

Law & Major Contracts

BOL Meeting Minutes - Published Draft



Committee Chair: David Imamura

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10:00 AM

Committee Room

Joint with B&A

CALL TO ORDER

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Legislator Emiljana Ulaj will be participating remotely from 520 White Plains Road, Tarrytown, NY 10591.

Legislator Colin Smith will be participating remotely from 1132 Main Street, Suite 1, Peekskill, NY 10566.

With a quorum present, Chair Imamura called the meeting to order at 11:27 a.m.

Others in Attendance: BOL: Legislators: Jewel Williams Johnson, Erika Pierce, David Tubiolo, Judah Holstein, and Shanae Williams; Committee Coordinators: Jill Axelrod, James Silverberg, and Dayana Gomez; Lisa Hochman (Remote); Law Dept.: John Nonna

Present: Legislator Imamura, Legislator Woodson-Samuels, Legislator Barr and Legislator Gashi

Absent: Legislator Smith

Remote: Legislator Ulaj

MINUTES APPROVAL

I. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

1. [ACT-2025-153](#) ACT - Enter into Agreements with Kaplan Kirsch and the Wicks Group re: WC Airport

Guest: Law Dept.: County Attorney John Nonna

Mr. Nonna said the Law Department has developed internal expertise in aviation law, but it is important to have experts to turn to if needed. He said that only two firms responded to the County's RFP, and he wanted to retain both firms to maintain the option to use either one. He noted that both firms had advised the County in the past, and noted that the Wicks Group has

close contacts with the FAA.

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

Aye: Legislator Imamura, Legislator Ulaj, Legislator Woodson-Samuels, Legislator Barr and Legislator Gashi

Absent: Legislator Smith

2. [ACT-2025-156](#) **ACT - Amend Retainer Agreement with Bleakley Platt & Schmidt**

Guest: Law Dept.: County Attorney John Nonna

Mr. Nonna said this is a rare occasion where the County Attorney is conflicted out of representing the County and therefore needs outside counsel. He said the County was served with a notice of claim by the father of a young boy who drowned at the Playland pool in August of 2024, which provided that a lawsuit would name both the County and Standard Amusements as defendants. The County will receive defense and indemnity from Standard Amusement's insurance company if the lawsuit is filed. He noted that the County Board of Health (BOH) brought a proceeding against Standard Amusements alleging violations of the sanitary code in the way they operated the pool, specifically the number of lifeguards and their training. Bleakley Platt & Schmidt is representing the County in that proceeding, and more money is needed because motions are pending, and the proceeding is still ongoing. Legislator Pierce asked if the additional amount requested will be sufficient, and Mr. Nonna said that the only thing left is the final hearing before an Administrative Law Judge, which should only take a couple of days.

On motion of Legislator Barr, seconded by Legislator Gashi, the above item was signed by committee and referred to Board of Legislators. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Legislator Imamura, Legislator Ulaj, Legislator Woodson-Samuels, Legislator Barr and Legislator Gashi

Absent: Legislator Smith

II. OTHER BUSINESS

III. RECEIVE & FILE

ADJOURNMENT