

Ulster County Legislature



Ways and Means Committee

Meeting Agenda

November 18, 2025 at 2:00 PM

Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, 244 Fair Street, Kingston, NY;

And Livestream at <https://www.youtube.com/@UlsterCountyLegislature/streams>

Committee Members:

John Gavaris, Chair
Kevin Roberts, Deputy Chair
Jeff Collins
Gina Hansut

Jason Kovacs
Kathy Nolan
Abe Uchitelle

Call Meeting to Order

Proposed Budget Amendments to the 2026 County Executive Recommended Operating Budget

Legislator Hansut

Proposed Budget Amendment No. 1 – Increase to the Department of Probation
Proposed Budget Amendment No. 2 – Double Funding for the ThinkDIFFERENTLY Initiative

Legislator Criswell

Proposed Budget Amendment No. 3 – Comprehensive Countywide Intermunicipal Water & Sewer Feasibility Study

Legislator Collins

Proposed Budget Amendment No. 4 – Increases to the County Clerk's Office
Proposed Budget Amendment No. 5 – Establishing a New Transportation Planner Position

Legislators Uchitelle and Collins

Proposed Budget Amendment No. 6 – Occupancy Tax Apportionment for Housing Initiatives

Legislators Uchitelle and Hewitt

Proposed Budget Amendment No. 7 – Immigrant Food Insecurity Program

Legislator Hewitt

Proposed Budget Amendment No. 8 – Traffic Calming Safety Measures
Proposed Budget Amendment No. 9 – Establishing a Deputy Commissioner of DPW – Parks Position
Proposed Budget Amendment No. 10 – Continuation of Industrial Hemp Research and Education Funding
Proposed Budget Amendment No. 11 – Greening the Food Services Industry Program
Proposed Budget Amendment No. 12 – Regional Tiffin Program
Proposed Budget Amendment No. 13 – Intermodal Transfer Center Planning Studies
Proposed Budget Amendment No. 14 – Residential Solar Feasibility and Interest Outreach
Proposed Budget Amendment No. 15 – Additional Bus Driver Positions
Proposed Budget Amendment No. 16 – Victory Garden Preservation Program

Legislator Gavaris

Proposed Budget Amendment No. 17 – Increased Funding for the EMS Stabilization and Enhancement Plan
Proposed Budget Amendment No. 18 – Sunset of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Positions
Proposed Budget Amendment No. 19 – Reduction to Large Increases and Historically Overbudgeted Accounts
Proposed Budget Amendment No. 20 – TECHNICAL: Necessary Adjustments for Bond Sale
Proposed Budget Amendment No. 21 – TECHNICAL: Adjustments to the Personnel Listing
Proposed Budget Amendment No. 22 – TECHNICAL: General Ledger and Personnel Listing Variances

Proposed Budget Amendments to the 2026-2031 County Executive Recommended Capital Program**Legislator Litts**

Proposed CP Budget Amendment No. 1 – Fairgrounds Bleachers

Legislator Hewitt

Proposed CP Budget Amendment No. 2 – Reduction to Department Relocation Management
Proposed CP Budget Amendment No. 3 – Elimination of Paradies Lane Solar Installation
Proposed CP Budget Amendment No. 4 – Electrification Multimodal Centers Title Change

Legislator Gavaris

Proposed CP Budget Amendment No. 5 – TECHNICAL: Establishment of Capital Projects 740 & 741

Upcoming Meetings

- November 18th at 7:00 PM **-Public Hearing**
- November 20th at Trudy Resnick Farber Center, 50 Center Street, Ellenville
1:00 PM **-Special Meeting** -Budgetary Appeals & Amendment Hearing (as needed)
5:30 PM **-Public Hearing** -Trudy Resnick Farber Center, 50 Center Street, Ellenville
- November 24th at 2:00 PM **-Special Meeting** -Committee Budget Vote

Adjournment