

Proposed Local Law Number 6 Of 2019

County Of Ulster

A Local Law Increasing The Salary And Hours Of The Commissioner Of Social Services

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

SECTION 1. LEGISLATIVE INTENT AND FINDINGS.

The Ulster County Legislature finds and determines that the Commissioner of Social Services is responsible for overseeing the Department of Social Services and ensuring that the Department adequately and efficiently assesses, plans for, and provides appropriate services to families and individuals in need.

The Ulster County Legislature further finds and determines that the Commissioner of Social Services is responsible for overseeing all units of the Department of Social Services including, but not limited to, Anti-Fraud Waste and Abuse, Child Support Enforcement, Children and Family Services, Coordinates Children's Services, Early Intervention and Preschool Special Education Programs, Food Stamps Programs, Safe Harbour Program, Temporary Assistance, and the Inter-Agency Council on Domestic Violence.

The Ulster County Legislature further finds that while performing his duties and responsibilities as the Commissioner of Social Services, the Commissioner dedicates more time than the standard thirty-five hour work week, and as such it is necessary and appropriate to increase the amount of hours worked per week from thirty-five (35) to forty (40).

The Ulster County Legislature further finds that an increase in the amount of hours worked per week results in a necessary increase in salary.

The Ulster County Legislature further finds and determines that pursuant to N.Y. County Law §201 the salaries of County Officers serving for a fixed term of office may be changed and adjusted only by local law.

Pursuant to New York Social Services Law Section 116 the Commissioner of Social Services of a County serves for a fixed term.

Therefore, the purpose of this local law is to increase the amount of hours worked per week and salary of the Commissioner of Social Services for Ulster County.

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SECTION 2.

The annual salary of such County Officer serving for a fixed term of office shall be adjusted and changed in accordance with provisions of Resolution No. 445 of 2019.

On and after the effective date of this Local Law, the foregoing officer shall be paid at such a rate which, will equal the annual salary fixed for such office for the year 2020 as set forth.

SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Local Law shall take effect January 1, 2020 subject to compliance with all applicable provisions of the Municipal Home Rule Law of the State of New York.

This Local Law is subject to a permissive referendum, and will be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of the County of Ulster if within 45 days after the date on which it was so adopted, there is filed with the Clerk of the Ulster County Legislature a petition protesting against this Local Law, signed and authenticated as required by Section 24 of the Municipal Home Rule Law, by qualified electors of the County of Ulster registered to vote therein at the last preceding general election, in number equal to at least ten percentum of the total number of votes cast for Governor at the last gubernatorial election held in said County.

Addendum

<u>Title:</u>	<u>2019 Salary</u>	<u>2020 Salary</u>
Commissioner of Social Services	\$112,306.00	\$128,349.00