



Budget & Appropriations

BOL Meeting Minutes - Final

Committee Chair: Catherine Borgia

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Monday, November 8, 2021

10:00 AM

Committee Room

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting jointly with the Committees on Law & Major Contracts, Labor & Housing, Parks & Recreation, Public Works & Transportation, Environment & Health and Public Safety.

The County Board will meet pursuant to Chapter 417 of New York State Laws of 2021, allowing public bodies to meet and take action without permitting in-person public access to meetings and authorizes such meetings and public hearings to be held remotely by conference call or similar service, provided the public has the ability to view or listen and that such meetings are recorded and later transcribed. To access the meeting, please visit: <https://westchestercountyny.legistar.com>

With a quorum present, Chair Borgia called the meeting to order at 10:06 AM.

Others in Attendance: BOL: Kitley Covill, Colin Smith, Alessandra Restiano, Anand Singh, Jill Axelrod, Yolanda Valencia, Lisa Hochman, Carolyn Stevens, Melanie Montalto BOL Remote: MaryJane Shimsky, James Silverberg LAW: John Nonna, Fred Sullivan, Sean Carey LABS & RESEARCH Remote: Diane Anton, Dr. Milovanovic DPW/T: Robert Abbamont, Hernane DeAlmeida DOC Remote: Michael Gerald PS Remote: William McGunniess GUESTS: Vincent Toomey, Dominick Cassanelli

Present: Committee Chair Borgia, Legislator Boykin, Committee Vice-Chair Gashi, Legislator Maher, Legislator Tubiolo and Legislator Walter

Remote: Legislator Barr, Legislator Cunzio, Legislator Johnson, Legislator Parker, Legislator Williams and Legislator Woodson-Samuels

MINUTES APPROVAL

Monday, October 18, 2021 10 AM Minutes

On motion of Legislator Maher, seconded by Legislator Walter, the minutes were approved. The motion carried unanimously.

Tuesday, October 19, 2021 10 AM Minutes

On motion of Legislator Maher, seconded by Legislator Williams, the minutes were approved. The motion carried unanimously.

Wednesday, October 20, 2021 10 AM Minutes

On motion of Legislator Maher, seconded by Legislator Walter, the minutes were approved. The motion carried unanimously.

I. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

1. [ACT-2021-204](#) **ACT-Agrmnt-Co. of Westchester & Local 456 Teamsters**

AN ACT approving certain financial terms and conditions of employment requiring legislative approval by law in a Collective Bargaining Agreement for those employees of Westchester County represented by the Local 456, International Brotherhood of Teamsters for the five (5) year period commencing January 1, 2021 and ending December 31, 2025.

Submitted by COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS AND LABOR & HOUSING

Joint with LH

Guests: Vincent Toomey & Dominick Cassanelli, Teamsters 456

Vincent Toomey appeared before the Committee to discuss item #2021-589-ACT-Agrmnt-Co. of Westchester & Local 456 Teamsters. He discussed that this agreement was negotiated and ratified by Teamsters Local 456, covering the term from January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2025. Tis is a fairly short agreement with only three substantive provisions: Wages, Holidays With Pay, and Health Insurance. The wage increase includes a 2% increase in 2021, another 2% increase in 2022, then it trickles up to 2.50% in 2023, then another 2.50% in 2024, and then it is another 2% in 2025. The average increase over the life if this agreement is 2.3%. The Holidays With Pay section is covering the addition of the nineteenth day of June, known as Juneteenth, which shall be considered a holiday with pay for all employees regularly scheduled to work on that date. All employees required to work on the nineteenth of June will receive their regular straight time pay for the day and will be granted an additional day off (hour for hour). The Health Insurance section covers the sixteen employees who were previously Teamsters Local 456 bargaining unit members and contributed 12.5% of the cost of the premium or premium equivalent for health insurance and were subsequently promoted to the non-bargaining unit position of senior assistant county attorney from 2018 to 2021, shall, in the event they return to a Teamsters Local 456 bargaining unit position on or after September 1, 2021, be required to contribute 15% of the premium or premium equivalent.

On motion of Legislator Maher, seconded by Legislator Tubiolo, the above item was signed by committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Committee Chair Borgia, Legislator Barr, Legislator Boykin, Legislator Cunzio, Committee Vice-Chair Gashi, Legislator Johnson, Legislator Maher, Legislator Parker, Legislator Tubiolo, Legislator Walter, Legislator Williams and Legislator Woodson-Samuels

2. [ACT-2021-194](#) **ACT - Lawsuit Settlement of Rodriguez v. Liberty Lines**

AN ACT authorizing the settlement of the lawsuit Laura Rodriguez v. Liberty Lines, Inc., et al., in the amount of FOUR HUNDRED THOUSAND(\$400,000) DOLLARS.

Submitted by COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS AND LAW & MAJOR CONTRACTS

Joint with LMC

Guest: Senior Assistant County Attorney Sean Carey

Mr. Nonna said that the plaintiff claimed she was injured after being hit by the rear door while exiting a Liberty Lines bus. The County paid \$50,000 for no fault, and since this is an older case, the remainder of our self-insured retention of \$250,000 is just under \$200,000. RLI, the

County's excess carrier, determined that it would pay an additional \$200,000. Mr. Nonna said he is unsure if RLI made the right call, but is following their lead in agreeing to settle because if we turn down RLI's settlement and go to trial, and the verdict is in excess of our self-insured retention amount, we are responsible. He noted that the plaintiff had surgery, which ran up the cost of potential damages. There is a question whether the surgery had to do with a prior condition, but there was conflicting expert testimony on that.

Mr. Nonna said he had asked for documentation of what happened to the driver. He learned that the driver was brought up on a complaint of negligence, an internal hearing was held with the union and Liberty Lines, and the driver was found to not be at fault. Mr. Nonna does not think that anyone from the County was there, and is not sure if we were entitled to be there. He will follow up with risk management on how the hearing was conducted. No action was taken against driver except for additional training on how to open and close the rear doors.

Legislator Barr asked if there is any scenario where we could pay less. Mr. Nonna said the plaintiff's original demand was \$3 million, so she probably wouldn't settle for \$200,000. He reiterated the risk of a liability if there is a judgment exceeding our self-retention amount, and since this is an older case, the County could also have to pay legal fees.

Legislator Maher asked if there was a video. Mr. Nonna said there was, and the union said it was viewed by all parties to the hearing, and the union determined after viewing it that it was unlikely the passenger was injured by the rear doors.

Mr. Nonna noted that the Law Department is enhancing its oversight of Liberty Lines cases, particularly the older cases, by making sure they get earlier reports and more frequent updates. Legislator Shimsky asked that we also get details of what remedial action is taken in these cases. Mr. Nonna noted that the union objected to us getting the hearing report in this case.

On motion of Legislator Maher, seconded by Legislator Tubiolo, the above item was signed by committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Committee Chair Borgia, Legislator Barr, Legislator Boykin, Legislator Cunzio, Committee Vice-Chair Gashi, Legislator Maher, Legislator Parker, Legislator Tubiolo, Legislator Walter, Legislator Williams and Legislator Woodson-Samuels

WO Prejudice: Legislator Johnson

3. [ACT-2021-203](#) **ACT - Lawsuit Settlement - Phoenix Transportation Services, Inc.**

AN ACT authorizing the County Attorney to settle an action on behalf of the County of Westchester (the "County"), against Phoenix Transportation Services, Inc. ("Phoenix") and Platte River Insurance Company ("Platte River") for the total amount of THREE HUNDRED FORTY THOUSAND (\$340,000) DOLLARS, regarding breach of an obligation under a payment and performance bond relating to a breach of an agreement by, and termination of an agreement with, Phoenix, dated September 1, 2017 for which Platte River is the Surety.

Submitted by COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS AND LAW & MAJOR CONTRACTS

Joint with LMC**Guest: Senior Assistant County Attorney Sean Carey**

Mr. Carey explained that the County had a five-year contract starting on September 1, 2017 with Phoenix to provide school bus services, and Platte River was the surety for the contract. In September 2019, due to financial difficulties, Phoenix's owner advised the County that unless it immediately paid Phoenix's outstanding August invoices, Phoenix would be unable to pick up the children it dropped off that morning. To avoid that, the County paid, and Phoenix performed for the remainder of September 2019. At the same time, the County located available vendors to provide county-wide bus service on almost no notice and set up emergency contracts. By October 1, 2019, those contracts were in place, the contract with Phoenix was terminated for cause, and the County reached out to Platte River to demand reimbursement for the additional expenses it would incur, including higher per-route expenses. In November 2020, Phoenix sued the County for improperly terminating the contract. The County impleaded Platte River and asserted counterclaims against Phoenix, including the full amount of damages it incurred during the 2019-20 school year: \$460,959.48. As asserted against Platte River, that amount was capped at the penal sum of the performance bond: \$441,017.83. As against Phoenix, that amount was limited by Phoenix's complete inability to pay. In a 10-hour mediation on October 18, 2021, Platte River agreed to pay the County \$340,000, representing approximately 77% of the penal sum of the bond, and the County agreed to release Platte River and Phoenix from all liability. While Platte River will retain the ability to pursue Phoenix and several individuals associated with Phoenix who personally guaranteed the bond, acceptance of the settlement will fully release the County from further litigation regarding this matter.

Legislator Barr asked if this would fully resolve all claims against Phoenix, and if we have any other bids from them. Mr. Carey said it would, and he thinks there are no outstanding bids. Legislator Barr suggested he confirm that.

On motion of Legislator Maher, seconded by Legislator Boykin, the above item was signed by committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Committee Chair Borgia, Legislator Barr, Legislator Boykin, Legislator Cunzio, Committee Vice-Chair Gashi, Legislator Maher, Legislator Parker, Legislator Tubiolo, Legislator Walter, Legislator Williams and Legislator Woodson-Samuels

Away: Legislator Johnson

4. [ACT-2021-195](#) **ACT - Retainer Amendment - Standard Amusement**

AN ACT authorizing the County to amend an agreement with the law firm of Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP, pursuant to which the firm was retained, at County expense, to serve in an "of counsel" capacity to the County Attorney, as needed, in connection with the bankruptcy filing by Standard Amusements LLC in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of NY, by increasing the authorized not-to-exceed amount of the agreement by NINETY THOUSAND (\$90,000) DOLLARS.

Submitted by COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS, LAW & MAJOR CONTRACTS AND PARKS & RECREATION

Joint with LMC & PR**Guest: County Attorney John Nonna**

Mr. Nonna said that from February through April 2021, Paul, Weiss partner Elizabeth Sacksteder participated with the County Attorney's office in multiple meetings before several Board of Legislators committees to explain and answer questions about the revised Playland Management Agreement. Ms. Sacksteder was also involved in negotiations with Standard Amusements and over revisions to the Management Agreement requested by the legislators. This work amounts, through June, to \$69,446.83 in currently-owed fees. Mr. Nonna noted that since then, all transition work has been handled by him and Tami Altschiller.

Legislator Barr asked Mr. Nonna to discuss the discount we received from Paul Weiss, and Mr. Nonna said it was originally 15% but it went up to 20%.

Legislator Tubiolo asked if we could decrease costs in the future by hiring more attorneys in a new bankruptcy division. Mr. Nonna noted that we don't have enough bankruptcy cases to make it worthwhile to hire lawyers who are experts in bankruptcy. Legislator Maher asked if the County attorneys take CLE classes in bankruptcy, and Mr. Nonna said even if they did, they would not have the expertise to go up against a major New York law firm that specializes in bankruptcy.

With a motion by Legislator Maher and a seconded by Legislator Gashi the Committee entered into executive session at 11:23 AM.

With a motion by Legislator Gashi and a seconded by Legislator Barr the Committee came out of executive session at 11:40 AM

On motion of Committee Vice-Chair Gashi, seconded by Legislator Walter, the above item was signed by committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Committee Chair Borgia, Legislator Barr, Legislator Boykin, Legislator Cunzio, Committee Vice-Chair Gashi, Legislator Parker, Legislator Walter, Legislator Williams and Legislator Woodson-Samuels

Nay: Legislator Maher

Away: Legislator Johnson

WO Prejudice: Legislator Tubiolo

5. [ACT-2021-197](#) **CBA-BLR10-Labs & Research Infrast. Improvements '17-'21**

AN ACT amending the 2021 County Capital Budget Appropriations for Capital Project BLR10 - Labs & Research Infrastructure Improvements 2017-2021.

Submitted by COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS, PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION AND ENVIRONMENT & HEALTH

Joint with PWT & EH

Guests: Dr. Milovanovic and Diane Anton, Chief Administrator- Department of Labs & Research; Robert Abbamont, Director of Capital Projects- DPW/T

Dr. Aleksandar Milovanovic and Robert Abbamont appeared before the Committee to discuss item #2021-546-CBA-BLR10-Labs & Research Infrastructure Improvements (2017-2021) and item #2021-547-BOND ACT(Amended)-BLR10-Labs & Research Infrastructure Improvements (2017-2021). The act will amend the County's current-year capital budget, as well as adoption

if a related amended bond act in the total amount of \$1,000,000, to finance this capital project. The Capital Budget Amendment will amend the increase the County share for BLR10 by \$400,000. The increase is required because of the bids received. The original intent was to rehabilitate the existing equipment, however, during design and in consultation with the original equipment manufacturer, it was determined that it would be prudent to replace the existing equipment, which is over forty years old and is leaking conditioned air from its joints. The Department advises that this is necessary to ensure that the Microbiology Laboratory remains in compliance with instrument parameters and New York State Clinical Laboratory Evaluation Program requirements. The instrumentaton used in the lab may only operate within very strict humidity ranges. Testing performed outside of those ranges are subject to erroneous results. The new equipment will use a variable frequency drive, newer coil technology. The newer equipment will eliminate the hot water heating completely and use existing team at the facility, and thereby will be more energy-efficient. Design has been completed by in-house staff. It is estimated that construction will take four months to complete and will begin after award and execution of construction contracts.

On motion of Legislator Tubiolo, seconded by Committee Vice-Chair Gashi, the above item was signed by committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Committee Chair Borgia, Legislator Barr, Legislator Boykin, Legislator Cunzio, Committee Vice-Chair Gashi, Legislator Maher, Legislator Parker, Legislator Tubiolo, Legislator Walter, Legislator Williams and Legislator Woodson-Samuels

Away: Legislator Johnson

6. [ACT-2021-198](#) **BOND ACT(Amended)-BLR10-Labs & Research Infrast. Improvements '17-'21**

A BOND ACT (Amended) authorizing the issuance of additional bonds of Westchester County in the amount of FOUR HUNDRED THOUSAND (\$400,000) DOLLARS to finance Capital Project BLR10 - Labs & Research Infrastructure Improvements 2017-2021 ("BLR10").

Submitted by COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS, PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION AND ENVIRONMENT & HEALTH

Joint with PWT & EH

Guests: Dr. Milovanovic and Diane Anton, Chief Administrator - Department of Labs & Research; Robert Abbamont, Director of Capital Projects- DPW/T

Please refer to item #5.

On motion of Legislator Tubiolo, seconded by Committee Vice-Chair Gashi, the above item was signed by committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Committee Chair Borgia, Legislator Barr, Legislator Boykin, Legislator Cunzio, Committee Vice-Chair Gashi, Legislator Maher, Legislator Parker, Legislator Tubiolo, Legislator Walter, Legislator Williams and Legislator Woodson-Samuels

Away: Legislator Johnson

7. [ACT-2021-196](#) **BOND ACT-B0108-85 Court St. Bldg Improvements-White Plains**

A BOND ACT authorizing the issuance of TWO MILLION, NINETY THOUSAND (\$2,090,000)

DOLLARS in bonds of Westchester County to finance Capital Project B0108 - 85 Court Street Building Improvements, White Plains (2015-2019).

Submitted by COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS AND PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION

Joint with PWT

Guests: Robert Abbamont, Director of Capital Projects- Department of Public Works

Robert Abbamont appeared before the Committee to discuss item #2021-545-BOND ACT-B0108-85 Court Street Building Improvements-White Plains (2015-2019). This bond act in the amount of \$2,090,000 to finance the cost of design, construction management and construction associated with replacement of the existing gas fire boilers with new gas fire boilers, and associated work at the County-owned office building located at 85 Court Street, White Plains. He advised that this will replace the existing equipment which is over 40 years old and has exceeded its expected useful service life. The new equipment will reduce the amount of energy required for heating this building. Design by a consultant is currently underway and is expected to be completed by the end of 2021. It is estimated that the construction will take ten months to complete.

On motion of Legislator Maher, seconded by Legislator Walter, the above item was signed by committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Committee Chair Borgia, Legislator Barr, Legislator Boykin, Legislator Cunzio, Legislator Maher, Legislator Parker, Legislator Walter, Legislator Williams and Legislator Woodson-Samuels

Away: Committee Vice-Chair Gashi, Legislator Johnson and Legislator Tubiolo

8. [ACT-2021-199](#) **BOND ACT-BCR5D-Infrastructure Improvements 3-'16-'20**

A BOND ACT authorizing the issuance of ONE MILLION, SEVEN HUNDRED THOUSAND (\$1,700,000) DOLLARS in bonds of Westchester County to finance Capital Project BCR5D - Infrastructure Improvements 3 - 2016-2020.

Submitted by COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS, PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC SAFETY

Joint with PWT & PS

Guests: Deputy Commissioner Michael Gerald & William Fallon, Director of Administrative Services- Department of Corrections

Robert Abbamont appeared before the Committee to discuss item #2021-553-BOND ACT-BCR5D-Infrastructure Improvements 3 (2016-2020). This bond act is in the amount of \$1,700,000, which will finance the cost of design, construction, and construction management in connection with the replacement of the security windows and associated masonry and facade in the K-Block first floor of the County Jail. He advised that the windows in K-Block are about forty years old and beyond their useful life. In order to maintain security and building integrity, it is necessary to replace them. Design is anticipated to take five months to complete and will be performed by in-house staff. Construction is estimated to take eight months.

Legislator Maher asked if there is any technology that would let more light in? Mr. Abbamont responded that the newer windows are a more traditional window and showed pictures comparing the current windows with the new option. Legislator Maher asked if there were national standards that they must follow? Mr. Abbamont responded yes and that everything

they do has to pass through State Corrections for approval. Chair Borgia of the Budget & Appropriations Committee noted that more light is good for a myriad of reasons. Legislator Covill asked if this was a sole sourced contract? Mr. Abbamont responded that this project would be publicly bid.

On motion of Legislator Tubiolo, seconded by Legislator Cunzio, the above item was signed by committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Committee Chair Borgia, Legislator Barr, Legislator Boykin, Legislator Cunzio, Committee Vice-Chair Gashi, Legislator Maher, Legislator Parker, Legislator Tubiolo, Legislator Walter, Legislator Williams and Legislator Woodson-Samuels

Away: Legislator Johnson

9. [ACT-2021-200](#) **BOND ACT(Amended)-BCR55-G-Block Window Replacement**

A BOND ACT (Amended) authorizing the issuance of additional bonds of Westchester County in the amount of ONE MILLION, FOUR HUNDRED THOUSAND (\$1,400,000) DOLLARS to finance Capital Project BCR55 - G-Block Window Replacement.

Submitted by COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS, PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC SAFETY

Joint with PWT & PS

Guests: Deputy Commissioner Michael Gerald & William Fallon, Director of Administrative Services

Robert Abbamont appeared before the Committee to discuss item #2021-554-BOND ACT(Amended)-BCR55-G-Block Window Replacement. This bond act in the total amount of \$1,710,000, which includes \$310,000, in previously authorized bonds will finance the cost of design, construction, construction management in connection with the replacement of the security windows and associated facade in the G-Block first floor of the County Jail. He advised that the windows in G-Block are about forty years old and beyond their useful life. In order to maintain security and building integrity, it is necessary to replace them. Design is anticipated to take five months to complete and will be performed by in-house staff. Construction is estimated to take eight months to complete.

Legislator Maher asked if there is any technology that would let more light in? Mr. Abbamont responded that the newer windows are a more traditional window and showed pictures comparing the current windows with the new option. Legislator Maher asked if there were national standards that they must follow? Mr. Abbamont responded yes and that everything they do has to pass through State Corrections for approval. Chair Borgia of the Budget & Appropriations Committee noted that more light is good for a myriad of reasons. Legislator Covill asked if this was a sole sourced contract? Mr. Abbamont responded that this project would be publicly bid.

On motion of Legislator Tubiolo, seconded by Legislator Walter, the above item was signed by committee to the Board of Legislators committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Committee Chair Borgia, Legislator Barr, Legislator Boykin, Legislator Cunzio, Committee Vice-Chair Gashi, Legislator Maher, Legislator Parker, Legislator Tubiolo, Legislator Walter, Legislator Williams and Legislator Woodson-Samuels

Away: Legislator Johnson

10. [ACT-2021-202](#) **ACT-Amend Lease Agrmnt-Police Vehicles-Mount Vernon**

AN ACT authorizing the County of Westchester to amend an agreement with the City of Mount Vernon in order to increase the number of police vehicles leased to the City of Mt. Vernon, and also to correct certain clerical errors contained in Schedule "A" of the Agreement.

Submitted by COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS AND PUBLIC SAFETY

Joint with PS

Guests: Commissioner Ann Marie Berg & Martin Connelly - Department of Finance

Captain William McGuinness appeared before the Committee to discuss item

#2021-587-ACT-Amend Lease Agreement-Police Vehicles-Mount Vernon. This Act will authorize the County to amend its lease agreement with the City of Mount Vernon, wherein the County leased certain police vehicles to Mt. Vernon for use by the Mt. Vernon Police Department in its daily patrol operations, in order to increase the number of police vehicles leased by the County to Mt. Vernon from four to seven and also correct certain clerical errors contained in Schedule "A" of the Agreement. Captain McGuinness advised that the Department of Public Safety has determined that there are three additional vehicles that are no longer necessary to meet the operational demands of the Department but are still in good working order. Mt. Vernon continues to be unable to purchase new vehicles at the present time due to budgetary constraints and has requested the additional vehicles for its daily patrol operations. He added that pursuant to the terms of the agreement, the County will lease the additional vehicles in its "AS IS" condition and Mt. Vernon will pay the County \$1.00. Mt. Vernon will operate, repair and maintain the additional vehicles as required. Mt. Vernon will be responsible to register the additional vehicles and maintain insurance naming the County as additional insured. Mt. Vernon will also indemnify, hold harmless and defend the County against any claims resulting from Mt. Vernon's use and/or maintenance of the additional vehicles. Title of the additional vehicles will remain with the County and at the expiration of the agreement, on April 14, 2026, all leased vehicles, including the additional vehicles, will be returned to the County.

Legislator Woodson-Samuels stated that the fleet being used in Mt. Vernon currently is dilapidated and somewhat out of date, so the four previously acquired and these additional three will go a long way in helping the police officers. He added that public safety is a prerequisite for prosperity and this can help us move in the right direction as a municipality. Legislator Tubiolo stated that he agrees with his colleague Legislator Woodson-Samuels and that this is a wonderful opportunity for the City of Mt. Vernon.

On motion of Legislator Woodson-Samuels, seconded by Legislator Tubiolo, the above item was signed by committee to the Board of Legislators committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Committee Chair Borgia, Legislator Barr, Legislator Boykin, Legislator Cunzio, Legislator Maher, Legislator Parker, Legislator Tubiolo, Legislator Walter, Legislator Williams and Legislator Woodson-Samuels

Away: Committee Vice-Chair Gashi and Legislator Johnson

11. [RES-2021-182](#) **PH-2022 Westchester County Budget**

A RESOLUTION setting a Public Hearing on the Proposed 2022 Westchester County Budget for Wednesday, December 8, 2021 at 7:00 PM and designating which papers will publish the Notice of Public Hearing.

Submitted by COMMITTEE ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS

Budget only

On motion of Legislator Tubiolo, seconded by Legislator Walter, the above item was signed by committee to the Board of Legislators committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Committee Chair Borgia, Legislator Barr, Legislator Boykin, Legislator Cunzio, Legislator Maher, Legislator Parker, Legislator Tubiolo, Legislator Walter, Legislator Williams and Legislator Woodson-Samuels

Away: Committee Vice-Chair Gashi and Legislator Johnson

12. [RES-2021-183](#) **RES-2022 Westchester County Budget- Public Hearing Rules for WebEx**

A RESOLUTION adopting certain rules for conduct of the Public Hearing for WebEx concerning the Proposed 2022 Westchester County Budget.

Submitted by COMMITTEE ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS

Budget only

On motion of Legislator Tubiolo, seconded by Legislator Boykin, the above item was signed by committee to the Board of Legislators committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Committee Chair Borgia, Legislator Barr, Legislator Boykin, Legislator Cunzio, Legislator Maher, Legislator Parker, Legislator Tubiolo, Legislator Walter, Legislator Williams and Legislator Woodson-Samuels

Away: Committee Vice-Chair Gashi and Legislator Johnson

13. [RES-2021-184](#) **RES- 2022 Westchester County Budget -Suspending Rules 9 & 11**

A RESOLUTION suspending Rules 9 & 11 of the Rules of Westchester County Board of Legislators with regard to the 2022 Proposed Westchester County Budget.

Submitted by COMMITTEE ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS

Budget only

On motion of Legislator Tubiolo, seconded by Legislator Boykin, the above item was signed by committee to the Board of Legislators committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Committee Chair Borgia, Legislator Barr, Legislator Boykin, Legislator Cunzio, Legislator Maher, Legislator Parker, Legislator Tubiolo, Legislator Walter, Legislator Williams and Legislator Woodson-Samuels

Away: Committee Vice-Chair Gashi and Legislator Johnson

II. OTHER BUSINESS

For purposes of the 2022 Budget Session, the Committee is reducing the opening quorum from 5 to 3.

Chairwoman Borgia discussed the reasoning for lowering the quorum and explained that this is just for the purpose of the 2022 Budget Session. She discussed that she would like the opening quorum to be 3 not 2 as indicated on the Agenda. This has been the practice for many years in efforts of not holding up the Budget Review and to keep the Departments on schedule.

On motion of Legislator Tubiolo, seconded by Legislator Walter, the above item was approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Committee Chair Borgia, Legislator Barr, Legislator Boykin, Legislator Cunzio, Legislator Maher, Legislator Parker, Legislator Tubiolo, Legislator Walter, Legislator Williams and Legislator Woodson-Samuels

Away: Committee Vice-Chair Gashi and Legislator Johnson

III. RECEIVE & FILE

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Legislator Tubiolo, seconded by Legislator Walter, the Committee adjourned at 12:35 PM.

Note

Meeting went into Recess

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Meeting Reconvened