

**Laws & Rules, Governmental Services Committee  
Special Meeting Minutes**

**DATE & TIME:** May 14, 2018 – 6:30 PM  
**LOCATION:** KL Binder Library, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, County Office Building  
**PRESIDING OFFICER:** Deputy Chair Donaldson (arrived at 6:35 PM)  
**LEGISLATIVE STAFF:** Jay Mahler, Deputy Clerk  
**PRESENT:** Legislators Haynes, Heppner (arrived at 6:35 PM), James Maloney & Ronk  
**ABSENT:** Legislator Roberts  
**QUORUM PRESENT:** Yes

**OTHER ATTENDEES:** Legislative Counsel Pascale, Minority Counsel Ragucci, Legislators Nolan, Petit & Rodriguez, Director Rider – UC Purchasing Department

Chairman Ronk called the meeting to order at 6:31 PM.

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**Resolution No. 155:** Setting A Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 13 Of 2018, A Local Law Establishing The Ulster County Electrical Licensing Board And Providing For The Qualifications, Examination, Licensing And Regulation Of Electricians In Ulster County, New York, To Be Held On Tuesday, June 19, 2018 At 7:30 PM

**Resolution Summary:** This resolution sets a Public Hearing for Tuesday, June 19, 2018 at 7:30 PM to allow the public to offer comments on Proposed Local Law Number 13 of 2018.

**Motion No. 1:** Moved for **DISCUSSION**  
**Motion By:** Legislator James Maloney  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Haynes

**Discussion:**

Legislator Rodriguez explained that he requested the meeting to address any questions or possible amendments that Legislators or members of the public may have. He advised the members that Mr. Sam Fratto of IBEW Local 363 submitted some comments on the law which were provided to the members with their meeting agenda. He stated that purpose of the law was not to make money, but to get electricians in Ulster County licensed. He added that he was in favor of reciprocity. He informed the members that Greene, Orange & Sullivan counties have electrician laws. He added that Greene & Sullivan have reciprocity with each other and Greene also has reciprocity with the City of Kingston and the Village of Saugerties.

Legislator Rodriguez stated that he was open to amendments to the sections on fees and reciprocity. Deputy Chairman Donaldson asked what the fee structures were in other counties. Legislator Rodriguez responded that the language in the proposed law mirrored that of Orange County so the fees were the same. Chairman Ronk stated that he was in favor of broader reciprocity language allowing it in counties with comparable standards. Legislator James Maloney asked if Orange County

was a reciprocating county. Legislator Rodriguez responded that they were not in what he has been able to see thus far.

Deputy Chairman Donaldson asked for clarification on the process for requesting reciprocity between jurisdictions. Legislator James Maloney suggested a spreadsheet be created containing information on fees and reciprocal jurisdictions in surrounding jurisdictions. Legislator Rodriguez commented that his intention was to learn what information the members would like him to gather before moving forward with the law. He added that he would compile details on fees and reciprocity for the committee.

**Motion No. 2:**                    **Moved to POSTPONE Resolution No. 155**  
**Motion By:**                    Legislator Ronk  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator James Maloney

**Discussion:**                    None

**Voting In Favor:**            Legislators Donaldson, Haynes, Heppner, James Maloney & Ronk  
**Voting Against:**            None  
**Votes in Favor:**            5  
**Votes Against:**            0  
**Disposition:**                **Resolution is POSTPONED**

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Deputy Chair Donaldson asked the members if there any other comments and hearing none;

**Adjournment of the Special Meeting**

**Motion Made By:**            Legislator Ronk  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator James Maloney  
**No. of Votes in Favor:** 5  
**No. of Votes Against:** 0

**TIME:**            6:43 PM

**Laws & Rules, Governmental Services Committee  
Regular Meeting Minutes**

**DATE & TIME:** May 14, 2018 – 6:45 PM (or immediately following the Special Meeting)  
**LOCATION:** KL Binder Library, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, County Office Building  
**PRESIDING OFFICER:** Deputy Chair Donaldson  
**LEGISLATIVE STAFF:** Jay Mahler, Deputy Clerk  
**PRESENT:** Legislators Haynes, Heppner, James Maloney & Ronk  
**ABSENT:** Legislator Roberts  
**QUORUM PRESENT:** Yes

**OTHER ATTENDEES:** Legislative Counsel Pascale, Minority Counsel Ragucci, Legislators Nolan, Petit & Rodriguez, Director Rider – UC Purchasing Department, Lieutenant Markiewicz – UC Sheriff's Office, Mr. John Boltz – John J. Boltz Consulting, Clifton Park, NY

Deputy Chair Donaldson called the meeting to order at 6:43 PM.

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**Motion No. 1:** Moved to **APPROVE** the Minutes of the April 16, 2018 meeting

**Motion By:** Legislator James Maloney  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Ronk

**Discussion:** None

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Donaldson, Haynes, Heppner, James Maloney & Ronk  
**Voting Against:** None  
**Votes in Favor:** 5  
**Votes Against:** 0  
**Disposition:** Minutes **APPROVED**

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Resolutions for the May 15, 2018 Session of the Legislature

Deputy Chair Donaldson advised the members that Lieutenant Markiewicz from the Sheriff's Office was in attendance to speak on two of the late resolutions and informed the members that he would be taking them out of order.

**LATE Resolution No. 204:** Authorizing The Ulster County Sheriff's Office To Accept The Donation Of A Motor Vehicle – Ulster County Sheriff

**Resolution Summary:** This resolution authorizes the county to accept the donation of an RV to the Ulster County Sheriff's Office, Mobile Negotiation Team, for use as a mobile crisis intervention vehicle.

**Motion No. 2:** Moved for **DISCUSSION**  
**Motion By:** Legislator James Maloney  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Ronk

**Discussion:**

Lt. Markiewicz informed the members the vehicle was donated to the Ulster County PBA by the Kaplan Foundation in Newburgh. He added that funds were used to update the vehicle for use as part of the Mobile Crisis Negotiation Unit (MCNU). He informed the members that the county has had a MCNU for more than 20 years. He added that, similar to UCERT, the team is deployed during a major crisis. He informed the members that the Department observed an inequity in the amount of training and equipment provided to MCNU as compared to UCERT and other emergency response units. He stated that there was a small amount of work left to complete which will require the use of county funds. He added that the office did not want to complete the additional work using county funds until the vehicle was officially county property.

Legislator Haynes asked for clarification on what exactly was donated, funding or the vehicle. Lt. Markiewicz responded that funding was donated which was used to obtain the RV and outfit it for use as a MCNU. He added that members of the county's DPW looked at the vehicle before it was purchased and worked with the Sheriff's Office to identify repairs that should be completed. He informed the members that much of the work done to the vehicle was completed by Deputy Steyer free of charge whose family owns and operates an automotive business in Saugerties which was used to complete the repairs.

Legislator Heppner asked what the projected budget was to complete the job. Lt. Markiewicz responded that only work left to be completed is the installation of the radios, and lights and sirens, as well as striping, similar to a marked car. He added that the Sheriff's Office already owns the lighting, but NYCOMCO is doing the installation. Legislator Rodriguez asked if the lighting package was standard or customized. Lt. Markiewicz responded that the office already owns the lighting and the actual installation does not require special processes or connections, but might require longer cables, wiring, etc. because of the size of the vehicle. Legislator Rodriguez asked if there was a ballpark figure for the installation costs. Lt Markiewicz responded around \$3,500 - \$4,000. Deputy Chairman Donaldson stated that was roughly the same amount to install a radio or light package in any law enforcement vehicle.

Legislator James Maloney thanked Lt Markiewicz for attending the meeting and giving such a detailed presentation. Chairman Ronk also thanked Lt. Markiewicz for recognizing a need and for working to secure outside resources to provide a valuable county resource.

**Motion No. 3:** Moved to **ADOPT Resolution No. 204**  
**Motion By:** Legislator James Maloney  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Ronk

**Discussion:** None

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Donaldson, Haynes, Heppner, James Maloney & Ronk  
**Voting Against:** None

**Votes in Favor:** 5  
**Votes Against:** 0  
**Disposition:** **Resolution ADOPTED**

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**LATE Resolution No. 198:** Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute A Contract With The New York State Department of Criminal Justice To Accept Grant Funds for Detective Division Overtime Reimbursement – Sheriff’s Office

**Resolution Summary:** This resolution authorizes the Chairman to enter into an agreement with the NYS DHSES to accept funding in the amount of \$5,088.00 for over-time reimbursement for Ulster County’s participation in the New York State Operation Red Team Project for the period May 1, 2018 through July 31, 2018.

**Motion No. 4:** **Moved for DISCUSSION**  
**Motion By:** Legislator Ronk  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Heppner

**Discussion:**

Deputy Chairman Donaldson asked why the Resolution was late. Chairman Ronk responded that the state provides information on grant funding to reimburse the county for participation in Red Team exercises after resolution deadline every year. Deputy Chairman Donaldson advised the members that the same situation was encountered last year.

**Motion No. 5:** **Moved to ADOPT Resolution No. 198**  
**Motion By:** Legislator Ronk  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Heppner

**Discussion:** None

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Donaldson, Haynes, Heppner, James Maloney & Ronk  
**Voting Against:** None  
**Votes in Favor:** 5  
**Votes Against:** 0  
**Disposition:** **Resolution ADOPTED**

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**Resolution No. 26:** Setting A Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 5 Of 2018, 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 Clarify Budget Modification After Adoption, To Be Held On Tuesday, June 19, 2018 At 7:00 PM

**Resolution Summary:** This resolution sets a public hearing for Tuesday, June 19 2018 At 7:00 PM to allow the public to offer comments on Proposed Local Law Number 5 of 2018.

**Motion No. 6:** **Moved for DISCUSSION**

**Motion By:** Legislator Ronk  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator James Maloney

**Discussion:**

Chairman Ronk advised the members that he was offering a friendly amendment to include a Mandator Referendum Question. He added that Legislative Counsel has reviewed the matter and felt that the proposed local law curtails the powers of the Executive and therefore would require the referendum. He added that it would be best to have the question in the law before it goes to a public hearing. He read the amendment to the members and distributed copies.

Deputy Chairman Donaldson asked Counselor Ragucci if he had an opportunity to review the question. Counselor Ragucci stated that he had no legal objection to the language. Deputy Chairman Donaldson said he, as the sponsor of the Proposed Local Law, would support the amendment.

**Motion No. 7:** Moved to AMEND Proposed Local Law No. 5 of 2018 in the form as attached

**Motion By:** Legislator Ronk  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Heppner

**Discussion:** None

**Motion No. 8:** Moved to ADOPT Resolution No. 26 with Proposed Local Law As Amended

**Motion By:** Legislator Ronk  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Heppner

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Donaldson, Haynes, Heppner, James Maloney & Ronk  
**Voting Against:** None  
**Votes in Favor:** 5  
**Votes Against:** 0  
**Disposition:** Resolution ADOPTED

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**Resolution No. 78:** Amending The Rules Of Order To Permit Memorializing Resolutions

**Resolution Summary:** This resolution amends the Rules of Order of the Ulster County Legislature to permit Memorializing Resolutions.

**Motion No. 9:** Moved for DISCUSSION  
**Motion By:** Legislator Ronk  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Heppner

**Discussion:**

Chairman Ronk stated that there was extensive discussion of the proposal last month and felt that there was room for compromise. He added his support for a minimum number of sponsors with a bipartisan required and relayed his opposition to reinstating the unfettered use of memorializing

resolutions. Legislator Rodriguez stated his caucuses support for reinstating the use of memorializing resolutions and that he did not believe they were hindering the Legislature's ability to do their work. Chairman Ronk responded that their use had become overly political and that memorializing resolutions should relay a voice of the entire body, not one caucus. Legislator Rodriguez stated that the Legislature rules by majority vote.

Deputy Chairman Donaldson stated the matter has been discussed at length in the committee and an amendment was before the members to eliminate the prohibition of memorializing resolutions. He commented that often constituents want their representatives to take a stand and they should have that right. He stated that they can take up significant amounts of time and should be considered at the end of legislative meetings.

Legislator Nolan expressed her support for reinstating memorializing resolutions but expressed her opposition to holding them until the end of legislative meetings. Legislator Rodriguez stated that there were a number of new members and that a ban enacted based on the actions of prior members should be lifted. Legislator Haynes stated that, as a new member, she was cautious about opening the door to memorializing resolutions being introduced without provisions to mitigate them getting out of control. Chairman Ronk stated that the Republican caucus was willing to make compromises on language to temper the use of memorializing resolutions and expressed his opinion that there did not appear to be the same willingness to compromise in the other caucus.

**Motion No. 10:**            **Moved to AMEND Resolution No. 78**  
**Motion By:**             Legislator Heppner  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Donaldson

**Discussion:**            None

**Voting In Favor:**        Legislators Donaldson & Heppner  
**Voting Against:**        Legislators Haynes, James Maloney & Ronk  
**Votes in Favor:**         2  
**Votes Against:**         3  
**Disposition:**           **Amendment is DEFEATED**

Deputy Chairman Donaldson advised the members that he, as a sponsor of the resolution, was withdrawing the legislation.

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Deputy Chairman Donaldson informed the members that Purchasing Director Rider was in attendance to speak to a number of late resolutions and advised them that he would be taking them out of order.

Legislator Rodriguez asked Deputy Chairman Donaldson if he would entertain taking Resolution No. 154 out of order to allow Legislator Petit, sponsor of the legislation, to speak before leaving for another engagement. Deputy Chairman Donaldson agreed to take the resolution out of order.

**Resolution No. 154:** Setting A Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 12 Of 2018, Establishing The Ulster County Contractor Licensing Board And Providing For The Qualifications, Examination, Licensing And Regulation Of Home Improvement Contractors In Ulster County, New York, To Be Held On Tuesday, June 19, 2018 At 7:25 PM

**Resolution Summary:** This resolution sets a public hearing for Tuesday, June 19, 2018 At 7:25 PM to allow the public to offer comments on Proposed Local Law Number 12 of 2018.

**Motion No. 11:** Moved to **POSTPONE Resolution No. 154**  
**Motion By:** Legislator James Maloney  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Ronk

**Discussion:**

Legislator Petit advised the members that she has been taking in the thoughts and concerns of a number of people and requested that the resolution be postponed while she works on incorporating their suggestions into the proposed local law.

Legislator James Maloney asked if there would be reciprocity language included in the law similar to the electrical licensing law. Legislator Petit responded that they were considering that as well as changing the law to create a registry as opposed to requiring licensing. She added that she spoke to Patrick Long, Sr. Consumer Advocate in the Ulster County District Attorney's Office, Division of Consumer Affairs who supported the measure.

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Donaldson, Haynes, Heppner, James Maloney & Ronk  
**Voting Against:** None  
**Votes in Favor:** 5  
**Votes Against:** 0  
**Disposition:** **Resolution POSTPONED**

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Deputy Chairman Donaldson recognized Purchasing Director Rider to speak to the late resolutions.

**LATE Resolution No. 199:** Amending Capital Project No. 512, Probation Building Construction – To Accommodate The Ulster County Restorative Justice And Community Empowerment Center – Amending The 2018-2023 Ulster County Capital Improvement Program - Amending The 2018 Capital Fund Budget – Public Works (Building And Grounds)

**Resolution Summary:** This amends the 2018-2023 Ulster County Capital Improvement Program to increase Capital Project No. 512 – Restorative Justice and Community Empowerment Center from \$1,630,641 to \$3,262,200, an increase of \$1,631,559.

**LATE BOND Resolution No. 200:** Authorizing Probation Building Reconstruction To Accommodate The Ulster County Restorative Justice And Community Empowerment Center, In And For The County Of Ulster, New York, At A Maximum Estimated Cost Of \$2,842,200.00, And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$2,842,200.00 Bonds Of Said County To Pay The Cost Thereof



**Resolution Summary:** This resolution authorizes \$2,842,200 in serial bonds for Capital Project No. 512 – the Restorative Justice and Community Empowerment Center.

**LATE Resolution No. 201:** Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Ferrari & Sons, Inc. – Department Of Public Works

**Resolution Summary:** This resolution approves the execution of a contract with Ferrari & Sons, Inc. in the amount of \$1,746,000 to serve as the General Contractor for construction of the Restorative Justice and Community Empowerment Center.

**LATE Resolution No. 202:** Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – J & J Sass Electric, Inc. – Department Of Public Works

**Resolution Summary:** This resolution approves the execution of a contract with J & J Sass Electric, Inc. in the amount of \$330,000 to serve as the electrical contractor for construction of the Restorative Justice and Community Empowerment Center.

**LATE Resolution No. 203:** Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Vamco Sheet Metal, Inc. – Department Of Public Works

**Resolution Summary:** This resolution approves the execution of a contract with Vamco Sheet Metal, Inc. in the amount of \$401,000 to serve as the mechanical contractor for construction of the Restorative Justice and Community Empowerment Center.

**Motion No. 12:** Moved to consider Resolution Nos. 199, 200, 201, 202 & 203 AS A  
**BLOCK**

**Motion By:** Legislator Ronk

**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Haynes

**Discussion:**

Deputy Chairman Donaldson asked Mr. Rider to speak to the lateness of the resolutions. Mr. Rider informed the members that the RFPs came in May 3<sup>rd</sup> which was well after the Resolution deadline as well as after the Public Works & Capital Projects Committee meeting. He added that the bids came back higher than they had expected and had to put the job back out to bid. He informed the members that these resolutions are part of the comprehensive plan to address the Raise The Age legislation enacted by the state and being implemented in October 2018. He informed the members that the target completion date was December 1<sup>st</sup> and any delays in contract approvals could jeopardize the completion date.

Legislator Nolan asked for a description of the project. Mr. Rider responded that the building was next to the Probation facility and previously served as a night club and Rent-A-Center. He informed

the members that the space will be transformed into a multi-use space that would also provide rooms for public use of up to 100 people. He provided an overview of the offices and Probation specific requirements that are needed. The members briefly discussed the Restorative Justice Programming.

Legislator Heppner asked if the Chairman and Deputy Chair of the Public Work & Capital Projects Committee had been contacted about the resolutions and the work to be completed at the center. He added that he was sure they would be supportive of the project but would be interested in the actual construction progress. He questioned whether a special meeting of that committee may have been warranted considering how substantial the project is. Legislator Nolan stated that the project was briefly discussed at the Public Works Committee. She added that because it was a reconstruction and rehabilitation project the members did not request a special meeting. Legislator Rodriguez stated that despite the rules stipulating how late resolutions are handled, the Chair and Deputy Chair of the committee of original jurisdiction should be contacted. Deputy Chairman Donaldson added that instances of late resolutions should be rare.

**Motion No. 13:** Moved to **ADOPT Blocked Resolution Nos. 199, 200, 201, 202 & 203**  
**Motion By:** Legislator Ronk  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Haynes

**Discussion:** None

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Donaldson, Haynes, Heppner, James Maloney & Ronk  
**Voting Against:** None  
**Votes in Favor:** 5  
**Votes Against:** 0  
**Disposition:** **Resolutions ADOPTED**

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**Resolution No. 120:** Setting A Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 10 Of 2018, A Local Law Promoting The Use Of Reusable Bags And Regulating The Use Of Plastic Carryout Bags And Recyclable Paper Carryout Bags, To Be Held On Tuesday, June 19, 2018 At 7:05 PM

**Resolution Summary:** This resolution sets a public hearing for Tuesday, June 19, 2018 At 7:05 PM to allow the public to offer comments on Proposed Local Law Number 10 of 2018.

**Motion No. 14:** Moved for **DISCUSSION**  
**Motion By:** Legislator Heppner  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Donaldson

**Discussion:**

Chairman Ronk stated that he has never been in favor of the ban and voted against it when it was brought up in 2008. He added that he uses reusable bags but stated there are serious issues with cross contamination and bacteria because they are not cleaned properly. He informed the members that he has an issue with the term “single use” because many of the bags he receives are used at least twice. He acknowledged the legislations noble intention but said the delivery was not quite there. Legislator Nolan advised the members that the UCRRA and other resource handling centers are

facing many challenges with the thin plastic bags. Legislator Heppner commended Legislators Bartels and Donaldson for their work on the law. He added that the issue is not new to the Legislature, stating that there were many discussions in the Energy & Environment Committee in prior years with numerous industry experts from around the state attending. He advised the members to speak with UCRRA Executive Director Rose to hear the issues that they are facing because of the bags and encouraged the members to support moving the measure forward to a public hearing. Legislator James Maloney advised the members that he would support the public hearing but mentioned that the law does not include massive amounts of plastic wrapping and packaging and feels that a broader solution to solid waste management should be considered.

Legislator Haynes asked if self-checkout stations would be effected if reusable bags are used. Legislator Nolan commented that big retailers like Walmart have been able to implement the law in jurisdiction across the country. Chairman Ronk questioned why there is a charge for paper bags if they are recyclable. Legislator Nolan responded that without a fee there was a concern that retailers would raise the weight of the plastic bag above that prohibited by the law. She added that the manufacture of paper bags also has a carbon footprint and should be discouraged.

Deputy Chairman Donaldson agreed with Legislator James Maloney that other areas should be looked at.

**Motion No. 15:** Moved to **ADOPT Resolution No. 120**  
**Motion By:** Legislator Heppner  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Donaldson

**Discussion:** None

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Donaldson, Haynes, Heppner, James Maloney & Ronk  
**Voting Against:** None  
**Votes in Favor:** 5  
**Votes Against:** 0  
**Disposition:** **Resolution ADOPTED**

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**Resolution No. 156:** Adopting Proposed Local Law No. 7 Of 2018, A Local Law To Reduce Addiction To Tobacco Products By Raising The Minimum Age For Their Purchase To 21

**Resolution Summary:** This resolution adopts Proposed Local Law Number 7 of 2018.

**Motion No. 16:** Moved for **DISCUSSION**  
**Motion By:** Legislator Ronk  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Heppner

**Discussion:**

Chairman Ronk stated that he would support moving the law to the floor for a vote but was not sure how he will vote. Legislator James Maloney stated that he was not sure if this law would have any

real effect. He added that he took issue with members of the armed services not being able to purchase tobacco products. The members briefly discussed an amendment adopted in the Public Health Committee earlier in the month.

**Motion No. 17:** Moved to **ADOPT Resolution No. 156**  
**Motion By:** Legislator Heppner  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Ronk

**Discussion:** None

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Donaldson, Haynes, Heppner, James Maloney & Ronk  
**Voting Against:** None  
**Votes in Favor:** 5  
**Votes Against:** 0  
**Disposition:** **Resolution ADOPTED**

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**Resolution No. 157:** Adopting Proposed Local Law No. 8 Of 2018, A Local Law Amending Local Law 6 of 2014, To Improve And Strengthen The Sustainable Energy Loan Program

**Resolution Summary:** This resolution adopts Proposed Local Law Number 8 of 2018.

**Motion No. 18:** Moved for **DISCUSSION**  
**Motion By:** Legislator Ronk  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Heppner

**Discussion:**  
Chairman Ronk informed the members that he would be a no on the resolution stating that the program has not been effective and could put taxpayers in a bad position.

**Motion No. 19:** Moved to **ADOPT Resolution No. 120**  
**Motion By:** Legislator Heppner  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Ronk

**Discussion:** None

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Donaldson, Heppner & James Maloney  
**Voting Against:** Legislators Haynes & Ronk  
**Votes in Favor:** 3  
**Votes Against:** 2  
**Disposition:** **Resolution ADOPTED**

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**Resolution No. 160:** Setting A Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 14 Of 2018, A Local Law Amending Local Law No. 2 Of 2006 (A Local Law Adopting A County Charter Form Of Government For The County Of Ulster, State Of New York) And Amending Local Law No. 10 Of

2008 (A Local Law Adopting An Administrative Code For The County Of Ulster, State Of New York), To Amend The Term Of Office For Members Of The Ulster County Legislature, To Be Held On Tuesday, June 19, 2018 At 7:10 PM

**Resolution Summary:** This resolution sets a public hearing for Tuesday, June 19, 2018 At 7:10 PM to allow the public to offer comments on Proposed Local Law Number 14 of 2018.

**Motion No. 20:** Moved to ADOPT Resolution No. 160  
**Motion By:** Legislator Heppner  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Ronk

**Discussion:** None

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Haynes, Heppner, James Maloney & Ronk  
**Voting Against:** Legislator Donaldson  
**Votes in Favor:** 4  
**Votes Against:** 1  
**Disposition:** Resolution ADOPTED

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**Resolution No. 161:** Setting A Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 15 Of 2018, A Local Law Amending Local Law No. 2 Of 2006 (A Local Law Adopting A County Charter Form Of Government For The County Of Ulster, State Of New York) And Amending Local Law No. 10 Of 2008 (A Local Law Adopting An Administrative Code For The County Of Ulster, State Of New York), To Create Term Limits For Certain Ulster County Elected Officials, To Be Held On Tuesday, June 19, 2018 At 7:15 PM

**Resolution Summary:** This resolution sets a public hearing for Tuesday, June 19, 2018 At 7:15 PM to allow the public to offer comments on Proposed Local Law Number 15 of 2018.

**Motion No. 21:** Moved for DISCUSSION  
**Motion By:** Legislator Ronk  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Heppner

**Discussion:**  
The members discussed that the law would not cover the office of the Sheriff, District Attorney or County Clerk.

**Motion No. 22:** Moved to ADOPT Resolution No. 161  
**Motion By:** Legislator Heppner  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Ronk

**Discussion:** None

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Donaldson, Haynes, Heppner, James Maloney & Ronk  
**Voting Against:** None

Votes in Favor: 5  
Votes Against: 0  
Disposition: Resolution ADOPTED

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**Resolution No. 195:** Amending The Rules Of Order To Modify Resolution Deadline

**Resolution Summary:** This resolution amends the Rules of Order of the Ulster County Legislature to require an earlier date for the Clerk of the Legislature to receive resolution submissions.

**Motion No. 23:** Moved for DISCUSSION  
**Motion By:** Legislator Heppner  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Donaldson

**Discussion:**

Legislator Rodriguez stated that the matter was discussed in caucus pertaining to the ability to obtain information about resolutions so Legislators can decide whether they would like to be a sponsor. Chairman Ronk stated that he respected the intention of the resolution but advised the members that operationally the resolution does not accomplish that goal. He stated that in his view the only thing the resolution would accomplish is more work for the Clerk's office which would also require a significant change to the way they operate.

Legislator Rodriguez stated that the resolution was done with the Clerk. He added that the issue has existed and been discussed for a few years. The members briefly discussed the resolution drafting process. Chairman Ronk stated that he spoke to the Clerk earlier and she had some concerns. He added that he was not comfortable moving forward without the Clerks support. Deputy Chairman Donaldson stated that he understands the problem and the arguments and added he did not see how the resolution addressed the issue. He questioned whether a process should be instituted whereby sponsors are contacted, but did not believe the resolution at hand addressed that. Legislator Rodriguez stated that the additional two days would allow time for Chairs and Deputy Chairs to call the Executive's Office for clarification. Deputy Chairman Donaldson advised the members that as Chair of the Legislative Programs Committee he receives calls from Deputy Executive Crannell regarding resolutions that will be before the committee. Legislator Nolan stated that a better process should be pursued and added that it would be strong to say that the clerk supports the change. She suggested forwarding the name of the resolution to the committee chairs.

Chairman Ronk advised the members that he would be sponsoring all resolutions as a temporary solution. Deputy Chairman Donaldson felt the Executive's office should be making calls to committee chairs. Legislator Nolan stated that she is in frequent conversations with the Executive's Office and department heads. Deputy Chairman Donaldson asked if Legislator James Maloney, as Chair of the Economic Development Committee received calls from the Executive's Office. He responded that he receives calls on some, but not all, resolutions before his committee.

Chairman Ronk stated that he was not comfortable moving forward until he knew the Clerk's position on the change.

**Motion No. 24:** Moved to POSTPONE Resolution No. 195  
**Motion By:** Legislator Ronk  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Heppner

**Discussion:** None

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Donaldson, Haynes, Heppner, James Maloney & Ronk  
**Voting Against:** None  
**Votes in Favor:** 5  
**Votes Against:** 0  
**Disposition:** Resolution POSTPONED

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Deputy Chairman Donaldson asked the members if there was any new or old business, and hearing none;

**Adjournment**

**Motion Made By:** Legislator Heppner  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Haynes  
**No. of Votes in Favor:** 6  
**No. of Votes Against:** 0

**TIME:** 7:50 PM

**Respectfully submitted:** Jay Mahler, Deputy Clerk  
**Minutes Approved:** June 18, 2018

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**To: Ulster County Legislator Kevin Roberts, Chairman and all Committee Members of the Legislature's Standing Committee on Laws & Rules, Governmental Services**

**From: Sam Fratto, Business Manager, IBEW Local 363 Electricians**

I apologize that I cannot attend the Committee's May 14<sup>th</sup> meeting where you will be discussing the Proposed Local Law Number 13 of 2018 - Establishing The Ulster County Electrical Licensing Board and Providing For The Qualifications, Examination, Licensing And Regulation Of Electricians In Ulster County, New York.

I reviewed the entire 21 pages and I have to say that I think the committee is very close, if not right on, to what you would need to establish a fairly administered Electrical License that will take into account the desire for some home owners to do some more basic installations on their primary residence if they choose to. It also addresses the needs of small businesses who perform a small amount of electrical work in their daily tasks that are related to the product they service or install.

I will point out to you in **SECTION 9. EXEMPTIONS FROM LICENSE REQUIREMENT,**

Paragraph "F" on page 8 – bottom of page - : "No homeowner shall engage in:"

Those words need to be carried over to page 9 and placed above (i) and (ii) so it is clear that the words "No homeowner shall engage in:" applies to the two items listed below it. I am writing that because as it is printed, I first thought (i) and (ii) were "exemptions", which would be a mistake allowing homeowners to wire pools and generators. Moving the words to page 9 just makes it clearer.

In regard to reciprocity of electrical licenses: I would agree that there has to be reciprocity with any Hudson Valley Municipality that also requires an electrical license and that is only if they reciprocate and accept an Ulster County License in their area under the same guidelines. I would not attempt to reciprocate with any licenses or boards that are not local and not accessible or familiar to you. There are boards that exist that are not going to test as stringent as you may test and you will not know this or be close enough to find out what the real requirements are or if someone is just giving credentials to people. As with many things, it is better to keep it as local as possible.

As far as I see, I think you have a very good template here and I see no other issues with what I read. I and IBEW Local 363 support the establishment of the Ulster County Electrical License.

Sincerely,

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*"Anything can be accomplished when people work together."*



# COUNTY OF ULSTER

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### MEMORANDUM

TO: MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATURE

FROM: MARC D. RIDER

DATE: MAY 7, 2018

RE: LATE RESOLUTION REQUEST FOR THE RESTORATIVE JUSTICE CENTER CONTRACTS

I am requesting that the resolutions for three contracts for the Restorative Justice Center project, and one resolution amending said capital project budget, be considered at the May 15, 2018 meeting of the Legislature.

In order to be accepted as late, a resolution must meet two of five criteria. The resolutions meet at least two of the criteria. First, these resolutions are being introduced at the request of the County Executive, and they were sent for introduction on May 7, 2018, which was the first day that all of the contractors had been qualified by the architect and construction manager hired to represent the County.

Second, the resolutions are of financial consequence for the County if they are not introduced at the May meeting. There is a very tight construction schedule with minors delay built in. If the resolutions are introduced in May, then construction will begin by June 1<sup>st</sup>, and the County will be able to move in by December 15, 2018. A delay of four weeks at the beginning of the project could set the project back multiple months, and likely mean that the County would not move in until after January 2019, which is beyond the time line set by New York State in the "Raise the Age" legislation. This could put some state funding at risk due to the missed deadline.

In closing, I respectfully request that the Laws and Rules Committee place these resolutions on the Agenda of that committee's May 14<sup>th</sup> meeting, that the resolutions be referred to the Ways and Means Committee on May 15<sup>th</sup>, and that the resolutions be voted on by the full Legislature during the May 15<sup>th</sup> Session. Thank you all for your continued support of this project, and your understanding in accepting these late resolutions.

**Proposed Local Law Number 5 Of 2018**

**County Of Ulster**

**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 Clarify Budget Modification After Adoption**

**SECTION 3. MANDATORY REFERENDUM QUESTION:**

The question that shall be submitted to the voters is as follows:

**Shall the amendment to the Ulster County Charter approved as Proposed Local Law # 5 of 2018, prohibiting the transfer of payroll related expenditures designated for Ulster County employment positions as itemized in the annual budget, to other budgetary lines during the course of a year be adopted and become part of the Ulster County Charter?**

**SECTION 3 4. SEVERABILITY.**

In the event that any portion of this local law is found to be invalid, such finding will not have any effect on either the remaining portions or applications of this local law or any provisions of the Ulster County Charter, which shall remain in full force and effect.

**SECTION 4 5. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

This Local Law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the New York Secretary of State.