Required Applications Or Agreements In Order To Accept Funding – Ulster County Area Transit (UCAT)
319	Approving The Memorandum Of Agreement Between The County Of Ulster And The Ulster County Sheriff's Employee Association, For The Years 2025, 2026, 2027 And 2028 – Amending The 2025 Ulster County Budget

PUBLIC COMMENT (on subjects *not* currently before the Legislature):

MEETING ADJOURNED IN MEMORY OF:

Frank E. Sottile (Former Town of Ulster Supervisor)
Margaret Hebert, Milton
Christopher Hallmark, Marlboro
Justina Ortlieb, Kerhonkson
Terry Alexander, Hurley
Juliette Mauro Krom, Port Ewen
Eileen Gulisano, Woodstock
MaryAnn Casey, Hurley

James R. Williams, Kingston
Tim Kederling, Ulster Park
Esther Kederling, Ulster Park
Patricia Van Loan, Ulster
Linda Hanss, Shokan
Calvin C. Mann, Jr., Lake Katrine
Jack Lewis, Kingston
James Fitzpatrick, Ulster Park

CLOSING WORDS – Chair Criswell will call upon Majority Leader Uchitelle, District 5, to offer closing words.

NEXT MEETING:

The next Regular Meeting of the Ulster County Legislature will be held on Tuesday, July 15, 2025 at 7:00 PM in the Legislative Chambers, Sixth Floor, Ulster County Office Building, 244 Fair Street, Kingston, New York.

Resolution deadline is Wednesday, June 18, 2025.

MEETING ADJOURNED: