

ULSTER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

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MINUTES

PUBLIC HEARINGS & REGULAR MEETING

TUESDAY, JULY 15, 2025

7:00 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: 7:07 PM

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:** 23 **Absent:** 0

7:00 PM – CALL OF THE 1st PUBLIC HEARING BY CLERK: 7:10 PM

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

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

PUBLIC HEARING ADJOURNED: 7:11 PM

Motioned by Legislator Litts, Seconded by Majority Leader Uchitelle

7:05 PM – CALL OF THE 2nd PUBLIC HEARING BY CLERK: 7:11 PM

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

PUBLIC COMMENT: There was three (3) speakers signed up for public comment.

1. David Donaldson (former Chair & Legislator) – Spoke in support of the Proposed Local Law
2. Sarah Christiansen, Saugerties – County employee & CSEA member, spoke in support of the Proposed Local Law and on CSEA contract, raises, lack of part-time employee benefits.
3. Pat Sheehan, Ulster – Spoke in support of the Proposed Local Law

PUBLIC HEARING ADJOURNED: 7:20 PM

Motioned by Legislator Kitchen, Seconded by Legislator Litts

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7:10 PM – CALL OF THE 3rd PUBLIC HEARING BY CLERK: 7:20 PM

On Proposed Local Law No. 3 Of 2025, A Local Law To Ensure the Safety of Vulnerable Road Users in Ulster County

PUBLIC COMMENT: There were six (5) speakers signed up for public comment.

1. Rosemary Quinn, Kingston – Spoke in favor of Proposed Local Law No. 3.
2. Pat Sheehan, Ulster – Spoke in favor of Proposed Local Law No. 3.
3. Chris Allen, Saugerties – Spoke in favor of Proposed Local Law No. 3.
4. Howard Cohen, Woodstock – Spoke in favor of Proposed Local Law No. 3.
5. Emalyea Swon Young – Spoke in favor of Proposed Local Law No. 3.

An additional 9 written public comments were received (see attached).

PUBLIC HEARING ADJOURNED: 7:31 PM

Motioned by Legislator Litts, Seconded by Majority Leader Uchitelle

7:15 PM – CALL OF THE 4th PUBLIC HEARING BY CLERK: 7:31 PM

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

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

PUBLIC HEARING ADJOURNED: 7:32 PM

Motioned by Legislator Litts, Seconded by Majority Leader Uchitelle

BIRTHDAYS:

Legislator Chris Hewitt

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

Majority Leader Uchitelle motioned, Seconded by Legislator Kitchen to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting. All in favor.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM:

Ulster County Clerk of the Legislature, Victoria Fabella

Legislative News

Anonymous

Catskill Watershed Corporation

Concern Citizens (13)

Concern Citizens (1)

Alisha Clark

Austin Tore

Hudson 7

Huguenot Street

Jillian Fried, Hurley

FOIL Response – Austin Tore

FOIL Response – Alisha Clark

FOIL Response – Kyria DeGrow

Ulster County Legislature Bans the Inhumane Use of Glue Traps for Rodent Control in County Buildings (also Spanish Translation Available)

Letter – Regarding Wages

Notice of Preliminary Decisions – July 2, 2025

Opposed to Resolution No. 342

Email – In Favor Of Rail With Trail

FOIL Request – Requesting Copies of All Insurance Policies, Indemnification agreements, or Related Documents that Provide Coverage for Judge Anthony McGinty in His Capacity as a Supreme Court Judge in Ulster County

FOIL Request –Address Records for Short-Term Rental (STR) Properties 2024-2025

Agenda – July 9, 2025 & Minutes – June 11, 2025

Historic Huguenot Street Receives Twila Snead Commitment to Excellence Award

Email –Concerns Regarding Proposed BESS Facility at 430 Hurley Ave, Hurley, NY

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COMMUNICATIONS FROM (continued):

Kyria DeGrow, Mackinac Center for Public Policy

NYS Department of Transportation

Ulster County Budget Department

Ulster County Chamber of Commerce

Ulster County Comptroller

Ulster County Department of General Services

Ulster County Department of General Services

FOIL Request – Information pertaining to county employee union membership and dues

Press Release – Stewart Airport Deserves a Fighting Chance

BA2024-00007102 – GASB Closing Entry Per Finance

Ribbon Cutting – Ulster Vintage Baseball Association Kingston Guards – Sunday, June 29, 2025 @ 12:00 PM – Kingston Plaza – Herzog's Baseball Field, Kingston

Ribbon Cutting – Apple Greens Golf Course 30 Year Anniversary – Friday, June 27, 2025 @ 10:00 AM – 161 South Street, Highland

Media Advisory – Ulster County Comptroller March Gallagher's Statement On the Enacted Federal Budget

Non-Commodity Solicitations:

RFP-UC25-143C - Vertical Platform Lift Installation

RFB-UC25-144C – RTU Replacement at Ulster County Law Enforcement Center

RFQ-UC25-020 – Undesignated U&D Corridor Development Feasibility Study

RFQ-UC25-019 – Zero Waste Implementation Plan

RFB-UC25-049 – Bus Transportation Services For SUNY Ulster

SOQ-UC25-052 – Affordable Housing Development For 51 Center St., Ellenville

RFB-UC25-048 – Elevator Inspection Services

May 2025 Executed Contracts List

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COMMUNICATIONS FROM (continued):

Ulster County Department of Health

Announcement “We are Public Health”
Campaign – Friday, July 25th @ 6:00 PM
at CronArt Gallery, New Paltz

Ulster County Department of Tourism

UC Top July Events

Ulster County Personnel Department (18)

Civil Service Exams/Job Announcements

Ulster County Planning Department

Agricultural and Farmland Protection
Board Minutes – February and May 2025

Agenda for July 2nd & June 4th Minutes

Ulster County Prevention Council

Ulster County Substance Abuse
Prevention Board Agenda & Minutes –
June 13, 2025 also SAP Board School
Year Update

Ulster County Veterans Services

July 19th – Christmas in July at Cantine
Field @ 7:00 PM – The Ulster County
Toys for Tots

July 19th – Men of Bronze screening at
Purple Hearth Hall of Honor, New
Windsor

July 19th - 5th Annual “Let’s Ride to
Support our Veterans” @ 9:00 AM– The
Inn at Leeds – Main Street, Leeds NY

July 25th & August 29th – Kingston Elks
#550 Lodge Monthly Wing Night to
Support Veterans @ 5:00 PM – 143
Hurley Ave, Kingston

July 28th – 42nd Infantry Division
“Rainbow” Association West Point Golf
Outing, Continental Breakfast From 9:00
am-10:15 AM

Renegades Veterans Appreciation Game -
August 9th – Gates Open at 2:30 PM -
Opening Ceremony at 4:00 PM and First
Pitch at 5:05 PM

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COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS:

Media Advisory – UCAT Expands Summer Service to Ulster County Pool in New Paltz Beginning June 25th

Media Advisory – Ulster County Human Rights Commission Launches Inaugural Community Recognition Award

Press Release – Sarah Kramer-Harrison to Serve as County’s First Director of Arts, Culture, and Open Spaces

Press Release - Ulster County Announces Funding Opportunity and Informational Webinar for Projects Supporting the Lower Esopus Creek

Press Release – Statements from Everett Erichsen, Emergency Services Director, and County Executive Jen Metzger, Regarding Incident at Ulster County Pool

Press Release – Shandaken Resident Gigi Loizzo Appointed to Olympic Regional Development Authority Board

Press Release – Ulster County Executive Jen Metzger Announces Return of ‘Safe Start to Summer’ Road Safety Campaign

Press Release – Ulster County Secure \$1,000,000 State funding for New Paltz

Water/Sewer Infrastructure to Support New Housing

Press Release – Ulster County Advances Affordable Housing Initiative at Elizbeth Manor Property in Kingston

ANNUAL REPORT:

Ulster County Sheriff - 2024

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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:

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June 9, 2025

June 12, 2025

MEMORIALIZING LETTERS:

To Congress Riley & Ryan Regarding Elimination of LGBTQ Suicide Prevention Services

To NYS DEC & DEH Seeking Statewide Comprehensive PFAS Regulations

PUBLIC COMMENT (on Resolutions currently before the Legislature): There were four (4) signed up for public comment.

1. Peter Hamblin, Shawangunk – Spoke against Resolution No. 327 – Agricultural and Farmland.
2. Raleigh Green, Hurley – Spoke against Proposed Local Law No. 4 - A Local Law Providing For The Protection And Restoration Of The Esopus Creek, Rondout Creek And Wallkill Rivers.
3. Chris Allen, Saugerties – Spoke in favor of Resolution No. 339 – Real Property Tax Exemption.
4. Joyce Hamblin, Shawangunk – Spoke about Resolution No 327, She shared concerns about wild livestock coming onto their property, trampling their flowers, and causing flies around their vehicles. She asked where to submit photos showing these problems and was told to give them to the clerk of the legislature.

**RESOLUTION NOS: 320 – 341, 343 – 368; 470 of 2024, 209, 225, 245, 275, & 342 - POSTPONED;
178 – NO ACTION TAKEN; 273 – PETITION TO DISCHARGE
EXECUTED FOR AUGUST; 52 – PETITION TO DISCHARGE PENDING**

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Resolution No. 470 of 2024 – 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 Thermoform Plastic, To Be Held On Tuesday, August 19, 2025 At 7:00 PM

Postponed in Committee.

Resolution No. 209 - Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute A Service Agreement With The Ulster County Resource Recovery Agency – Department Of The Environment

Postponed in Committee.

Resolution No. 225 - Updating The Ulster County Pedestrian And Bicycle Policy

Postponed in Committee.

Resolution No. 245 - Calling For Enhanced Security Measures, Including Magnetometers And Airport-Style Screening, At the Ulster County Office Building During All Hours Of Public Access

Postponed in Committee.

Resolution No. 275 - Amending Resolution No. 275 Of 2014 As Amended, Establishing A Policy For A “Rail With Trail” Along The County-Owned Ulster And Delaware Railroad Corridor

Postponed in Committee.

Resolution No. 342 - Amending Resolution No. 275 Of 2014 As Amended, Establishing A Policy For A “Rail With Trail” Along The County-Owned Ulster And Delaware Railroad Corridor For Increased Available Railroad Operation

Postponed in Committee.

Resolution No. 178 - Setting A Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 4 Of 2025, A Local Law Providing For The Protection And Restoration Of The Esopus Creek, Rondout Creek And Wallkill River In Ulster County, And Providing For The Rights Of The Residents Of Ulster County To Clean Water And A Healthy And Productive Ecosystem, To Be Held On Tuesday, August 19, 2025 At 7:05 PM

No Action in Committee.

Resolution No. 273 - Opposing The Establishment Of A County-Wide Landfill Anywhere Within The Geographical Boundaries Of Ulster County, And Urging The Exploration Of Alternative Locations And Waste Management Solutions

Petition to Discharge, Executed for August.

Resolution No. 52 - Adopting The Ulster County Fleet Vehicle Take-Home Policy

Petition to Discharge Pending.

	Consent
320	<p>Amending The 2025 Ulster County Budget To Transfer Funds Within The Department Of The Environment To Establish A Staff Position Supporting Watershed Management Implementation And Authorizing Submission Of A Grant Application To Reduce County Costs</p> <p>ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:</p> <p>AYES: 23 NOES: 0</p>
321	<p>Establishing Capital Project No. 736 Site Ready Services For 2025 Electric Vehicle Charging Stations – Amending The 2025 - 2030 Capital Improvement Program - Amending The 2025 Capital Fund Budget - Department Of Public Works (Buildings & Grounds)</p> <p>ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:</p> <p>AYES: 23 NOES: 0</p>
323	<p>Authorizing The Planning Department To Submit An Application To The New York Environmental Facilities Corporation (NYSEFC) Via The NYSEFC Customer Portal – Department Of Planning</p> <p>ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:</p> <p>AYES: 23 NOES: 0</p>
324	<p>Authorizing The Department Of Budget To Submit Various Grant Applications Via The New York State Consolidated Funding Application (CFA) – Department Of Budget</p> <p>ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:</p> <p>AYES: 23 NOES: 0</p>
326	<p>Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$71,080.80 Entered Into By The County – Sedara, LLC – Department Of Information Services</p> <p>ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:</p> <p>AYES: 23 NOES: 0</p>

327	Adopting The Inclusion Of Additional Lands In Agricultural Districts Within Ulster County As Recommended By The Ulster County Agricultural And Farmland Protection Board – Department Of Planning MOVED TO NON-CONSENT
328	Setting A Public Hearing To Satisfy The Public Participation Requirements Of the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) - Department Of Economic Development ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE: AYES: 23 NOES: 0
329	Amending Capital Project No. 541 SUNY Ulster Facilities Equipment – Amending The 2025 Capital Fund Budget – SUNY Ulster ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE: AYES: 23 NOES: 0
331	Amending Capital Project No. 542 HVAC Upgrades Campuswide - Amending The 2025 Capital Fund Budget – SUNY Ulster ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE: AYES: 23 NOES: 0
333	Amending Capital Project No. 546 SUNY Ulster Technology Upgrade – Amending The 2025 Capital Fund Budget – SUNY Ulster ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE: AYES: 23 NOES: 0
335	Amending Capital Project No. 701 SUNY Ulster Minor Critical Maintenance - Amending The 2025 Capital Project Fund – SUNY Ulster ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE: AYES: 23 NOES: 0

337	Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$235,916.66 Entered Into By The County – Family Of Woodstock Inc. – Youth Bureau ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE: AYES: 23 NOES: 0
340	Establishing Capital Project No. 737 For UCAT < 30' Rolling Stock Purchase 2025 - Amending The Capital Fund Budget – Ulster County Area Transit (UCAT) ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE: AYES: 23 NOES: 0
343	Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$19,500.00, Causing The Aggregate Contract Plus Amendment Amount To Be In Excess Of \$50,000.00, Entered Into By The County – Jewish Family Services Of Ulster County Inc. – Office For The Aging ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE: AYES: 23 NOES: 0
344	Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$90,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Children's Home Of Wyoming Conference – Department Of Social Services ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE: AYES: 23 NOES: 0
345	Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$90,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Children's Home Of Wyoming Conference – Department Of Social Services ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE: AYES: 23 NOES: 0

346	Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$70,359.00 Entered Into By The County – United Way Of Ulster County Inc. – Department Of Social Services ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE: AYES: 23 NOES: 0
347	Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute A Contract With The New York State Office Of Addiction Services And Supports – Department Of Mental Health ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE: AYES: 23 NOES: 0
348	Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$2,662.00, Causing The Aggregate Contract Plus Amendment Amount To Be In Excess Of \$50,000.00, Entered Into By The County – Family Of Woodstock Inc. – Department Of Mental Health ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE: AYES: 23 NOES: 0
349	Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$7,650.00, Causing The Aggregate Contract Plus Amendment Amount To Be In Excess Of \$50,000.00, Entered Into By The County – Rehabilitation Support Services, Inc. – Department Of Mental Health ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE: AYES: 23 NOES: 0
350	Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$488.00, Causing The Aggregate Contract Plus Amendment Amount To Be In Excess Of \$50,000.00, Entered Into By The County – Mental Health Association In Ulster County, Inc. – Department Of Mental Health ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE: AYES: 23 NOES: 0

351	Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$7,619.00, Causing The Aggregate Contract Plus Amendment Amount To Be In Excess Of \$50,000.00, Entered Into By The County – Family Services, Inc. – Department Of Mental Health ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE: AYES: 23 NOES: 0
352	Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Lexington Center For Recovery, Inc. – Department Of Mental Health ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE: AYES: 23 NOES: 0
353	Appointing Members To The Recycling Oversight Committee ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE: AYES: 23 NOES: 0
354	Appointing Members To The Ulster County Fire Advisory Board ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE: AYES: 23 NOES: 0
355	Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute A Contract With The New York State Division Of Criminal Justice Services – Department Of Probation ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE: AYES: 23 NOES: 0
357	Authorizing the Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With The Onteora Central School District To Provide Two (2) Deputy Sheriffs As School Resource Officers – Ulster County Sheriff ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE: AYES: 23 NOES: 0

358	<p>Authorizing the Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With The Rondout Valley Central School District To Provide Two (2) Deputy Sheriffs As School Resource Officers – Ulster County Sheriff</p> <p>ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:</p> <p>AYES: 23 NOES: 0</p>
359	<p>Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With The New York State Division Of Criminal Justice Services For Participation In The Crimes Against Revenue Program (CARP) – Ulster County District Attorney</p> <p>ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:</p> <p>AYES: 23 NOES: 0</p>
360	<p>Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Amend An Agreement With The New York State Unified Court System – Department Of Public Works (Buildings And Grounds)</p> <p>ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:</p> <p>AYES: 23 NOES: 0</p>
361	<p>Amending The 2025 Ulster County Budget- CHIPS / PAVE NY/ EWR / POP Funding Adjustment – Department Of Public Works (Highways And Bridges)</p> <p>MOVED TO NON-CONSENT</p>
362	<p>Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$151,720.00 Entered Into By The County – Access Anvil Corp. D/B/A Overhead Door Company Of The Hudson River Valley – Department Of Public Works</p> <p>ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:</p> <p>AYES: 23 NOES: 0</p>
363	<p>Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$139,500.00 Entered Into By The County – Jorrey Excavating, Inc. – Department Of Public Works</p> <p>ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:</p> <p>AYES: 23 NOES: 0</p>

364	Approving The Execution Of A Contract For Rates Anticipated To Exceed \$50,000.00, Entered Into By The County – Tectonic Engineering Consultants, Geologists & Land Surveyors, D.P.C. – Department Of Public Works ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE: AYES: 22 NOES: 0 (1 Abstention: Legislator Litts)
365	Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$82,751.00 Entered Into By The County – FST Technical Service, LLC – Department Of Public Works ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE: AYES: 22 NOES: 0 (1 Abstention: Legislator Litts)
366	Authorizing The Ulster County Commissioner Of Finance To Accept Redemption Offers Relative To Payment Of Real Property Taxes In The 2023 In Rem Foreclosure Proceeding ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE: AYES: 23 NOES: 0
367	Authorizing The County Of Ulster Pursuant To Section Four Of The Sales Tax Agreement With The City Of Kingston To Increase The Allocation Of Sales Tax Distributed To The Towns – Department Of Finance ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE: AYES: 23 NOES: 0
368	Authorizing Director Of Budget To Make Certain Transfers Of Funds – Department Of Budget ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE: AYES: 23 NOES: 0

	Non- Consent
322 BOND	<p>Authorizing The Purchase And Installation Of Electric Vehicle Charging Stations, For The Department Of Public Works Of The County Of Ulster, New York, At A Maximum Estimated Cost of 1,485,000.00, And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$1,485,000.00 Serial Bonds Of Said County To Pay The Cost Thereof</p> <p>ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:</p> <p>AYES: 22 NOES: 1 (Noes: Legislator Maloney)</p>
325	<p>Amending The Policy Adopted Pursuant To Resolution No. 78 Of 2024, Requiring Nonprofit Vendors To Comply With Applicable Financial Reporting And Tax Filing Regulations, In Relation to Effective Date</p> <p>ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:</p> <p>AYES: 17 NOES: 6 (Noes: Legislators Kitchen, Kovacs, Litts, Lopez, Maloney, and Roberts)</p>
327	<p>Adopting The Inclusion Of Additional Lands In Agricultural Districts Within Ulster County As Recommended By The Ulster County Agricultural And Farmland Protection Board – Department Of Planning</p> <p>Legislator Nolan motioned, seconded by Legislator Kovacs, to refer the Resolution back to the Economic Development, Planning, Education, Employment, Arts and Agriculture Committee.</p> <p>MOTION ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:</p> <p>AYES: 23 NOES: 0</p>
330 BOND	<p>Authorizing The Purchase Of Facilities Equipment At The Ulster County Community College Campus At SUNY Ulster, In And For The County Of Ulster, New York, At A Maximum Estimated Cost Of \$50,000.00, And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$50,000.00 Bonds Of Said County To Pay The Cost Thereof</p> <p>ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:</p> <p>AYES: 22 NOES: 1 (Noes: Legislator Maloney)</p>

<p>332 BOND</p>	<p>Authorizing Campuswide Heating, Ventilating, And Air Conditioning Improvements At The Ulster County Community College Campus At SUNY Ulster, In And For The County Of Ulster, And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$1,000,000.00 Bonds Of Said County To Pay The Cost Thereof</p> <p>ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:</p> <p>AYES: 23 NOES: 0</p>
<p>334 BOND</p>	<p>Authorizing Technology Upgrades At The Ulster County Community College Campus At SUNY Ulster, In And For The County Of Ulster, New York, At A Maximum Estimated Cost Of \$290,000.00, And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$290,000.00 Bonds Of Said County To Pay The Cost Thereof</p> <p>ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:</p> <p>AYES: 23 NOES: 0</p>
<p>336 BOND</p>	<p>Authorizing Minor Critical Improvements To Facilities At The Ulster County Community College Campus At SUNY Ulster, In And For The County Of Ulster, New York, At A Maximum Estimated Cost Of \$500,000.00, And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$500,000.00 Bonds Of Said County To Pay The Cost Thereof</p> <p>ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:</p> <p>AYES: 23 NOES: 0</p>
<p>338</p>	<p>Authorizing The Required Steps For The Transfer Of Real Property Owned By Ulster County And Located At 21 Elizabeth Street City Of Kingston, NY (SBL 56.124-1-12) To The Ulster County Housing Development Corporation – Department Of Planning</p> <p>ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:</p> <p>AYES: 19 NOES: 4 (Noes: Legislators Kovacs, Lopez, Maloney, and Roberts)</p>

<p>339</p>	<p>Adopting 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</p> <p>ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:</p> <p>AYES: 19 NOES: 4 (Noes: Legislators Kovacs, Lopez, Maloney, and Roberts)</p>
<p>341 BOND</p>	<p>Authorizing Purchase Of Four (4) 30' Cutaway Buses, For The County Of Ulster, New York, At A Maximum Estimated Cost Of \$529,388.00, And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$529,388.00 Bonds Of Said County To Pay The Cost Thereof</p> <p>ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:</p> <p>AYES: 23 NOES: 0</p>
<p>356</p>	<p>Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With The Kingston City School District To Provide One (1) Deputy Sheriff As School Resource Officer – Ulster County Sheriff</p> <p>Legislator Kovacs motioned, seconded by Legislator Maloney, to refer the Resolution back to the Law Enforcement and Public Safety Committee.</p> <p>MOTION ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:</p> <p>AYES: 22 NOES: 1 (Noes: Legislator Nolan)</p>
<p>361</p>	<p>Amending The 2025 Ulster County Budget- CHIPS / PAVE NY/ EWR / POP Funding Adjustment – Department Of Public Works (Highways And Bridges)</p> <p>ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:</p> <p>AYES: 22 NOES: 1 (Noes: Legislator Hewitt)</p>

PUBLIC COMMENT (on subjects *not* currently before the Legislature): There were 2 speakers signed up for public comment.

1. Pati Dynes, Kingston – Suggested instituting a study for a book mobile.
2. Chad McPeake – Spoke on County workers pay concern.

MEETING ADJOURNED IN MEMORY OF: Read by Legislator Collins

Roy Hochberg, Glenford (Former Legislator)	Arnold Buley, Woodstock
Merethe Eide Mazzola, Marlboro	Carl Appler, Milton
Bruna Vari, Marlboro	Richard Gorash, Milton
Elene Yvonne Powder-Schoeps, Olive	Arnold Jones, Jr., Stone Ridge
Joseph Keefe, Woodstock	Vivian Burke, Claryville
Judith Mattox, Saugerties	Thomas J. V. Cole, Jr., Kingston
Stanley Yukoweic, Wallkill	Daniel Erle, Kingston
Arthur Althiser, Kingston	Mackenzie Richard Hornbeck, Charleston, SC
Frank J. Tomaseski, Kingston	Joyce VanAmburgh, Marlboro
Darlene F. Plavchak, Highland	Joseph A. Iorlano, Highland
Christine Marie Bassanese, Highland	Stewart Glen, Gardiner
Barbara Fairley, Kingston	David Maykenham, New Paltz

CLOSING WORDS – Chair Criswell called upon Legislator Chris Hewitt, District 21, to offer closing words. Theme – 4th of July.

NEXT MEETING:

The next Regular Meeting of the Ulster County Legislature will be held on Tuesday, August 19, 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, July 23, 2025.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:39 PM
Motioned by Legislator Litts
Seconded by Majority Leader Uchitelle



ULSTER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

2ND 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

TUESDAY, JULY 15, 2025

LEGISLATIVE CHAMBERS, 244 FAIR STREET, KINGSTON, NY

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Proposed Local Law Number 8 Of 2025

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 Amend Charter Article XXXIV Periodic Compensation Review Committee §C-110 And Administrative Code Article XXXIV Periodic Compensation Review Committee §A34-3

BE IT ENACTED, by the County Legislature of the County of Ulster, New York, as follows:

SECTION 1. LEGISLATIVE INTENT.

The Ulster County Legislature finds that Article XXXIV of the Ulster County Charter, Periodic Compensation Review Committee §C-110 and §A34-3 of the Administrative Code should be amended to provide that any salary modifications for members of the Ulster County Legislature enacted by local law pursuant to those sections be effective only after the commencement of the next ensuing legislative term of office after said local law was enacted.

SECTION 2. §C-110 (Duties) of the Ulster County Charter is hereby amended to read as follows:

At the call of its Chair~~man~~, the Committee shall review the salaries of all elected officials of the County of Ulster at least every second year after its first meeting. In the course of its deliberations, the Committee shall hold at least one public hearing and shall otherwise provide ample opportunity for public comment. The Committee shall provide its recommendations and the rationale for them to the County Executive and the County Legislature no later than June 30 of the same year in which it convened, except that the Committee shall not make recommendations concerning compensation of elected officials for whom, by law or judicial determination, the County Legislature does not have the power to fix compensation. Immediately upon their delivery to the County Executive and the County Legislature, the recommendations of the Committee shall be filed with the Clerk of the Ulster County Legislature and posted on the County website. All changes in salaries for elected officials shall be made by local law, **provided that any such local law effectuating changes in salaries for members of the Ulster County Legislature shall have an effective date commencing with the next ensuing Legislative term of office.**

SECTION 3. §A34-3 of the Administrative Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

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SECTION 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 and Ulster County Administrative Code, which shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Local Law shall become effective upon its filing with the New York Secretary of State.

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

Referred to: The Laws, Rules and Government Services Committee (Chairman Kovacs and Legislators Gavaris, Hansut, Harmon, Kitchen, Levine, and Uchitelle)

Chairman of the Laws, Rules and Government Services Committee, Jason Kovacs, offers the following:

WHEREAS, a public hearing is required to be held regarding 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); a public hearing will be held on Tuesday, July 15, 2025 at 7:05 PM in the Legislative Chambers, Ulster County Office Building, 6th Floor, 244 Fair Street, Kingston, New York; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, said Proposed Local Law No. 8 of 2025 is hereby submitted to the Ulster County Legislature, and adoption of such shall be contingent upon the conduction of a public hearing thereon; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Ulster County Legislature shall cause a legal notice of said public hearing to be published according to law; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that said public hearing will be held on Tuesday, July 15, 2025 at 7:05 PM in the Legislative Chambers, Ulster County Office Building, 6th Floor, 244 Fair Street, Kingston, New York, and/or via videoconference to the extent allowable pursuant to existing New York State legislation, or order and the Rules of the Ulster County Legislature,

and move its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 21 NOES: 0
(Absent: Legislators Harmon and Maloney)

Resolution No. 308 June 17, 2025

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

Passed Committee: Laws, Rules and Government Services as amended on June 12, 2025

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

\$300.00 – APPROXIMATE ADVERTISING COSTS

STATE OF NEW YORK

ss:

COUNTY OF ULSTER

I, the undersigned Clerk of the Legislature of the County of Ulster, hereby certify that the foregoing resolution is the original resolution adopted by the Ulster County Legislature on the 17th Day of June in the year Two Thousand Twenty-Five, and said resolution shall remain on file in the office of said clerk.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of the County of Ulster this 20th Day of June in the year Two Thousand Twenty-Five.

[s] Victoria A. Fabella
Victoria A. Fabella, Clerk
Ulster County Legislature

Fw: Hearing on Raises Tonight

From Victoria Ann Fabella <vfab@co.ulster.ny.us>

Date Tue 7/15/2025 6:27 PM

To Lizvett Noriega <lbos@co.ulster.ny.us>

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From: Mark Hoffstatter <mhoffstatter@hvc.rr.com>

Sent: Tuesday, July 15, 2025 5:29 PM

To: Victoria Ann Fabella <vfab@co.ulster.ny.us>

Subject: Hearing on Raises Tonight

[EXTERNAL SENDER]

Hi.

I just read in a Freeman newsmail that there will be a public hearing regarding the ethics of the proposed mid-term raises.

I happen to agree that proposing your own raises while in the middle of your term is ethically wrong.

Mark Hoffstatter

5 Bluestone Park Road

Saugerties, NY 12477

(mhoffstatter@hvc.rr.com)



ULSTER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

3RD PUBLIC HEARING: ON PROPOSED LOCAL LAW NO. 3 OF 2025, A LOCAL LAW TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF VULNERABLE ROAD USERS IN ULSTER COUNTY

TUESDAY, JULY 15, 2025

LEGISLATIVE CHAMBERS, 244 FAIR STREET, KINGSTON, NY

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Proposed Local Law Number 3 of 2025

County Of Ulster

A Local Law To Ensure the Safety of Vulnerable Road Users in Ulster County

BE IT ENACTED, by the County Legislature of the County of Ulster, New York, as follows:

SECTION 1. TITLE.

This Local Law shall be known and referred to as the “Ulster County Safe Passing Law”.

SECTION 2. LEGISLATIVE INTENT AND FINDINGS.

This Legislature finds and determines that it is the duty of Ulster County to protect the health, safety and welfare of its residents. This Legislature also finds and determines that many Ulster County residents ride bicycles for exercise, recreation, or as a primary mode of transport.

The Ulster County Legislature recognizes that bicyclists, pedestrians, and other vulnerable road users often need to share roadways with motor vehicles out of necessity. The Legislature also acknowledges that in these situations, vulnerable road users are susceptible to the actions of motor vehicle operators who can pose a threat to their health and safety if passing too closely or from the right side of the road.

Therefore, this Legislature finds it necessary to establish a minimum passing distance for motor vehicles approaching or passing vulnerable road users and to penalize those who disregard their safety.

SECTION 3. DEFINITIONS.

As used in this local law the following terms shall have the meanings indicated:

A. “Vulnerable Road User” (“VRU”) shall mean any of the following:

1. A pedestrian
 - a. An individual in a wheelchair or other device driven by muscular or any other kind of power that is designed for and used by a person whose mobility is limited by one or more conditions or functional impairments;
 - b. Persons using service animals, plus the animal itself;

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- c. An individual waiting to board, or just having alighted, mass transit including but not limited to a bus, taxicab, shuttle, train, ferry and streetcar;
 - d. Any other individuals existing upon a roadway and outside of any vehicles;
- 2. Any rider of a horse, mount or other animal, plus the animal itself;
- 3. An individual who is on the highway because the individual is engaged in construction, maintenance, repair or a similar function while on that part of the highway;
- 4. An individual who
 - a. is an emergency-services personnel, and
 - b. is acting in the course of their duties, and
 - c. is not in or on a motor vehicle, streetcar or other motor vehicle running only upon rails, motorized snow vehicle, traction engine, farm tractor, self-propelled instrument of husbandry or road-building machine;
- 5. An individual on a bicycle or on a motor-assisted bicycle;
- 6. A person who due to race or economic disparity has been excluded from the expectation of safe, accessible transportation.

SECTION 4. MINIMUM DISTANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR MOTOR VEHICLES PASSING VULNERABLE ROAD USERS.

The operator of a motor vehicle that is approaching or overtaking, from behind, a VRU on the same side of the road shall pass to the left of such VRU at a distance of at least three (3) feet until safely clear thereof. The three-foot distance requirement shall not apply on roads with clearly marked bicycle lanes as defined by New York Vehicle and Traffic Law § 102-a.

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Ulster County**

SECTION 5. PENALTIES.

A. Any person committing the above-referenced offense shall be guilty of a violation and subject to a fine not to exceed \$225 for a first offense, \$325 for a second offense and \$425 for any third or subsequent offense(s).

B. This section does not preclude a person from being charged with, convicted of, or punished for any other violation of law.

SECTION 6. SEVERABILITY.

In the event that any portion of this Local Law is found to be preempted by state law, or otherwise invalidated, 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 7. EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

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

Referred to: The Housing and Transportation Committee (Chairman Collins and Legislators Clinton, Corcoran, Harmon, Kitchen, McCollough, and Stewart), and The Laws, Rules and Government Services Committee (Chairman Kovacs and Legislators Gavaris, Hansut, Harmon, Kitchen, Levine, and Uchitelle)

Legislators Aaron Levine, Megan Sperry, and Abe Uchitelle offer the following:

WHEREAS, a public hearing is required to be held regarding Proposed Local Law No. 3 of 2025, (A Local Law To Ensure the Safety of Vulnerable Road Users in Ulster County); a public hearing will be held on Tuesday, July 15, 2025 at 7:10 PM in the Legislative Chambers, Ulster County Office Building, 6th Floor, 244 Fair Street, Kingston, New York; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, said Proposed Local Law No. 3 of 2025 is hereby submitted to the Ulster County Legislature, and adoption of such shall be contingent upon the conduction of a public hearing thereon; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Ulster County Legislature shall cause a legal notice of said public hearing to be published according to law; and, be it further

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and move its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 21 NOES: 0
(Absent: Legislators Harmon and Maloney)

Postponed in Committee: Housing and Transportation on April 3, 2025 with consent

Postponed in Committee: Housing and Transportation on May 8, 2025 with consent

Passed Committee: Housing and Transportation on June 5, 2025

Resolution No. 143 June 17, 2025

**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**

Passed Committee: Laws, Rules and Government Services on June 12, 2025

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

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[s] Victoria A. Fabella
Victoria A. Fabella, Clerk
Ulster County Legislature

Fw: Comment on Proposed Local Law No. 3 of 2025

From Victoria Ann Fabella <vfab@co.ulster.ny.us>

Date Tue 7/15/2025 3:17 PM

To Lizvett Noriega <lbnos@co.ulster.ny.us>

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From: Rob Bellinger <rbellinger@gmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, July 15, 2025 9:22 AM

To: Victoria Ann Fabella <vfab@co.ulster.ny.us>

Subject: Comment on Proposed Local Law No. 3 of 2025

[EXTERNAL SENDER]

Dear Ms. Fabella,

I am writing as a Kingston resident to voice my support of Proposed Local Law No. 3. This proposed law gives Ulster County the opportunity to lead New York State in the prevention of traffic violence.

Distracted and aggressive drivers pose the greatest threat to vulnerable road users. As a resident of the Washington Avenue corridor in Kingston, I witness speeding, driver phone usage, red light running, road rage incidents, and unsafe passing on a daily basis. Throughout Ulster County, it is clear that residents and visitors of all socioeconomic backgrounds rely on walking and cycling for transportation. The proposed law would help shield pedestrians and cyclists -- our neighbors -- from the threat of traffic violence, by holding drivers accountable for safe passing.

To date, the New York State Legislature has failed to act on this issue, allowing bills to die in committee year after year. This is Ulster County's chance to step up and take the lead. In doing so, we will save lives.

Sincerely,
Robert F. Bellinger

Fw: Support Local Law #3

From Victoria Ann Fabella <vfab@co.ulster.ny.us>

Date Tue 7/15/2025 3:14 PM

To Lizvett Noriega <lbnos@co.ulster.ny.us>

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From: Lee Gough <leejgough@gmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, July 15, 2025 1:00 PM

To: Victoria Ann Fabella <vfab@co.ulster.ny.us>

Subject: Support Local Law #3

[EXTERNAL SENDER]

Dear Ulster County Legislature,

I strongly support Local Law #3 of 2025, the Safe Passage Law for vulnerable road users.

I urge you to pass it as the mom of a young adult with an invisible disability that prevents her from driving at all (epilepsy). Such individuals (and really everyone !!) rely on you to demonstrate leadership in protecting them from injury or death, as does anyone using the streets who is not in a car.

I hope you will not only pass LL 3 but also fund the installation of illustrative signage upon all roadways entering Ulster County and throughout town main streets countywide informing travelers about the local law, so that motorists will be vigorously aware of it and so that it can be enforced.

This is another practical opportunity for our County to lead. Don't pass up safety!

Lee Gough
Esopus, NY

Fw: Comment on Proposed Local Law #3 of 2025 (Safe Passing)

From Victoria Ann Fabella <vfab@co.ulster.ny.us>

Date Tue 7/15/2025 3:14 PM

To Lizvett Noriega <lbos@co.ulster.ny.us>

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From: Dylan Moscoso <dylantmoscoso@gmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, July 15, 2025 12:27 PM

To: Victoria Ann Fabella <vfab@co.ulster.ny.us>

Subject: Comment on Proposed Local Law #3 of 2025 (Safe Passing)

[EXTERNAL SENDER]

Hello,

I urge the legislature to pass Local Law #3 of 2025, regarding an established safe-passing distance of three feet, providing enforcement and signage for the change.

Too often, a "bike lane" is a shoulder or other non-separated means for bicycles to travel alongside motorized vehicles: due to this, I highly recommend the removal of exceptions for roads with bicycle lanes.

Whenever possible, a motorist should yield an arms width when passing a bicycle; if there's an incoming vehicle, said motorist should wait until it's possible to pass safely with a 3-foot gap.

I've encountered too many close calls and ended up with drivers being upset at me for simply being present. Please continue to push action to protect cyclists, pedestrians, wheelchair users and all vulnerable road users, such as providing an adequate link from the end of the Wallkill Valley Rail Trail

into the City of Kingston; the Town of New Paltz has recently completed a separate bike path for their portion of the Empire State Trail, and completing this corridor is a necessary next step.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Dylan Moscoso
Vice Chair, Transit Riders and Intermodal Advisory Board
Committee Member, Bicycle-Pedestrian Committee New Paltz
25 MPH Campaign Manager, New York Bicycling Coalition

Fw: Prop. LL #3

From Victoria Ann Fabella <vfab@co.ulster.ny.us>

Date Tue 7/15/2025 3:14 PM

To Lizvett Noriega <lbos@co.ulster.ny.us>

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From: Phil <pme@riseup.net>

Sent: Tuesday, July 15, 2025 12:06 PM

To: Victoria Ann Fabella <vfab@co.ulster.ny.us>

Subject: Prop. LL #3

[EXTERNAL SENDER]

Dear Ulster County legislature:

I urge that you amend Proposed Local Law #3 of 2025, "Minimum Passing Requirement for Vulnerable Road User Protection in Ulster County" to remove the exception for "roads with clearly marked bicycle lanes," because in many places these lanes do not provide the minimum three-foot buffer which your legislation intends.

I further urge you to fund the installation of illustrative signage upon all roadways entering Ulster County informing travelers about the local law. The signs could show a car overtaking a bicyclist with double-arrows indicating 3 feet between them.

Other than that, please enact the law, and motor safely.

Sincerely,

a former colleague.

-- Phillie Phree Phaire אפרים משה Erner (he/they)

Fw: I SUPPORT THE Safe Passing Law

From Victoria Ann Fabella <vfab@co.ulster.ny.us>

Date Tue 7/15/2025 3:13 PM

To Lizvett Noriega <lbos@co.ulster.ny.us>

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From: Scott Workman <scottiee@gmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, July 15, 2025 9:24 AM

To: Abe Uchitelle <Abe.Uchitelle@co.ulster.ny.us>

Cc: Michael Tierney <miti@co.ulster.ny.us>; Victoria Ann Fabella <vfab@co.ulster.ny.us>

Subject: I SUPPORT THE Safe Passing Law

[EXTERNAL SENDER]

Hi Abe (Vicky and Michael cced),

Seeing that you are a sponsor, my support may not be necessary. Regardless, as a multimodalist (walk, bike, transit, drive, etc.), I urge you to continue your support for this law. It is a common sense law that requires little cost to implement. It would make sense to budget for some publicity and training for motorists and law enforcement officers.

Even if this saves one additional life, it would be worth the effort. It will be another tool in ensuring roadway users feel safe going about their activities.

Thanks,
Scott

Scott Workman, MCPD

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"Without facts, you can't have truth. Without truth, you can't have trust. Without trust, we have no shared reality, no democracy". -Maria Ressa

Fw: In support of Local Law 3

From Victoria Ann Fabella <vfab@co.ulster.ny.us>

Date Tue 7/15/2025 3:13 PM

To Lizvett Noriega <lbos@co.ulster.ny.us>

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From: Ari Goldstein <the.alphabet@gmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, July 15, 2025 8:06 AM

To: Michael Tierney <miti@co.ulster.ny.us>; Victoria Ann Fabella <vfab@co.ulster.ny.us>

Cc: rosemary quinn <rosemquinn@gmail.com>

Subject: In support of Local Law 3

[EXTERNAL SENDER]

Good morning,

I am emailing in support of local law three. It is important that Ulster County protects the safety of all of those who use the roads, not just those in cars. Traffic violence takes lives and causes harm to our citizens and communities just as any other form of violence would. Those most vulnerable to it (pedestrians, cyclist, and other non-motorists) should be protected to the full extent of our laws.

Ari Goldstein

Fw: Public Comment on Proposed Local Law No. 3 of 2025

From Victoria Ann Fabella <vfab@co.ulster.ny.us>

Date Tue 7/15/2025 4:57 PM

To Lizvett Noriega <lbnos@co.ulster.ny.us>

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From: Addie Smock <addiesmock@yahoo.com>

Sent: Tuesday, July 15, 2025 4:55 PM

To: Victoria Ann Fabella <vfab@co.ulster.ny.us>

Subject: Public Comment on Proposed Local Law No. 3 of 2025

[EXTERNAL SENDER]

I strongly urge you to amend Proposed Local Law #3 of 2025, "Minimum Passing Requirement for Vulnerable Road User Protection in Ulster County," to remove the exception for "roads with clearly marked bicycle lanes." As someone who has personally been hit by a car while I was riding in a bike lane, I know firsthand how quickly things can go wrong on the road. This exception undermines the very intent of the legislation: many marked bike lanes in our county do not provide the minimum three-foot buffer required for safe passing. Stripping this exception is essential to truly protect cyclists and other vulnerable road users.

-addie smock

Kingston, NY

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Fw: Form submission from: Legislative Committee Contact

From Victoria Ann Fabella <vfab@co.ulster.ny.us>

Date Tue 7/15/2025 5:03 PM

To Lizvett Noriega <lbos@co.ulster.ny.us>

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From: Ulster County Legislature via Ulster County Legislature <website@ulstercountyny.gov>

Sent: Tuesday, July 15, 2025 5:00 PM

To: Victoria Ann Fabella <vfab@co.ulster.ny.us>

Subject: Form submission from: Legislative Committee Contact

[EXTERNAL SENDER]

Submitted on Tue, Jul 15, 2025 - 5:00 pm

Name: Jonquil Mark

Email: Jonquil.Mark@Gmail.com

Message:

Hello Legislature, my name is Jonquil Mark and I wanted to voice strong support for Resolution No: 143.2 to help protect our Vulnerable Road Users.

There is a dangerous belief among many of our Ulster County drivers that it is not the responsibility of drivers to watch out for other people using the roads. This is a terrible and wildly dangerous mindset which I currently only see growing! This is an excellent step in the right direction to help protect the use of our roads for ALL of our road users, and remind our drivers that it is their responsibility to be aware and sharing the roads with Vulnerable

Road Users.

I grew up walking many roads in Ulster County, mostly in Woodstock and Kingston, either for joy or necessity. I now often hear people complain about how kids don't play outside anymore, but with the astounding increase in deaths and accidents - how could we possibly blame them? It is no longer safe to ride your bicycle to the park, or even a walk to the store.

I can't imagine an easier resolution to support.

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From Victoria Ann Fabella <vfab@co.ulster.ny.us>

Date Tue 7/15/2025 5:18 PM

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Sent: Tuesday, July 15, 2025 5:14 PM

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Submitted on Tue, Jul 15, 2025 - 5:14 pm

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Message:

On Proposed Local Law No. 3 Of

2025, A Local Law To Ensure the Safety of Vulnerable Road Users in Ulster County

I am a resident of the county and have been for most of my life. I love that our legislature is focusing on protecting walkers. Many pedestrians die while walking because they don't stand a chance against a car, so there needs to be good legislation there. This law may gain as much traction as the "Move Over" law, which has aided road workers and police officers in staying safe on the

roads. Drivers have to get the message: slow down, stay alert, and adapt to the world of new road conditions we have now. I hope the law saves lives and changes driver behavior for the better.

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ULSTER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

PUBLIC COMMENT: On Resolutions Currently Before the Legislature

TUESDAY, JULY 15, 2025

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✓ 4. Chris Allen	TOWN WHERE YOU RESIDE: Saugerties EMAIL:	334
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Ulster County legislator, Jen Metzger
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PROTEST PETITION

Resolution #: 327-25 Owners: Darin & Yvonne Clagg

Location: 17 Kobbs Korner Rd & 24 Kobbs Korner Rd Pine Bush, NY Town of Shawangunk

TO THE Ulster County Council:

We, the undersigned property owner, stand in opposition to the above resolution request as we feel it will cause hardship and infringe on our quality of life and the neighboring properties. We are afraid that adding parcel #98.2-1.17 to the existing farm will cause a repeat of history that happened at 65 Red Barn Rd where the property became over run with Livestock causing hardship to the neighboring properties and town. Parcel #98.2-1.17 consist of 2.19 acres and is already fenced in and presently has 5-7 horses/donkeys on it even though the property is currently zoned residential, the fencing is approximately within 10 feet of our property line on front of our home and against our property line on the side of our home. We are already experiencing foul odors, and an abundance of insects on our property and inside our home, and we are concerned about the stream that runs through the said property will become contaminated with fecal matter and urination possibly causing damage to our wells and or the stream. The farm that is located at 24 Kobbs Korner Rd (98.2-1-18) that has requested Resolution #327-25 to include the property located at 17 Kobbs Korner Rd (98.2-1-17) is in wetlands and mixed with Livestock waste appears to be causing the insect infestation and odors that we are experiencing on our property and in our home. We are also concerned that the above issues will de-value our homes and property.

We were just informed by our local legislator, Craig Lopez, that there was a public hearing on June 17th that none of the neighboring land owners were informed of and we are requesting that our concerns be considered before passing this resolution.

CONTACT PERSON

Name (print): _____

Name (signature): _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____



2 wks
ago

Cattle on our property



Cattle on our property



mules



Cattle on our front lawn



Flies on our vehicles



Flies on our property



mini horses mud & waste

manure pile 2-3 wks



Their dog. roaming free on our property



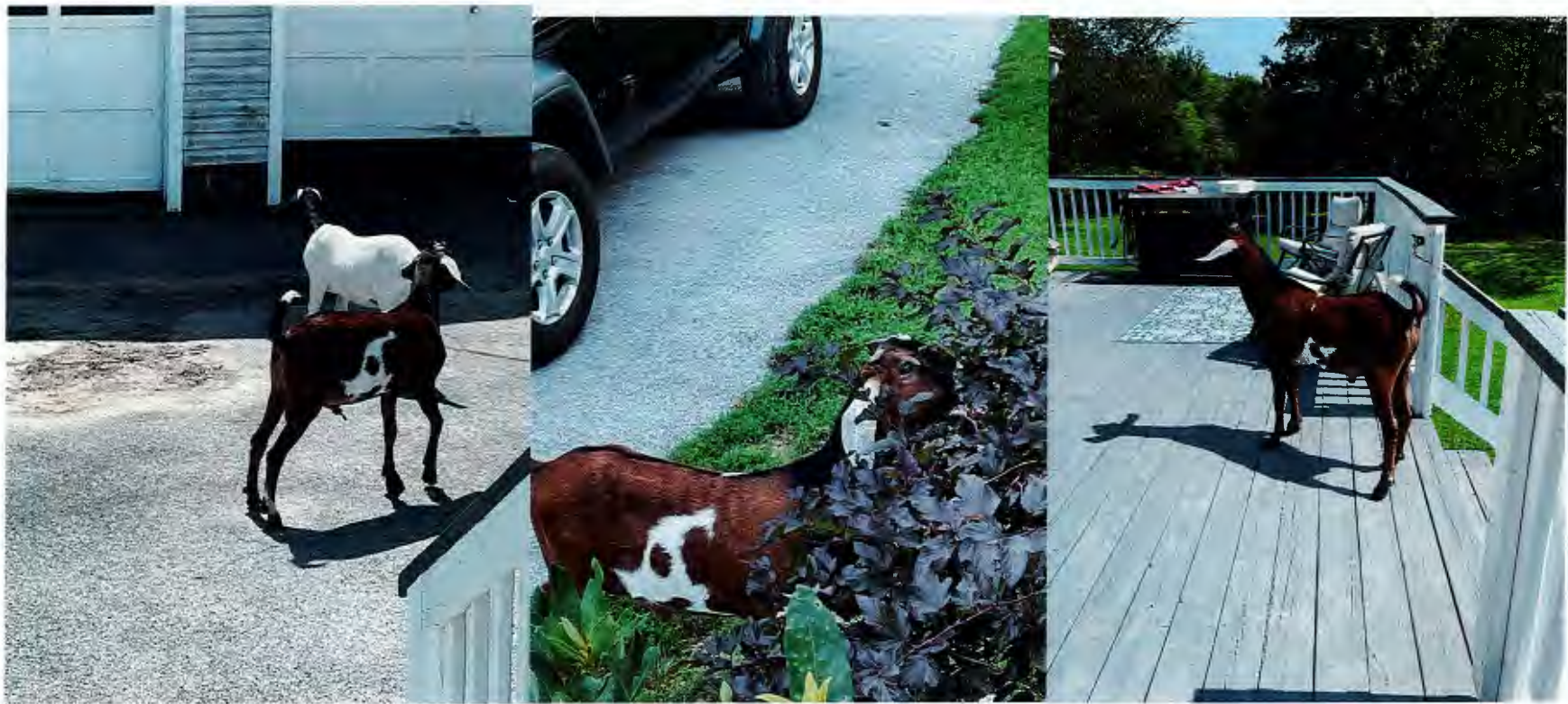
Mini Horse crossing Stream



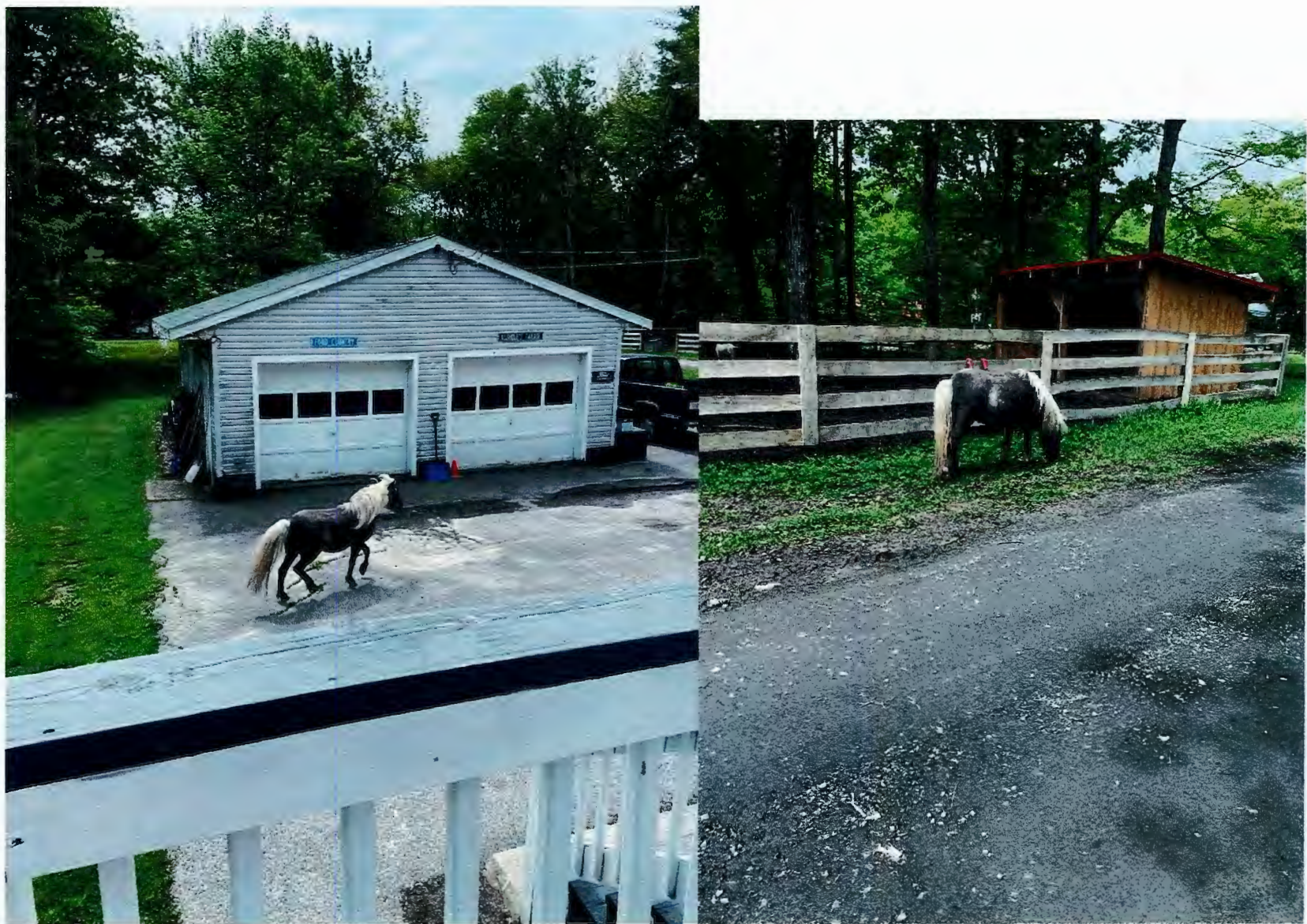
All 5 Livestock in small pen



Small Horse pen accross from
our driveway



last year goats on our property & deck



Mini horse on our driveway



ULSTER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

PUBLIC COMMENT: On Subjects *Not* Currently Before the Legislature

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