RESOLUTION NO. - 2021

ADOPTED , 2021 PROVIDING FOR THE PUBLICATION OF COUNTY LOCAL LAW INTRO NO. 35-2021 AND NOTICE OF SUBMISSION OF A PROPOSITION THEREON AT A GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 2, 2021.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF LEGISLATORS OF THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Clerk of the County Board of Legislators is hereby directed to cause to be published a copy of an abstract of Local Law Intro. No. 35-2021, adopted by the County on March 22, 2021, together with a Notice that a Proposition for the approval or disapproval of said Local Law shall be submitted at the general election to be held on November 2, 2021, such publication to be made once in each of the six weeks immediately preceding said election, in each of the following newspapers having a general circulation in the County of Westchester, which newspapers are hereby designated the official newspapers for the purpose of said publication:

The Journal News Westchester Hispano

Section 2. Said Notice shall be in substantially the form as follows:

NOTICE OF SUBMISSION OF A PROPOSITION AT A GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 2, 2021, COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER, STATE OF NEW YORK

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Local Law Intro. 35-2021, has been adopted by the County Board of Legislators of Westchester County, New York on March 22, 2021, and a Proposition for the approval or disapproval of said Local Law will be submitted to the electors of the County at the general election to be held on November 2, 2021.

The Local Law, entitled "A LOCAL LAW amending the Laws of Westchester with respect to the advancement of ethics within all levels of county government," enacts a new and comprehensive code of ethics for the County of Westchester, its officers, employees, and contractors. The Local Law sets forth a detailed "Code of Conduct," which sets forth restrictions on officer, employee, and contractor behavior to prevent the improper use of office for personal gain, and to protect the County and its residents from improper conflicts of interest. The Local Law also sets forth disclosure requirements, which are to provide transparency where conflicts may arise. The Local Law further structures and defines the powers and duties of the Board of Ethics to oversee, implement, and enforce the Local Law.

In constituting the Board of Ethics, the Local Law creates a seven member board, five members to be appointed by the County Executive, and two members to be appointed by the Chair of the Board of Legislators. All members of the Board of Ethics are subject to confirmation by the Board of Legislators.

A complete copy of the Local Law can be obtained online at WestchesterCountyNY.Legistar.com/Legislation or by sending a written request to the Clerk of the County Board of Legislators, 148 Martine Avenue, 8th Floor, White Plains, NY 10601.

By order of the Board of Legislators of the County of Westchester, State of New York.

Dated: , 2021

Malika Vanderberg
The Clerk of the County Board of Legislators
County of Westchester, New York

Section 3. The Clerk of the County Board of Legislators is hereby further directed that, as soon as possible after the canvass of the results of the voting on the Proposition with respect to said Local Law at the election, provided that the said Proposition shall have received the approval of a majority of the votes cast thereon, to publish notice of the adoption of the Local Law in accordance with Section 209.211 of the Laws of Westchester County.

Section 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

CommITTEE ON Legislation