ULSTER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

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MINUTES

June 13, 2023

PUBLIC HEARINGS & REGULAR MEETING

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7:00 PM

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY CHAIR: 7:13 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 Session.

MICROPHONES

Please be reminded to use your microphones when speaking 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: 7:26 PM

On Proposed Local Law No. 6 of 2023: A Local Law Amending The Code Of The County Of Ulster, Chapter 131, Vehicles, County, Article I, Sustainable Green Fleet Policy, In Relation To Strategies And Goals

PUBLIC COMMENT: There was (1) speaker signed up for public comment.

1. <u>Cheryl Schneider, Bloomington:</u> Mrs. Schneider spoke about the importance of green energy sources to power green fleets.

PUBLIC HEARING ADJOURNED: 7:28 PM

Motion made by Legislator Litts, seconded by Majority Leader Heppner to adjourn the public hearing. All in favor.

7:05 PM - CALL OF THE 2nd PUBLIC HEARING BY CLERK: 7:28 PM

On Proposed 2023-2024 SUNY Ulster County Community College Budget

PUBLIC COMMENT: There were (2) speakers signed up for public comment.

- 1. <u>Deborah Briggs, Chair of SUNY Ulster Board of Trustees</u>: Mrs. Briggs spoke in support of the SUNY Ulster County Community College Budget to continue serving Ulster County residents with high-quality educational opportunities.
- 2. <u>Ryan Omar, SUNY Ulster Student Trustee</u>: Mr. Omar spoke in support of the SUNY Ulster County Community College Budget to continue supporting students and providing them opportunities.

PUBLIC HEARING ADJOURNED: 7:34 PM

Motion made by Legislator Litts, seconded by Majority Leader Heppner to adjourn the public hearing. All in favor.

7:15 PM - CALL OF THE 3rd PUBLIC HEARING BY CLERK: 7:34 PM

On the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Housing Program: Ulster County Homeownership Program 2021

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PUBLIC COMMENT: There were no speakers signed up for public comment.

PUBLIC HEARING ADJOURNED: 7:34 PM

Motion made by Legislator Litts, seconded by Majority Leader Heppner to adjourn the public hearing. All in favor.

7:20 PM - CALL OF THE 4th PUBLIC HEARING BY CLERK: 7:34 PM

Pursuant to Agriculture and Markets Law Article 25AA, Section 303-b Concerning the Addition of Land to Agricultural Districts

PUBLIC COMMENT: There was (1) speaker signed up for public comment.

1. <u>Brian Knight, New Paltz</u>– Mr. Knight expressed concern about the reasons a parcel of land in New Paltz has not qualified to be added to an Agricultural District.

PUBLIC HEARING ADJOURNED: 7:38 PM

Motion made by Legislator Litts, seconded by Majority Leader Heppner to adjourn the public hearing. All in favor.

7:25 PM - CALL OF THE 5th PUBLIC HEARING BY CLERK: 7:39 PM

On Proposed Local Law No. 5 of 2023: A Local Law Amending Chapter 216 Of The Code Of The County Of Ulster, Human Rights, In Relation To Gender Expression

PUBLIC COMMENT: There were (13) speakers signed up for public comment.

- 1. <u>Andy Izenson, Senior Legal Director, Chosen Family Law Center</u> Mx. Izenson shared personal testimony about gender discrimination and spoke in support of human rights for trans and gender non-conforming individuals and Proposed Local Law No. 5 of 2023.
- 2. <u>Bruce Ginsberg, Ulster County Human Rights Commissioner</u> Mr. Ginsberg spoke on behalf of the Ulster County Human Rights Commission in support of Proposed Local Law No. 5 of 2023.
- 3. <u>Timmy Bruck, Jr., Kingston</u> Mrs. Bruck shared personal experience as a drag performer and trans person and spoke in support of Proposed Local Law No. 5 of 2023.

PUBLIC COMMENT (continued)

- 4. <u>Cheryl Schneider, Bloomington</u> Mrs. Schneider shared personal testimony about gender expression and spoke in support of Proposed Local Law No. 5 of 2023.
- 5. <u>Diana Zuckerman</u>, <u>Ulster County Human Rights Commission Secretary</u>, <u>Amnesty International Mid-Hudson Coordinator</u>, <u>Advisor to Rondout Valley High School Human Rights Club</u> Ms. Zuckerman shared the personal testimonies of Ulster County high school students and spoke in support of Proposed Local Law No. 5 of 2023.
- 6. <u>Lanny Walters, Saugerties</u> Mr. Walters shared personal testimony about the effects of gender discrimination and spoke in support of Proposed Local Law No. 5 of 2023.
- 7. <u>Cal Trumann, Ulster Park</u> Mx. Trumann shared personal testimony about gender expression and spoke in support of Proposed Local Law No. 5 of 2023.
- 8. <u>Jack Pula, MD, Ulster County Resident</u> Mr. Pula shared personal testimony about gender expression and spoke in support of Proposed Local Law No. 5 of 2023.
- 9. <u>S. Lee Thompson Sheeley, Ulster County Resident</u> Mr. Sheeley shared personal testimony about gender expression and spoke in support of Proposed Local Law No. 5 of 2023.
- 10. <u>Fran Divine</u>, <u>New Paltz</u> Ms. Divine shared personal parental testimony about gender expression and spoke in support of Proposed Local Law No. 5 of 2023.
- 11. <u>John Schoonmaker</u>, <u>Saugerties</u> Mr. Schoonmaker spoke in support of Proposed Local Law No. 5 of 2023.
- 12. <u>Cis Jenner, Off-Duty Drag Queen</u> Ms. Jenner shared personal testimony about the effects of gender discrimination and spoke in support of Proposed Local Law No. 5 of 2023.
- 13. <u>Louis Braun, Paintball Sports, Inc.</u> Mr. Braun shared testimony about the effects of discrimination and spoke in support of Proposed Local Law No. 5 of 2023.

PUBLIC HEARING ADJOURNED: 8:09 PM

Motion made by Legislator Litts, seconded by Majority Leader Heppner to adjourn the public hearing. All in favor.

<u>Please Note</u>: Complete content of the public comment period can be heard on the Ulster County Legislative Website.

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BIRTHDAYS:

Legislator Aaron Levine, June 1st
Legislator John Gavaris, June 9th
Legislator Megan Sperry, June 20th
Clerk Victoria Fabella, June 22nd
Legislative Counsel David Gordon, June 26th

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

Minority Leader Ronk motioned, seconded by Majority Leader Heppner to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting. All in favor.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM:

UC Legislative Chair, Tracey A. Bartels

Recommendation Consideration for Inclusion of Viable Agricultural Land, Pursuant to Section 303-b of the AML

Thank You for 2023 SUNY Ulster Commencement Ceremony

Appt. Jannelle Koszarek, Town of Marlborough Municipal Representative, Ulster County Environmental Management Council

Appt. Erin Moran, Town of Woodstock Municipal Representative, Ulster County Environmental Management Council

Appt. Laura Hartman, City of Kingston Atlarge Representative, Ulster County Environmental Management Council

Appt. Penny Coleman, Town of Rosendale Municipal Representative, Ulster County Environmental Management Council

UC Legislative Chair, Tracey A. Bartels

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COMMUNICATIONS FROM (continued):

UC Legislative Chair, Tracey A. Bartels

Appt. Omari Washington, City of Kingston At-large Representative, Ulster County Environmental Management Council

Appt. Lisa McDonald, Ulster County Community Services Substance Abuse Subcommittee

Appt. Jeanette De Beaumont, Ulster County Community Services Board Persons with Developmental Disabilities Subcommittee

Appt. Maureen Sheehan, Ulster County Community Services Board Persons with Developmental Disabilities Subcommittee

Appt. Anne Flanagan Kelly, Ulster County Community Services Board Persons with Developmental Disabilities Subcommittee

Appt. Legislator Gina Hansut, Ulster County Community Action Inc. Board of Directors

Letter to Ulster County Community Action Committee, Inc. Executive Director Douglas Blancero Notifying Appointment of Legislator Gina Hansut to the Board of Directors

Thank You Letter to Legislator Laura Petit for Service on the Ulster County Community Action Committee, Inc. Board of Directors

Appt. Legislator Eric Stewart, Ulster County Electrical Licensing Board

Appt. Anne Zahradnik, Ulster County Executive Representative, Ulster County Board of Ethics

Thank You Letter to Legislator Kevin Roberts for Service on the Ulster County Electrical Licensing Board MINUTES PAGE 7 JUNE 13, 2023

Empire State Development

COMMUNICATIONS FROM (continued):

UC Legislative Chair, Tracey A. Bartels	Thank You Letter to Legislator Gina Hansut for Service on the Ulster County Trails Advisory Committee
	Appt. Legislator Tricia Bowen, District 20 Legislative Representative
	Appt. Valerie Naccarato, Director of Probation
	Appt. Legislator Chris Hewitt, Ulster County Trails Advisory Committee
Minority Leader Ronk and Republican Caucus	In Opposition to Housing Asylum Seekers in Ulster County

Legislative News	Press	Release,	Legislatur	e Seeks
	Applica	nts to Serve	on the Uls	ter County
	Resourc	e Recovery	/ Agency	Board of
	Director	'S		

Hudson River Drinking Water Intermunicipal Council	May Agenda & April Minutes
NYSERDA – New Construction Commercial Team	SF555900 – 10 Paradies Lane, Project Hold

	Notice	
S. Stern & J. Stern	Email, Public Comment, Support for Resolution No. 200	or
Ulster County Veteran Services Director Mark Cozzupoli	Veteran Related Communications	

Mid-Hudson Regional Office Updates

Rates, 6.1.23

NYS Department of Taxation and Finance	List of Certified 2023 State Equalization
	Rates, 5.18.23
	List of Certified 2023 State Equalization

NYS Environmental Facilities Corporation	Community Assistance: Virtual Q&A on
	May 26

Ulster County Tourism Department	June 2023 Trending Calendar of Events
Ulster County Compliance Committee	Agenda & Minutes - March 21, 2023
	Agenda & Minutes – April 26, 2023

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COMMUNICATIONS FROM (continued):

Ulster County Personnel Department

K. Carstensen

NYC Environmental Protection

Ulster County Regional Chamber of Commerce

NYS Public Service Commission

Ulster County Human Rights Commission

Concerned Citizens (4)

Ulster County Workforce Development Board

Civil Service Announcements

Email, Public Comment, Concern on

Emergency and Affordable Housing

Notice of Preliminary Decision - Stream

Management Program

Grand Opening, SATZ Hair

Grand Opening, Romeo Kia of Kingston

Grand Opening, Mill & Main

Subsequent Filing – Matter No. 21-01188,

April 27, 2023 DOB Meeting Transcript

Subsequent Filing – Matter No. 21-01188, April 25, 2023 DOB Public Statement

Hearing

Subsequent Filing – Matter No. 21-01188, Letter from the Indian Point Decommissioning Oversight Board to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission

Subsequent Filing – Matter No. 21-01188, Notice Announcing Meeting Concerning Indian Point Decommissioning

Subsequent Filing – Matter No. 21-01188, DOB QA 2023-02-02

Subsequent Filing – Matter No. 21-01188, Press Release – Indian Point Decommissioning Oversight Board and Indian Point Closure Task Force Hold Joint

Public Meeting

June Agenda

April Minutes

Email, Public Hearing, Support for

Proposed Local Law No. 5 of 2023

May Minutes

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COMMUNICATIONS FROM (continued):

Ulster County Industrial Development Agency

NYS Department of State

Ulster County Comptroller March Gallagher

Ulster County Planning Board

Morgan Duke Conservation Society

CSEA

Central Hudson

NYS Electric & Gas Corporation

Ashokan Release Working Group

Catskill Watershed Corporation

Orange County Legislature

New York State Association of Counties

S. Rosenblatt

D. Zuckerman

K. Panza

Notice of Public Hearing Resolution -Additional Taxable Bonds, Proposed Zinc8

Energy Solutions USA Inc. Project

Local Law No. 2 of 2023 Filing

Press Release, Ulster County Citizens Commission for Digital Inclusion Rallies Stakeholders to Take the NYS Internet Access Survey & NYS Internet Access

Survey Flier

June Agenda & May Minutes

Grant Support Request Letter

Workforce, Vol. 26, No. 6

EnergyCentral May 2023

Notices to Occupant of Intention to Discontinue Service Supplied to Landlord or Rental Property Owner by NYSEG (2)

Request for Department of Environmental Protection to Publish the Interim Release Protocol Waiver and Ashokan Reservoir Changes in Operation Information Related to the Delaware Aqueduct Shutdown

Notice of Preliminary Decisions

Resolution No. 157 of 2023

Interim 2023 Legislative Session Impact

Report

CountyNews, Vol. 55, No. 9

National Infrastructure Bank Zoom Town

Hall Invitation

Rondout Valley High School Human

Rights Club Fundraiser Invitation

Letter in Opposition to Res. No. 79

Letter, Public Hearing on Proposed Local

Law No. 6 of 2023

COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS:

Ulster County Charter Revision Commission

NYC Environmental Protection

Proposed Local Law No. 8 of 2023 Letter of Support

Response to Request to DEP for Ashokan Reservoir IRP Waiver

Press Release, Ulster County Executive Jen Metzger Appoints Roseann Daw as Commissioner of Finance, Subject to Legislative Approval

Statement Regarding Asylum Seekers

Press Release, Ulster County Waives Civil Service Exam Fees, Introduces Online Application Process

Press Release, Ulster County Accepting Applications for Accessory Dwelling Unit

Design Competition to Address Affordable Housing Shortage

Air Quality Impacts from Canadian Fires & Air Quality and Outdoor Activity Guidance for Schools

May 2023 Budgetary Transfers

Press Release, Ulster County to Host Juneteenth Freedom Celebration and Movie Screening on Friday, June 16

Press Release, Ulster County Bed Tax Increase Request Passes in NYS Legislature

Press Release, Ulster County to Host Veterans Cemetery Ribbon Cutting & Flag Day Ceremony on Wednesday, June 14

MEMORIALIZING LETTERS:

Supporting Passage of A.3484A(Gallagher), The LLC Transparency Act Supporting Passage of A.710(Hunter)/S.182(Jackson) to End Qualified Immunity

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ANNUAL REPORTS:

Ulster County Sheriff 2022 Annual Report

COMMITTEE REPORTS: DATE:

Economic Development, Planning, Education,	
Employment, Arts & Agriculture	May 2, 2023
Energy, Environment & Sustainability	May 4, 2023
Law Enforcement and Public Safety	May 4, 2023
Laws and Rules, Government Services	May 11, 2023
Health, Human Services & Housing	May 3, 2023
	May 18, 2023 Special Meeting
Public Works, Capital Projects & Transportation	May 8, 2023
Ways and Means	May 3, 2023
•	May 9, 2023
	May 16, 2023
American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), 2022	April 26, 2023

PRESENTATION:

Chair Bartels called upon Vice Chair Peter Criswell, District 7, to present a Proclamation on behalf of Ulster County to Berrie Sattler and Alex from The Trans Closet of the Hudson Valley in celebration of their work and declaring June as Pride Month in Ulster County.

Formed in 2018, The Trans Closet of the Hudson Valley is a mutual aid project "for and by members of the local trans community providing clothes, gender-affirming supplies, and other resources without question or cost." Focused on ending the stigma and stress associated with clothes shopping for transgender and nonbinary individuals, TCHV is structured as a thrift shop where everything is free, and where trans people can experience a safe space to explore gender expression in a welcoming setting. TCHV also provides supports and connections for trans and non-binary individuals and promotes the work of other 2SLGBTQIA+ justice organizations in the Hudson Valley.

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At Legislative Session on June 13, 2023, Legislator Maloney motioned, seconded by Legislator Ronk, to reconsider Resolution 200 of 2023: Opposing A County Wide Landfill On Two Specific Parcels Of Land In The Town Of Plattekill.

MOTION ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 18 NOES:

(Noes: Legislators Bartels, Bowen, Cahill, Heppner, and Uchitelle)

At Legislative Session on June 13, 2023, Legislator Roberts motioned, seconded by Legislator Nolan, to amend the resolution by striking a WHEREAS clause and a RESOLVED clause as indicated above.

MOTION ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 23 NOES: 0

Resolution No. 200 of 2023 - Opposing A County Wide Landfill On Two Specific Parcels Of Land In The Town Of Plattekill

ADOPTED AS AMENDED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: NOES:

(Noes: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Criswell, Gavaris, Greene, Heppner,

Levine, Stewart, and Uchitelle)

PUBLIC COMMENT (on items currently before the Legislature): There were (14) speakers signed up for public comment.

- 1. Gerard Dohrenwend, Plattekill Mr. Dohrenwend shared concerns about the siting of a landfill in Plattekill and spoke in support of Resolution No. 200.
- 2. <u>Linda Dohrenwend</u>, <u>Plattekill</u> Mrs. Dohrenwend shared concerns about the siting of a landfill in Plattekill and spoke in support of Resolution No. 200.
- 3. <u>Michael Lembo, Modena</u> Mr. Lembo submitted petition signatures from Plattekill residents in opposition of the siting of a landfill in Plattekill and spoke in support of Resolution No. 200.
- 4. Louis Braun, Paintball Sports, Inc. Mr. Braun shared environmental and proprietary concerns about the siting of a landfill in Plattekill and spoke in support of Resolution No. 200.

PUBLIC COMMENT (on items currently before the Legislature) (continued):

- 5. <u>Eli Kasera</u>, Mr. Kasera shared concerns about the COVID-19 vaccine and spoke in support of Resolution No. 134.
- 6. <u>Christina Brady, Saugerties</u> Mrs. Brady shared concerns about COVID-19 vaccine requirements and spoke in support of Resolution No. 134.
- 7. <u>Greg McCollough, Kingston</u> Mr. McCollough shared personal testimony about his experience with COVID-19 vaccine employment requirements and spoke in support of Resolution No. 134.
- 8. <u>Deborah Bickford, Highland</u> Mrs. Bickford shared environmental concerns about the siting of a landfill in Plattekill and spoke in support of Resolution No. 200.
- 9. <u>Diana Cunningham</u>, <u>Bloomington</u> Mrs. Cunningham shared concerns about COVID-19 vaccine requirements and spoke in support of Resolution No. 134.
- 10. <u>Diana Zuckerman</u>, <u>Rosendale</u> Ms. Zuckerman shared personal testimony about her experience with COVID-19 vaccine employment requirements and spoke in support of Resolution No. 134.
- 11. Melissa Hewitt, Accord Ms. Hewitt shared concerns about COVID-19 vaccine requirements and spoke in support of Resolution No. 134.
- 12. <u>George Jacobs, Kerhonkson</u> Mr. Jacobs shared concerns about COVID-19 vaccine requirements and spoke in support of Resolution No. 134.
- 13. <u>Matthew Gustafson, Wallkill</u> Mr. Gustafson shared concerns about COVID-19 vaccine requirements and spoke in support of Resolution No. 134.
- 14. <u>Dean DePew, Plattekill Deputy Supervisor</u> Mr. DePew shared environmental concerns about the siting of a landfill in Plattekill and spoke in support of Resolution No. 200.

A motion was made by Majority Leader Heppner, seconded by Minority Leader Ronk, to move Resolution Nos. 5, 123, 199, 332, 334, 338, 352, 365 and 368 out of the Non-Consent Agenda and into the Consent Agenda. All in favor.

RESOLUTION NOS: 5, 79, 123, 134, 199, 305, 322 – 329, 332 – 347, 350 – 363, 365 – 370; 486 of 2022, 86, 87, 124, 299, 330, 331, & 371 – POSTPONED; 126, 127, 309, 348, 349, & 364 – NO ACTION TAKEN; 88, 133 & 155 – WITHDRAWN BY SPONSOR

<u>Resolution No. 486 of 2022</u> – Adopting The Ulster County Information Services/ Information Technology Security Policy – Department Of Information Services

POSTPONED IN COMMITTEE

<u>Resolution No. 86</u> – Amending The 2023 Ulster County Budget To Create Two Fully Reimbursable Full-Time Positions – Ulster County Industrial Development Agency POSTPONED IN COMMITTEE

<u>Resolution No. 87</u> – Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$430,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Ulster County Industrial Development Agency *POSTPONED IN COMMITTEE*

<u>Resolution No. 88</u> – Amending The 2023 Budget To Provide Hudson River Watershed Alliance With Funding For Administrative And Program Support Services To Assist Various Agencies In Ulster County - Department Of Finance, Division Of Recovery And Resilience The Environment *WITHDRAWN BY SPONSOR*

<u>Resolution No. 124</u> – Setting A Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 3 Of 2023, A Local Law Amending Local Law No. 3 of 2019, 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, July 18, 2023 At 7:05 PM *POSTPONED IN COMMITTEE*

Resolution No. 126 – Dedicating Funding To Housing Justice *NO ACTION TAKEN*

<u>Resolution No. 127</u> – Establishing A Policy To Prioritize Meals For Ulster County Residents Living In Emergency Housing NO ACTION TAKEN

<u>Resolution No. 133</u> – Supporting New York State Senate Bill S182 and Assembly Bill A710 To End Qualified Immunity For Certain Defendants WITHDRAWN BY SPONSOR MINUTES PAGE 15 JUNE 13, 2023

<u>Resolution No. 155</u> – Setting A Public Hearing On The Sale And/Or Transfer Of Lands Owned By Ulster County Located At 701 Grant Avenue, Lake Katrine (Town of Ulster), To Be Held On Tuesday, July 18, 2023 At 7:10 PM WITHDRAWN BY SPONSOR

<u>Resolution No. 299</u> – Amending The 2023 Ulster County Budget - Authorizing Payment Of Retroactive COVID Pay – Ulster County POSTPONED IN COMMITTEE

<u>Resolution No. 309</u> – Placing A Spending Cap Of \$XX,XXX,XXX.00 On All Costs Related To The Proposed Government Operations Center At Paradies Lane In New Paltz NO ACTION TAKEN

<u>Resolution No. 330</u> – Dedicating Funding To Housing Affordability, Establishing A Policy For Its Use, And Authorizing The Release Of A Notice Of Funding Availability (NOFA) For 2023 – Department Of Planning

POSTPONED IN COMMITTEE

<u>Resolution No. 331</u> – Approving The 2023-2024 Ulster County Community College Budget – SUNY Ulster

POSTPONED IN COMMITTEE

<u>Resolution No. 348</u> – Confirming Appointment To The Ulster County Resource Recovery Agency NO ACTION TAKEN

<u>Resolution No. 349</u> – Confirming Appointment To The Ulster County Resource Recovery Agency *NO ACTION TAKEN*

<u>Resolution No. 364</u> – Establishing A Restricted Capital Reserve Fund For The Government Operations Center Of The County Of Ulster Under Section 6-C Of The New York State General Municipal Law *NO ACTION TAKEN*

Resolution No. 371 – Setting A Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 9 Of 2023, 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 Article II Legislative Branch §C-21 Filling Membership Vacancies, To Be Held On Tuesday, July 18, 2023 At 7:20 PM POSTPONED IN COMMITTEE

	Consent	
5	Setting A Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 12 Of 2022, A Local Law Providing For The Protection And Restoration Of The Hudson River, Also Known As Mahicannituck, And For The Rights Of The Residents Of Ulster County And The River To Clean Water And A Healthy And Productive Ecosystem, To Be Held On Tuesday, July 18, 2023 At 7:00 PM	
	ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:	
	AYES: 22 NOES: 0 (Legislator Lopez left at 9:01 PM)	
123	Establishing A Policy To Formalize Procedures Relating To Future Hiring Freezes	
	ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:	
	AYES: 22 NOES: 0 (Legislator Lopez left at 9:01 PM)	
199	Establishing A Policy To Provide Healthy, Locally Sourced Food To Those Facing Food Insecurity, Through Community Supported Agriculture	
	ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:	
	AYES: 22 NOES: 0 (Legislator Lopez left at 9:01 PM)	
322	Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Intermunicipal Agreement With The Town Of Gardiner, As An ARPA-SLFRF Subrecipient, To Fund The Rehabilitation Of An Existing Sewer District – Department Of Finance, Division Of Recovery And Resilience	
	ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:	
	AYES: 22 NOES: 0 (Legislator Lopez left at 9:01 PM)	

323	Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Intermunicipal Agreement With The Town Of Saugerties, As An ARPA-SLFRF Subrecipient, To Fund The Extension Of The Kings Highway Water And Sewer System – Department Of Finance, Division Of Recovery And Resilience	
	ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:	
	AYES: 22 NOES: 0 (Legislator Lopez left at 9:01 PM)	
324	Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Intermunicipal Agreement With The Town Of Shawangunk, As An ARPA SLFRF Subrecipient, To Fund The Extension Of The Route 208 South Sewer Extension – Department Of Finance, Division Of Recovery And Resilience	
	ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:	
	AYES: 22 NOES: 0 (Legislator Lopez left at 9:01 PM)	
325	Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Intermunicipal Agreement With The Town Of Wawarsing, As An ARPA-SLFRF Subrecipient, To Fund The Rehabilitation Of Two Wells Part Of The Napanoch Water District – Department Of Finance, Division Of Recovery And Resilience	
	ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:	
	AYES: 22 NOES: 0 (Legislator Lopez left at 9:01 PM)	
326	Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Intermunicipal Agreement With The Town Of Woodstock, As An ARPA-SLFRF Subrecipient, To Fund The Replacement Of A Well Supply For The Woodstock Water District – Department Of Finance, Division Of Recovery And Resilience	
	ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:	
	AYES: 22 NOES: 0 (Legislator Lopez left at 9:01 PM)	

327	Confirming The Appointment Of Roseann Daw As Commissioner Of Finance	
	ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:	
	AYES: 22 NOES: 0	
	(Legislator Lopez left at 9:01 PM)	
328	Adopting Proposed Local Law No. 4 Of 2023, 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 Establish The Department Of Budget	
	ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:	
	AYES: 22 NOES: 0	
	(Legislator Lopez left at 9:01 PM)	
329	Authorizing The Continuation Of Agricultural District No. 2 – Wallkill River – Towns Of Esopus, Gardiner, New Paltz, Plattekill, Rosendale, Shawangunk, And The Village Of New Paltz – Department Of Planning	
	ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:	
	AYES: 22 NOES: 0 (Legislator Lopez left at 9:01 PM)	
332	Approving An Increase In Funding For Capital Project No. 541 - SUNY Ulster – Facilities Equipment, And Amending The 2023 Ulster County Capital Fund – Ulster County Community College	
	ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:	
	AYES: 22 NOES: 0	
	(Legislator Lopez left at 9:01 PM)	
334	Establishing Capital Project No. 672 SUNY Ulster – Wayfinding – Amending The 2023 Capital Fund Budget – SUNY Ulster	
	ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:	
	AYES: 22 NOES: 0 (Legislator Lopez left at 9:01 PM)	

338	Approving The Execution Of An Amendment To The Intermunicipal Agreement With The City Of Kingston To Support The Pilot Program: Kingston Mobile Mental Health Team – Department Of Mental Health	
	ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:	
	AYES: 22 NOES: 0 (Legislator Lopez left at 9:01 PM)	
339	Amending The 2023 Ulster County Budget To Accept Additional Funding From The New York State Office Of Mental Health For Increased Funding For Minimum Wage Personnel Services Enhancements – Department Of Mental Health	
	ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:	
	AYES: 22 NOES: 0 (Legislator Lopez left at 9:01 PM)	
345	Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$133,088.34, Entered Into By The County – Family Of Woodstock Inc. – Youth Bureau	
	ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:	
	AYES: 22 NOES: 0 (Legislator Lopez left at 9:01 PM)	
Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$84,375.00, Entered County – Family Of Woodstock Inc. – Youth Bureau		
	ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:	
	AYES: 22 NOES: 0 (Legislator Lopez left at 9:01 PM)	

350	Conveying Parcel Of County-Owned Real Property Acquired Pursuant To Article 11 Of The Real Property Tax Law For Unpaid Taxes To The Town Of Shandaken – Department Of The Environment	
	ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:	
	AYES: 22 NOES: 0 (Legislator Lopez left at 9:01 PM)	
351	Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An MOU Between The New York State Division Of Criminal Justice Services And The Department Of Emergency Services For Access To Criminal Justice Information Services Files – Ulster County Department Of Emergency Services	
	ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:	
	AYES: 22 NOES: 0 (Legislator Lopez left at 9:01 PM)	
359	Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Amend A Contract With The New York State Division Of Criminal Justice Services For The Alternative To Incarceration Program – Department Of Probation	
	ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:	
	AYES: 22 NOES: 0 (Legislator Lopez left at 9:01 PM)	
363	Appointing Member To The Recycling Oversight Committee	
	ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:	
	AYES: 22 NOES: 0 (Legislator Lopez left at 9:01 PM)	

365	Setting A Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 7 Of 2023, A Local Law To Authorize County Registry For Domestic Partners, To Be Held On Tuesday, July 18, 2023 At 7:10 PM	
	ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:	
	AYES: 22 NOES: 0 (Legislator Lopez left at 9:01 PM)	
368	Establishing A Policy Prohibiting Dual Agency In Real Estate Transactions In Which The County Is A Purchaser, Seller, Lessor Or Lessee	
	ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:	
	AYES: 22 NOES: 0 (Legislator Lopez left at 9:01 PM)	
366	Setting A Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 8 Of 2023, 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 Provide Enhanced Transparency And Accountability Over County Finances, To Be Held On Tuesday, July 18, 2023 At 7:15 PM	
	ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:	
	AYES: 22 NOES: 0 (Legislator Lopez left at 9:01 PM)	
367	Amending The 2023 Budget To Provide Funding To The Ulster County Share Of Medicaid In Response To NYS Budget - Department Of Social Services, Division Of Medical Assistance, MMIS	
	ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:	
	AYES: 22 NOES: 0 (Legislator Lopez left at 9:01 PM)	

	Non-Consent	
5	Setting A Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 12 Of 2022, A Local Law Providing For The Protection And Restoration Of The Hudson River, Also Known As Mahicannituck, And For The Rights Of The Residents Of Ulster County And The River To Clean Water And A Healthy And Productive Ecosystem, To Be Held On Tuesday, July 18, 2023 At 7:00 PM MOVED TO CONSENT	
79	Urging New York State To Approve And Implement An Opt-Out Community Distributed Generation (CDG) Program In New York	
	ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:	
	AYES: 17 NOES: 5 (Noes: Legislators Corcoran, Fabiano, Litts, Roberts, and Ronk) (Legislator Lopez left at 9:01 PM)	
123	Establishing A Policy To Formalize Procedures Relating To Future Hiring Freezes	
	MOVED TO CONSENT	
134	Supporting Freedom Of Choice In Relation To COVID-19 Shots	
	ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:	
	AYES: 12 NOES: 10 (Noes: Legislators Bartels, Bowen, Cahill, Criswell, Heppner, Levine, Nolan, Sperry, Stewart, and Uchitelle) (Legislator Lopez left at 9:01 PM)	
199	Establishing A Policy To Provide Healthy, Locally Sourced Food To Those Facing Food Insecurity, Through Community Supported Agriculture	
	MOVED TO CONSENT	

305	Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$56,000.00 Entered Into By The County – C & S Engineers, Inc. – Department of Public Works	
	ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:	
	AYES: 20 NOES: 2	
	(Noes: Legislators Maloney and Roberts) (Legislator Lopez left at 9:01 PM)	
332	Approving An Increase In Funding For Capital Project No. 541 - SUNY Ulster – Facilities Equipment, And Amending The 2023 Ulster County Capital Fund – Ulster County Community College	
	MOVED TO CONSENT	
333 BOND	Authorizing The Purchase Of Construction And Maintenance Equipment At Ulster County Community College - SUNY Ulster, In And For The County Of Ulster, New York, At A Maximum Estimated Cost Of \$300,000.00, And Authorizing The Issuance Of An Aggregate \$300,000.00 Bonds Of Said County To Pay The Cost Thereof	
	ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:	
	AYES: 20 NOES: 2	
	(Noes: Legislators Erner and Petit) (Legislator Lopez left at 9:01 PM)	
334	Establishing Capital Project No. 672 SUNY Ulster – Wayfinding – Amending The 2023 Capital Fund Budget – SUNY Ulster	
	MOVED TO CONSENT	

335 BOND	Authorizing The Design And Installation Of Wayfinding Signage 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 \$250,000.00, And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$250,000.00 Bonds Of Said County To Pay The Cost Thereof	
	ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:	
	AYES: 20 NOES: 2	
	(Noes: Legislators Erner and Petit) (Legislator Lopez left at 9:01 PM)	
336	Adopting The Ulster County Department Of Health And Emergency Service Medical Reserve Corps Unit Organization And General Operation Policy Department Of Emergency Services	
	POSTPONED IN WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE	
337	Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Intermunicipal Agreement With The City Of Kingston, Where The County Is A Subrecipient Of The City's ARPA-SLFRF Funds, For The Renovation Of Elizabeth Manor, Department Of Finance, Division Of Recovery And Resilience	
	Legislator Maloney motioned, seconded by Legislator Gavaris, to refer the resolution back to the Public Works, Capital Projects and Transportation Committee and the Ways and Means Committee.	
	MOTION ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:	
	AYES: 15 NOES: 7 (Noes: Legislators Criswell, Erner, Greene, Heppner, Levine, Nolan, and Uchitelle) (Legislator Lopez left at 9:01 PM)	
	REFERRED BACK TO PUBLIC WORKS, CAPITAL PROJECTS AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE & WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE	

338	Approving The Execution Of An Amendment To The Intermunicipal Agreement With The City Of Kingston To Support The Pilot Program: Kingston Mobile Mental Health Team – Department Of Mental Health MOVED TO CONSENT	
340	Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$257,767.00 Entered Into By The County – Astor Services For Children & Families – Department Of Mental Health	
	ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:	
	AYES: 20 NOES: 2 (Noes: Legislators Maloney and Roberts) (Legislator Lopez left at 9:01 PM)	
341	Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$485.00, 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: 20 NOES: 2 (Noes: Legislators Maloney and Roberts) (Legislator Lopez left at 9:01 PM)	
342	Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$320,100.00, Entered Into By The County – Family Of Woodstock Inc. – Department Of Social Services	
	ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:	
	AYES: 19 NOES: 3 (Noes: Legislators Erner, Maloney and Roberts) (Legislator Lopez left at 9:01 PM)	

343	Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$100,000.00, Entered Into By The County – Family Of Woodstock Inc. – Department Of Social Services	
	ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:	
	AYES: 20 NOES: 2 (Noes: Legislators Maloney and Roberts) (Legislator Lopez left at 9:01 PM)	
344	Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$1,400,000.00, Entered Into By The County – Gateway Community Industries, Inc. D/B/A Gateway Hudson Valley – Office For The Aging	
	ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:	
	AYES: 20 NOES: 2 (Noes: Legislators Maloney and Roberts) (Legislator Lopez left at 9:01 PM)	
347	Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$55,575.00, Entered Into By The County – Capital Market Advisors, LLC – Legislature	
	ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:	
	AYES: 16 NOES: 6 (Noes: Legislators Corcoran, Fabiano, Hansut, Litts Roberts, and Ronk) (Legislator Lopez left at 9:01 PM)	
352	Amending Capital Project No. 482 – Countywide Radio System – Amending The 2023 Capital Fund Budget – Department Of Emergency Services	
	ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:	
	AYES: 22 NOES: 0 (Legislator Lopez left at 9:01 PM)	

353 BOND		An Additional \$299,999.00 Bonds Of The Pay Part Of The Cost Of The Upgrade To The Said County
	АΓ	OOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:
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Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature Agreement With Ulster County Board Of Cooperative Educ (BOCES) To Provide Two (2) Deputy Sheriff's As School R To Three (3) BOCES Locations – Ulster County Sheriff		Board Of Cooperative Educational Services puty Sheriff's As School Resource Officers
	AΓ	OOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:
		TES: 17 NOES: 5
		bes: Legislators Bartels, Bowen, Erner, Maloney, I Uchitelle)
		egislator Lopez left at 9:01 PM)
355	Causing The Aggregate Contrac	A Contract Amendment For \$11,858.00, it Plus Amendment Amount To Be In Excess The County – New York Communications Sheriff
	AΓ	OOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:
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		YES: 19 NOES: 3
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356	Approving The Execution Of	pes: Legislators Gavaris, Maloney and Roberts)
356	Approving The Execution Of Entered Into By The County – Sheriff	Des: Legislators Gavaris, Maloney and Roberts) egislator Lopez left at 9:01 PM) A Contract Amendment For \$147,069.00
356	Approving The Execution Of Entered Into By The County – Sheriff AD AY	Des: Legislators Gavaris, Maloney and Roberts) Egislator Lopez left at 9:01 PM) A Contract Amendment For \$147,069.00 Tyler Technologies, Inc. – Ulster County

357	Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$24,000.00 Causing The Aggregate Contract Plus Amendment Amount To Be In Exces Of \$50,000.00, Entered Into By The County – Verify Polygraph & Forensi Consultants, LLC – Ulster County Sheriff	
	ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:	
	AYES: 20 NOES: 2 (Noes: Legislators Maloney and Roberts) (Legislator Lopez left at 9:01 PM)	
358	Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$12,512.51, Causing The Aggregate Contract Plus Amendment Amount To Be In Excess Of \$50,000.00, Entered Into By The County – Visual Computer Solutions Inc. – Ulster County Sheriff	
	ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:	
	AYES: 20 NOES: 2	
	(Noes: Legislators Maloney and Roberts)	
	(Legislator Lopez left at 9:01 PM)	
360	Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$244,425.00 Entered Into By The County – Family Of Woodstock Inc. – Department Of Probation	
	ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:	
	AYES: 20 NOES: 2	
	(Noes: Legislators Maloney and Roberts) (Legislator Lopez left at 9:01 PM)	
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361	Amending The 2023 County Budget To Upgrade A Part-Time Family Court Assistant Public Defender Position To Full-Time And Raise The Pay Rate – Public Defender	
	ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:	
	AYES: 21 NOES: 1	
	(Noes: Legislator Gavaris) (Legislator Lopez left at 9:01 PM)	

362	Authorizing The Conveyance Of County-Owned Properties To The Original Owners – Department Of Finance	
	ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:	
	AYES: 20 NOES: 2 (Noes: Legislators Erner and Maloney) (Legislator Lopez left at 9:01 PM)	
365	Setting A Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 7 Of 2023, A Local Law To Authorize County Registry For Domestic Partners, To Be Held On Tuesday, July 18, 2023 At 7:10 PM	
	MOVED TO CONSENT	
368	Establishing A Policy Prohibiting Dual Agency In Real Estate Transactions In Which The County Is A Purchaser, Seller, Lessor Or Lessee	
	MOVED TO CONSENT	
369	Establishing A Policy To Provide Legislators With Restricted Access To The New World Financial Management System	
	POSTPONED IN WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE	
370	Authorizing Legislative Review Of Certain Non-Commodity Draft Bid Documents	
	POSTPONED IN WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE	

PUBLIC COMMENT (on subjects *not* **currently before the Legislature):** There was (1) speaker signed up for public comment.

1. <u>Cindy Howe, Ulster County Resident</u> – Ms. Howe shared personal testimony about financial and housing insecurity and requested rental assistance to safely remain in her home in Ulster County.

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MEETING ADJOURNED IN MEMORY OF:

Frank Boyer, Stone Ridge, NY
Arthur Cross, Esopus, NY
Rhoda Mones, Kingston, NY
Darlene Pfeiffer, Deerfield Beach, FL
Lois Frazzetta, Stone Ridge, NY
Derek Whittaker, Saugerties, NY
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Louis Benson, New Paltz

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Motion by Legislator Litts, seconded by Legislator to adjourn Legislative Session. All in favor.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 10:34 PM

NEXT MEETING:

The next Regular Meeting of the Ulster County Legislature will be held on **July 18, 2022 at 7:00 PM** in in the Legislative Chambers, Sixth Floor, Ulster County Office Building, 244 Fair Street, Kingston, New York.

Resolution deadline is Friday, June 23, 2023 at 12 Noon.

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From: Joseph Caserto < jcaserto@gmail.com>

Sent: Friday, June 9, 2023 3:40 PM

To: Gina Hansut < Gina. Hansut@co.ulster.ny.us>

Cc: Victoria Ann Fabella <vfab@co.ulster.ny.us>; exec <exec@co.ulster.ny.us>; Peter Criswell

<Peter.Criswell@co.ulster.ny.us>

Subject: Please Support the Drag Is Not a Crime Act

[EXTERNAL SENDER]

Dear Legislator Hansut:

I, your constituent and an active member of the LGBTQ+ community, am writing in support of Proposed Local Law Number 5 of 2023, the Drag is Not a Crime Act introduced by legislator Peter Criswell in response to the hate legislation passed in Tennessee and Arkansas and anti-drag bills pending in at least fourteen other states, and ask you to vote for its passage.

This law would broaden the scope of the Ulster County Human Rights Law to include Gender Expression as a protected class and to assist those who have been discriminated against in obtaining justice.

The Human Rights Campaign has officially declared a state of emergency for LGBTQ+ people in the United States following an unprecedented and dangerous spike in anti-LGBTQ+ legislative assaults. More than 75 anti-LGBTQ+ bills have been signed into law this year, more than doubling last year's number, previously the worst year on record.

Please vote in favor of enacting the Drag is Not a Crime Act into law. Your support will send clear messages that you and Ulster County support the LGBTQ+ and drag communities, protect freedom of expression, and will not tolerate hate.

Sincerely,

Joseph Caserto

Joseph Caserto hc/him/his 34 New Rd Milton, NY 12547-5029 RECEIVED

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From: Bryan J. <b.bryanjackson@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, June 12, 2023 2:56 PM

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

Subject: Comment on Proposed Local Law Number 5 of 2023

[EXTERNAL SENDER]

Good afternoon,

Please see my comment below on proposed Local Law #5. Please circulate my comment to all legislators.

Members of the Ulster County Legislature,

I am writing in support of Local Law Number 5 of 2023. I have been watching with dismay and grief as bill after bill is introduced in states and municipalities across the nation with the intent to limit people's freedom according to their experience of gender. These bills target not only LGBTQ+ people, but ultimately all those who value freedom of expression.

As a transmasculine person, protective laws and regulations are signs about where it may be safer for me to travel and live; while not a guarantee of safety (which no law can provide), laws like proposed Local Law 5 tell me that I have a higher likelihood of legal support in the event that I or someone I know experiences discrimination related to their expression of gender.

Including gender expression as a protected class provides wide-ranging support for people of all identities to express themselves freely. It is important to note the extent to which norms of gender performance have already changed in recent history. A cisgender woman's choice to wear pants or cisgender man's choice to wear makeup are also forms of gendered expression that, in certain time-and-place contexts, would have been discriminated against or even punishable by law. The proposal of this law suggests that Ulster County leadership understands the importance of protecting this freedom of expression for all people, including and especially those already marginalized by virtue of their identity.

Thank you for your consideration of this proposed law.

Sincerely, Bryan Barone Jackson



Fw: Proposed Local Law No. 5 Of 2023

Victoria Ann Fabella Fri 6/2/2023 4:36 PM To:Chelsea Villalba <cvil@co.ulster.ny.us>

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From: Peter McKnight <petermcknight2002@yahoo.com>

Sent: Thursday, June 1, 2023 9:52 AM

To: Victoria Ann Fabella <vfab@co.ulster.ny.us>
Subject: Proposed Local Law No. 5 Of 2023

[EXTERNAL SENDER]

I'd like to thank the cosponsors of Proposed Local Law No. 5 Of 2023, A Local Law Amending Chapter 216 Of The Code Of The County Of Ulster, Human Rights, In Relation To Gender Expression.

Lespecially want to thank my legislator, Jonathan R. Heppner, my friend, Eric Stewart, and 2 legislators whose work Lespecially admire, Manna Jo Greene and Kathy Nolan.

Best wishes, Peter McKnight 91 Pleasant Ridge Dr West Hurley NY 12491 203-257-6796



ULSTER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Fw: DRAG IS NOT A CRIME!

Victoria Ann Fabella

Tue 5/30/2023 12:14 PM

To: Chelsea Villalba <cvil@co.ulster.ny.us>

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From: Beth Kneller <bethgail16@gmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, May 30, 2023 9:40 AM

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

Subject: DRAG IS NOT A CRIME!

[EXTERNAL SENDER]

To the Clerk of the NY Legislature:

Drag is not a crime. Drag is an art performance dating back to Greek civilization and becoming even more popularized starting in the 1860s. Any attempt to outlaw drag or narrow its audience is an attack on free speech. I say this as a woman, a mother, and a lesbian who is in no way offended by drag!

Thank you, Beth Kneller 29 Flats View Ct Ulster Park NY 12487



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Fw: Comments on Proposed Local Law No. 6 of 2023, attached

Victoria Ann Fabella

Fri 6/9/2023 8:31 AM

To:Chelsea Villalba <cvil@co.ulster.ny.us>;Ken Ronk <kenronkjr@gmail.com>;robertscontract@aol.com

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From: Ken Panza < kpanza@hvc.rr.com> Sent: Friday, June 9, 2023 5:36 AM

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

Subject: Comments on Proposed Local Law No. 6 of 2023, attached

[EXTERNAL SENDER]

Please accept these comments for consideration at the Ulster County Legislature's scheduled Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law No. 6 of 2023, a Local Law Amending the Code of The County of Ulster, Chapter 131, Vehicles, County, Article I, Sustainable Green Fleet Policy, in Relation to Strategies and Goals, to be held on Tuesday, June 13, 2023, at 7:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, Kenneth S. Panza, Woodstock Supervisor's Liaison, Climate Smart Committee







Kenneth S. Panza, Liaison Town of Woodstock 45 Comeau Dr. Woodstock, NY 12498 kpanza@woodstockny.org

June 13, 2023

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Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law No. 6 Of 2023

Woodstock spent over \$70,000 for gasoline in 2022, which accounted for 55% of Woodstock's governmental emissions, about 167 metric tons, CO₂. The largest single user of gasoline is the Police Department.

The 2019 Woodstock's Climate Action Plan called for the adoption of hybrid police cars. The expectation was that the use of hybrid vehicles would reduce the town's gasoline consumption by 25%, with an estimated savings of \$17,000 to \$20,000, and reduce emissions by over 40 metric tons.

The Towns of Ulster, Saugerties, and New Paltz announced the purchase of hybrid police vehicles, but the Town of Ulster reported frequent and significant problems with their vehicles. Woodstock postponed consideration of hybrid police vehicles until there was an assurance of reliability. Frequent repairs and breakdowns are not acceptable.

The County with its Green Fleet Policy could establish a pilot program to evaluate and recommend hybrid police vehicles for the towns. Careful consideration of vehicle problems and the resolution of those problems would increase the confidence of municipal police departments in hybrid vehicles.

The use of hybrid police vehicles offers substantial cost savings and reductions in emissions. Any action the County could take to demonstrate the reliability of hybrid vehicles would contribute to the County, towns, and villages reducing gasoline consumption and emissions.

Respectfully Submitted
/s/ Kenneth S. Panza
Woodstock Climate Smart Committee

CC:

Woodstock Town Board
Woodstock Climate Smart Committee

ULSTER COUNTY CHARTER REVISION COMMISSION

244 Fair St., P.O. Box 1800, Kingston, New York 12402

Kathleen C. Mihm, Chair Frank L. Cardinale David Donaldson Shannon Harris Thomas P. Kadgen Scott A. McCarthy



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June 8, 2023

County Executive Jen Metzger Chair Tracey A. Bartels County Legislature

Re:

Proposed Local Law Number 8 of 2023

Letter of Support

Dear Executive Metzger, Chair Bartels, and Legislators:

I am writing on behalf of the Charter Revision Commission to express the Commission's support of the Charter revisions proposed by the Ulster County Comptroller and set forth in Proposed Local Law Number 8 of 2023.

The Commission voted on and approved the changes contained in Proposed Local Law No. 8 of 2023 with regard to sections C-53.B(9), C-57.B, C-57.G, C-57.H, C-11.K and C-60.A.

For the avoidance of doubt, this letter does not constitute the Commission's written report under Section C-5(B)(3) of the Charter.

Sincerely,

/s/ KATHLEEN C. MIHM

Kathleen C. Mihm, Chair Ulster County Charter Revision Commission

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Cc: Comptroller March Gallagher

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Fw: Affordable housing

Victoria Ann Fabella

Wed 5/24/2023 3:51 PM

To: Aaron Levine <Aaron.Levine@co.ulster.ny.us>;Abe Uchitelle <Abe.Uchitelle@co.ulster.ny.us>;Brian Cahill

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From: Kaira Marsh <kaira.marsh@icloud.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 24, 2023 3:00 PM
To: Victoria Ann Fabella <vfab@co.ulster.ny.us>

Subject: Affordable housing

[EXTERNAL SENDER]

vfab@co.ulster.ny.us

Please forward this email to our legislators. Thank you!

Hello,

My name is kaira carstensen formerly known as shane carstensen. I grew up in the town of saugerties ny, I am 31 years old and work at hannaford pharmacy. My wife kateri marsh grew up in Kingston is 27 and also works at hannaford. We have two boys Asher is 7 years old and Riley is 3 years old. Something must be done to help families like us homeless because, we cannot afford 3x the rent, we don't have good credit or a vehicle. We've been placed in a motel going on 3 years because, we lived in a one bedroom with two kids and was forced out due to a code violation. We both have part time jobs so our kids have a parent home to provide for them. With rents and the renters requirements the way they are is making the families like ours unable to even consider affording a place to live. Wait lists are so long they take years to be considered. Dss temporary assistance fails us because, if you make enough to start to afford a place they cut people off from help and they fall back into where they started needing the help. Motel living is costly with only a microwave and a tiny fridge. I've met a lot of families just like ours that work and don't make enough to live a proper normal life anymore. Please consider us all. Alot of us fear that we will lose the only place we have and be on the streets Dss does not return phone calls and I haven't gotten anything from them in the mail in over 3 weeks.

Fw: Letter in Opposition to Resolution 79, Opt-Out CDG, June 13, 2023

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Please accept the attached comments in opposition to Resolution 79 for the June 13 meeting of the Ulster County Legislature.

Respectfully Submitted, Kenneth S. Panza, Woodstock Supervisor's Liaison, Climate Smart Committee



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June 13, 2023

Please consider these comments in opposition to the Resolution 79, Endorsing Opt-Out Community Distribution Generation CDG.

Ulster County Legislature Resolution 79

Urging New York State to Approve and Implement an Opt-Out Community Distributed Generation (CDG) Program In New York

Alternatives to Opt-Out CDG

On January 19, 2023, the Public Service Commission (PSC) issued an order instituting a series of improvements to the CCA program. Stated in that order, "The Commission will not, in this Order, adopt a CDG program to be offered on an Opt-Out basis. The Commission directed Staff to, within 120 days of the effective date of the order, file a proposal for the implementation of a [Statewide – Solar for All] S-SFA program."

Responding to the Commission's directive, on May 19, 2023, the Department of Public Service Staff submitted a Proposal for a Statewide Solar for All Program.²

In this proposal, the Department of Public Service Staff (DPS or Staff) assessed the potential for a Statewide Solar for All (S-SFA) initiative and proposed a utility-level implementation framework. The Staff also described the outstanding issues with Opt-Out CDG.

Only Benefits CCA Low-Income Customers

An Opt-Out CDG program would prioritize enrollment of low-income customers prior to serving other customer groups in the CCA. However, doing so limits the benefits of low-income participation only to those customers who reside in a municipality participating in a CCA program. Low-income customers, residing in communities that did not participate in a CCA, fail to benefit from Opt-Out CDG.

¹ CASE 14-M-0224, Order Modifying Community Choice Aggregation Programs and Establishing Further Process, Issued January 19, 2023, Available at

 $[\]underline{https://documents.dps.ny.gov/public/Common/ViewDoc.aspx?DocRefId=\{46C00FCA-C70A-405A-9CB7-80A9498C1DD5\}}$

² CASE 14-M-0224, Department of Public Service Staff Proposal On A Statewide Solar For All Program, Issued May 19, 2023, Available at https://documents.dps.ny.gov/public/Common/ViewDoc.aspx?DocRefId={80923588-0000-CC13-94D1-C5BDA17FEB11}

With a scalable Solar for All program, the Commission would be able to guarantee CDG credits for all low-income customers throughout the State, not just a limited subset of residents in a CCA community.

Opt-Out CDG – High, Upfront Fixed Costs

It was anticipated that opt-out enrollment would create efficiencies that reduce soft costs for the CDG host, thus reducing the need for State incentives to support CDG development. However, given the CCA community's comments on the Straw Proposal regarding this topic, it appears that such products would require the same level of incentives and State support given to opt-in projects, negating the perceived efficiencies that should result from opt-out enrollment.

According to the Community Choice Aggregation Administrators of New York (CCAANY), there are significant initial fixed costs for opt-out programs even though they do not include some traditional "customer acquisition costs." CCAANY argued that "the development of an Opt-Out CDG offering requires a very high, upfront, fixed costs and a steep learning curve, neither of which can be ignored.

Utility Billing Problems

Finally, the other major concerns with advancing an opt-out CDG offering <u>at this time</u>, are the serious CDG crediting and billing issues originating at the utilities. To protect customers, specifically low-income customers who would be the first to be enrolled, the Commission must be assured utilities can correctly bill for CDG credits to avoid putting low-income customers at risk of financial hardship.

Legislative Intent

It appears from the language of Resolution 79 that the Legislature is petitioning the governor to intrude on the Public Service Commission and revoke its order of January 19, 2023, that delayed the consideration of Opt-Out CDG while it considers a Statewide Solar-for-All alternative.

It also appears from the language of Resolution 79 that the Legislature is supporting an action that would allow residents of a CCAs to enjoy the benefits of Opt-Out CDG while denying these benefits to low-income customers in towns not enrolled in a CCA. Because Woodstock did not establish a CCA, low-income residents in Woodstock would be denied these benefits.

The Legislature should reject Resolution 79 and allow the Public Service Commission to complete its evaluation of a Statewide Solar-for-All program. A Solar-for-All program would guarantee the benefits of CDG for all low-income residents of the state, not just those residing within a CCA.

Respectfully Submitted /s/ Kenneth S. Panza, Woodstock Climate Smart Committee

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As tax paying, home owning residents of Plattekill for 35 years we wish to express our strong opposition to the proposed county dump being located in our community. We support the passage of proposition 200 and thank you and your colleagues for your work on behalf of the citizens of Plattekill.

Sue and John Stern



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