

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

DATE & TIME: June 21, 2022 – 5:00 PM
LOCATION: KL Binder Library, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston
PRESIDING OFFICER: Chairman Heppner
LEGISLATIVE STAFF: Jay Mahler, Deputy Clerk
PRESENT: Legislators Bartels, Gavaris, Levine (arrived at 5:03 PM) & Ronk
ABSENT: Legislator Roberts
QUORUM PRESENT: Yes

OTHER ATTENDEES: Legislator Erner, Legislative Counsel Gordon Deputy County Executives Contreras, Kelly & Rider

Chairman Heppner called the meeting to order at 5:01 PM

Resolution for the June 21, 2022 Session of the Legislature

Resolution No. 14: Authorizing The Termination Of A Lease Agreement With CPR Kingston, LLC Bank For Space Used By The Board Of Elections

Resolution Summary: This Resolution authorizes the Chair to mail written notice of termination of the lease agreement with CPR Kingston, LLC effective ~~April 30, 2022~~ TBD for office space currently occupied by the Board of Elections located at 284 Wall Street, Kingston.

Motion No. 1: **Moved Resolution No. 14 FOR DISCUSSION**
Motion By: Legislator Ronk
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion: None

Motion No. 2: **MOTION TO POSTPONE Resolution No. 14**
Motion By: Legislator Gavaris
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Ronk

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Gavaris, Heppner & Ronk
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution POSTPONED**

Resolution No. 199: Setting A Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 6 Of 2022, A Local Law Amending Section C-101 B. Of The Ulster County Charter, Section A30-2 B. Of The Ulster County Administrative Code, And Section 216-5 Of The Code Of The County Of Ulster In Relation To Appointments To The Commission Of Human Rights, To Be Held On Tuesday, July 19, 2022 At 7:10 PM

Resolution Summary: This resolution sets a public hearing on Tuesday, July 19, 2022 at 7:10 PM to provide members of the public the opportunity to offer comments on Proposed Local Law No. 6 of 2022.

Motion No. 3: **Moved Resolution No. 199 FOR DISCUSSION**
Motion By: Legislator Ronk
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion:

Chair Heppner advised the members that they should have received earlier in the day additional amendments proposed by Legislators Erner and Petit, one of which requires Charter amendment and referendum. Legislator Erner stated that he had a conversation with Legislative Counsel Ragucci and it was determined that a referendum would be required because of the curtailment of Executive power.

Chairman Heppner stated that at the point of the calendar, the body does not have sufficient time to hold a public hearing, adopt the law, allow for an Executive public hearing and send notice to the Board of Elections for inclusion on the November 2022 ballot. He asked for a motion to postpone giving the members time to review the proposed amendments considering there is not time sensitivity.

Legislator Ronk stated that he was prepared to vote no on the proposed law.

Motion No. 4: **MOTION TO POSTPONE Resolution No. 199**
Motion By: Legislator Ronk
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Levine

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Gavaris, Heppner, Levine & Ronk
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 5
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution POSTPONED**

Chairman Heppner asked if there was any other business and hearing none;

Adjournment

Motion Made By: Legislator Ronk
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

No. of Votes in Favor: 6
No. of Votes Against: 0

TIME: 5:04 PM

Respectfully submitted: Deputy Clerk Mahler
Minutes Approved: July 14, 2022