

# Public Safety

## BOL Meeting Minutes - Published Draft



Committee Chair: Terry Clements

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**Tuesday, February 20, 2024**

**4:15 PM**

**Committee Room**

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### CALL TO ORDER

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With a quorum present, Chair Clements called the meeting to order at 4:16 PM

Others in Attendance: BOL: Legislator Nancy Barr, Shatika Parker

**Present:** Legislator Clements, Legislator Boykin and Legislator Woodson-Samuels

**Absent:** Legislator Smith

**Remote:** Legislator Cunzio

### MINUTES APPROVAL

#### I. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

**[ACT-2024-22](#) IMA-Investigations into Human Trafficking in Westchester County-Various Local Police Departments**

Guests:

Tami Altschiller, Assistant Chief Deputy County Attorney, County Attorney Office

Jeff Goldman, Senior Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney Office

Amy Finzi, First Deputy District Attorney, District Attorney Office

Daniel McKenna, Chief Criminal Investigator, District Attorney Office

*Legislator Clements asked, if a municipality that is not mentioned in this legislation starts to become involved with human trafficking investigations more heavily and would like to access some of these funds can they be added? And if so, will the DA's office have to come before the Board again to amend this IMA?*

*Mr. McKenna and Ms. Finzi both explained that the funds can be made available to any other*

*municipality who presents evidence of needing the funds to do work related to human trafficking. The County attorneys also confirmed a new IMA would need to come before the Board.*

*Legislator Barr asked whether or not this was our first time having these funds and Ms. Finzi responded by saying the funds were available but they are being used in a new way.*

*Legislator Barr also asked, how long has there been a Human Trafficking Task Force and although the DA's office could not provide an exact answer they said it had been a few years and would get back to us.*

*Legislator Benjamin Boykin and Legislator Woodson Samuels inquired about Mount Vernon and why they may not be on the list of municipalities with such close proximity to the Bronx and NYC. The DA's office said that to their knowledge Mount Vernon had not asked to access the funds but that they are aware they exist. Legislator Woodson Samuels said he would look into the matter further.*

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

**Aye:** Legislator Clements, Legislator Boykin, Legislator Cunzio and Legislator Woodson-Samuels

**Absent:** Legislator Smith

**II. OTHER BUSINESS**

**III. RECEIVE & FILE**

**ADJOURNMENT**