

Creating A Special Committee To Investigate Matters Regarding The Pre-Planning, Planning And Construction Of The Ulster County Law Enforcement Center

The Law Enforcement Center Project Committee (Chairman R.A. Parete and Legislators Bartels, Donaldson, Kraft, Busick, Gerentine and Harris) offers the following:

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 209 of County Law, the Ulster County Legislature is empowered to issue subpoenas and conduct investigations of any subject matter within its jurisdiction, including the conduct and performance of official duties of any officer or employee paid from County funds and the accounting for all money or property owned by or under the control of the County, and

WHEREAS, Section 209 of County Law further provides that the powers to conduct such investigations may be delegated to a committee of the Ulster County Legislature, and

WHEREAS, the County of Ulster owns and controls certain property known as the Ulster County Law Enforcement Center, which was pre-planned, planned and constructed with County funds, and

WHEREAS, the cost of pre-planning, planning and constructing the Ulster County Law Enforcement Center has already exceeded the amount originally budgeted for this purpose, and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Ulster County Legislature to have the pre-planning, planning and construction of the Ulster County Law Enforcement Center investigated pursuant to Section 209 of County Law, and

WHEREAS, such an investigation will require the services of special counsel, an investigator and support staff, the cost of which has not been determined or budgeted, and

WHEREAS, in order to determine the financial impact of such an investigation and appropriate the necessary funds, the special committee intended to be created herein must determine the scope of the investigation and the procedures that will be implemented in the investigation, and

WHEREAS, the Law Enforcement Center Project Committee has met and reviewed said request with a majority of the members voting approval, and

WHEREAS, the Ways and Means Committee has met and reviewed said request with a majority of the members voting approval.

Resolution No. 67 February 22, 2007

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RESOLVED, that a five (5) member Special Committee is hereby created for the purpose of investigating the pre-planning, planning and construction of the Ulster County Law Enforcement Center and all matters related thereto, and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Ulster County Legislature hereby delegates the authority to investigate these matters to this Special Committee, and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Special Committee shall be known as the Special Committee of the Ulster County Legislature for the Investigation of Matters Regarding the Pre-Planning, Planning and Construction of the Ulster County Law Enforcement Center, and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that prior to this Committee commencing the investigation of these matters, it shall report back to the Ulster County Legislature within 60 days with a detailed plan setting forth the scope of the investigation, the procedures to be employed therein and a detailed cost analysis and budget for such purpose, and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Committee shall not be vested with any of the powers or authority to proceed with the actual investigation of this matter as set forth in Section 209 of County Law until such time as the Ulster County Legislature has approved the scope of the investigation, the procedures to be employed in the investigation, approved a budget for the investigation and appropriated funds for the investigation,

and moves its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 24 NOES: 0
(Absent: Legislators Aiello, Alfonso, Busick, Every,
Fabiano, Felicello, Provenzano, Sheeley and
Stoekeler)

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

NONE

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