

Budget & Appropriations

BOL Meeting Minutes - Final

Committee Chair: Vedat Gashi

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Monday, October 17, 2022

10:00 AM

Committee Room

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting jointly with the Committee on Public Works & Transportation

Please note: This meeting will be held in person at the Michaelian Office Building, 148 Martine Avenue, White Plains, New York 10601 in the McPoland Conference Room # 824 and also remotely via WebEx. Legislators may participate in person or via video conferencing through WebEx. Members of the public are invited to attend the meeting in person at any of its locations or view it online at the Westchester Legislators website: https://westchestercountyny.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx> This website also has links to the Agenda Packets containing documents to be discussed at the meeting.

Chairwoman Catherine Borgia will be participating remotely from Clear View School and Day Treatment Center, 480 Albany Post Road, Briarcliff, NY 10510.

With a quorum present. Chair Gashi called the meeting to order at 10:20 AM.

Present: Committee Chair Gashi, Legislator Barr, Legislator Maher, Legislator Parker,

Committee Vice-Chair Shimsky, Legislator Smith, Legislator Tubiolo, Legislator

Williams Johnson and Legislator Woodson-Samuels

Remote: Legislator Borgia, Legislator Nolan and Legislator Pierce

MINUTES APPROVAL

Monday, September 19, 2022 At 10:00 AM Minutes

On motion of Legislator Woodson-Samuels, seconded by Legislator Smith, the minutes were approved. The motion carried unanimously.

I. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

1. <u>RES-2022-195</u> PH-Terminate Lease-NY Medical College-Munger Pavilion

A Public Hearing on "A LOCAL LAW authorizing the County of Westchester to terminate the lease with New York Medical College for the building known as Munger Pavilion and to enter into a lease agreement for approximately 17.46 acres of County-owned property located in the Grasslands Campus in the Valhalla section of the Town of Mt. Pleasant, NY with New York Medical College, its successors or assigns to create a campus and to authorize New York Medical College to demolish the building know as Munger Pavilion and to construct a new building in its place." [Public Hearing set for November 14, 2022 at 7:30 p.m.]. LOCAL LAW INTRO: 2022-228.

SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEE ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS

Guests: Assistant Chief Deputy County Attorney Tami Altschiller & John Paul Iannace Director of Operations Joan McDonald from the CE's Office, Assistant Chief Deputy County Attorney Tami Altschiller and Paul Iannace from the Law Department appeared before the Committee to discuss these items.

Legislator Maher asked that the Committee go into executive session to discuss these items further. Chair Gashi agreed and on the motion of Legislator Maher and seconded by Legislator Barr the Committee went into executive session at 10:30 AM.

On the motion of Legislator Shimsky and seconded by Legislator Barr the Committee came out of executive session at 11:04 AM

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

Aye:

Committee Chair Gashi, Legislator Barr, Legislator Borgia, Legislator Maher, Legislator Nolan, Legislator Parker, Legislator Pierce, Committee Vice-Chair Shimsky, Legislator Smith, Legislator Tubiolo, Legislator Williams Johnson and Legislator Woodson-Samuels

2. LOCAL LAW-Terminate Lease-NY Medical College-Munger Pavilion

A LOCAL LAW authorizing the County of Westchester to terminate the lease with New York Medical College for the building known as Munger Pavilion and to enter into a lease agreement for approximately 17.46 acres of County-owned property located in the Grasslands Campus in the Valhalla section of the Town of Mt. Pleasant, NY with New York Medical College, its successors or assigns to create a campus and to authorize New York Medical College to demolish the building know as Munger Pavilion and to construct a new building in its place.

SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEE ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS

Guests: Assistant Chief Deputy County Attorney Tami Altschiller & John Paul Iannace Please refer to item #1.

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

Aye:

Committee Chair Gashi, Legislator Barr, Legislator Borgia, Legislator Maher, Legislator Nolan, Legislator Parker, Legislator Pierce, Committee Vice-Chair Shimsky, Legislator Smith, Legislator Tubiolo, Legislator Williams Johnson and Legislator Woodson-Samuels

3. <u>RES-2022-200</u> <u>ENV RES-Terminate Lease-NY Medical College-Munger Pavilion</u>

AN ENVIRONMENTAL RESOLUTION determining that there will be no significant adverse impact on the environment from the proposed action regarding the New York Medical College Lease.

SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEE ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS

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Aye:

Committee Chair Gashi, Legislator Barr, Legislator Borgia, Legislator Maher, Legislator Nolan, Legislator Parker, Legislator Pierce, Committee Vice-Chair Shimsky, Legislator Smith, Legislator Tubiolo, Legislator Williams Johnson and Legislator Woodson-Samuels

4. RES-2022-196 PH-Enter Into Lease Agrmnt-NY Medical College

A Public Hearing on "A LOCAL LAW amending Section 104.11(5)(f) of the Laws of Westchester County to provide the County of Westchester authority to enter into a lease agreement for approximately 17.46 acres of County owned property located in the Grasslands Campus in the Valhalla section of the Town of Mt. Pleasant, NY with New York Medical College, its successors or assigns, for a term not to exceed ninety-nine (99) years." [Public Hearing set for November 14, 2022 at 7:30 p.m.]. LOCAL LAW INTRO: 2022-233.

SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEE ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS

Guests: Assistant Chief Deputy County Attorney Tami Altschiller & John Paul Iannace Please refer to item #1.

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Aye:

Committee Chair Gashi, Legislator Barr, Legislator Borgia, Legislator Maher, Legislator Nolan, Legislator Parker, Legislator Pierce, Committee Vice-Chair Shimsky, Legislator Smith, Legislator Tubiolo, Legislator Williams Johnson and Legislator Woodson-Samuels

5. <u>LOCAL LAW-Enter Into Lease Agrmnt-NY Medical College</u>

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SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEE ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS

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

Aye:

Committee Chair Gashi, Legislator Barr, Legislator Borgia, Legislator Maher, Legislator Nolan, Legislator Parker, Legislator Pierce, Committee Vice-Chair Shimsky, Legislator Smith, Legislator Tubiolo, Legislator Williams Johnson and Legislator Woodson-Samuels

6. <u>RES-2022-197</u> PH-Amend Lease Agrmnts-NY Medical College

A Public Hearing on "A LOCAL LAW authorizing the County of Westchester to amend lease agreements with New York Medical College for the County-owned buildings known as: 1)

Sunshine Cottage, 2) Vosburgh Pavilion, and 3) the Old Commissioner's House, located on the Grasslands Campus in the Valhalla section of the Town of Mt. Pleasant, NY." [Public Hearing set for November 14, 2022 at 7:30 p.m.]. LOCAL LAW INTRO: 2022-235.
SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEE ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS

Guests: Assistant Chief Deputy County Attorney Tami Altschiller & John Paul Iannace Please refer to item #1.

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

Aye:

Committee Chair Gashi, Legislator Barr, Legislator Borgia, Legislator Maher, Legislator Nolan, Legislator Parker, Legislator Pierce, Committee Vice-Chair Shimsky, Legislator Smith, Legislator Tubiolo, Legislator Williams Johnson and Legislator Woodson-Samuels

7. LOCAL LAW-Amend Lease Agrmnts-NY Medical College

A LOCAL LAW authorizing the County of Westchester to amend lease agreements with New York Medical College for the County-owned buildings known as: 1) Sunshine Cottage, 2) Vosburgh Pavilion, and 3) the Old Commissioner's House, located on the Grasslands Campus in the Valhalla section of the Town of Mt. Pleasant, NY.

SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEE ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS

Guests: Assistant Chief Deputy County Attorney Tami Altschiller & John Paul Iannace *Please refer to item #1.*

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

Aye:

Committee Chair Gashi, Legislator Barr, Legislator Borgia, Legislator Maher, Legislator Nolan, Legislator Parker, Legislator Pierce, Committee Vice-Chair Shimsky, Legislator Smith, Legislator Tubiolo, Legislator Williams Johnson and Legislator Woodson-Samuels

8. <u>ACT-2022-143</u> CBA-T0050-Replace. of Heating Units & Ventilation Fans at CMF

AN ACT amending the 2022 County Capital Budget Appropriations for Capital Project T0050 Replacement of Heating Units & Ventilation Fans at Central Maintenance Facility (CMF).

SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS AND PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION

Joint with PW&T.

Guest: Deputy Commissioner Gayle Katzman

First Deputy Commissioner Gayle Katzman said they are requesting additional funding for replacing heating units and ventilation fans at the Yonkers Central Maintenance Facility. She noted that the new units are much more energy efficient. She said the old units hung from the ceiling inside the building and the new units are sitting on the roof, so the project required penetration of the roof. This lead to the discovery of existing conditions in the roof that they were not aware of previously. This is the main reason for the request for additional funding.

Jai Punoose, a mechanical engineer with DPW, shared a mechanical drawing, and explained

the work to be done.

Legislator Maher asked what the contractor found that was an unexpected condition. Ms. Katzman said there were three: the need for lead abatement; the need to add structural support to the roof, and the need to repair leaks in the gas piping. They had to shut down gas service as part of project, and before restarting service, Con Ed performed testing and found the leaks

Legislator Maher asked for cost breakdowns. Ms. Katzman said she would provide them, but noted that the work is in progress, so they are still negotiating the costs.

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

Aye: Committee Chair Gashi, Legislator Barr, Legislator Borgia, Legislator Nolan,

Committee Vice-Chair Shimsky, Legislator Smith, Legislator Tubiolo and

Legislator Williams Johnson

WO Prejudice: Legislator Maher, Legislator Parker, Legislator Pierce and Legislator

Woodson-Samuels

9. <u>ACT-2022-144</u> <u>BOND ACT(Amended)-T0050-Replace. of Heating Units & Ventilation Fans at CMF</u>

A BOND ACT (Amended) authorizing the issuance of additional bonds of Westchester County in the amount of THREE MILLION, TWO HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND (\$3, 250,000) DOLLARS to finance Capital Project T0050 - Replacement of Heating Units and Ventilation Fans at Central Maintenance Facility (CMF).

SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS AND PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION

Joint with PW&T.

Guest: Deputy Commissioner Gayle Katzman

Please refer to item #8.

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

Aye: Committee Chair Gashi, Legislator Barr, Legislator Borgia, Legislator Nolan,

Committee Vice-Chair Shimsky, Legislator Smith, Legislator Tubiolo and

Legislator Williams Johnson

WO Prejudice: Legislator Maher, Legislator Parker, Legislator Pierce and Legislator

Woodson-Samuels

10. ACT-2022-145 ACT - District Attorney County Pay Plan

AN ACT amending Act. No. 26-1952 as amended, which amended Act No. 40-1941, entitled "An Act establishing personnel rules in Westchester County Service and adopting Classification of positions and schedules of pay."

SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEE ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS

Guests: Members from the District Attorney's Office

District Attorney Rocah and her team appeared before the Committee to discuss the item. She and her team answered the legislators questions and said that they will send the requested information to the Committee.

On motion of Legislator Maher, 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: Committee Chair Gashi, Legislator Barr, Legislator Borgia, Legislator Maher,

Legislator Nolan, Legislator Parker, Legislator Pierce, Committee Vice-Chair

Shimsky and Legislator Smith

WO Prejudice: Legislator Tubiolo, Legislator Williams Johnson and Legislator

Woodson-Samuels

II. OTHER BUSINESS

III. RECEIVE & FILE

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Legislator Tubiolo, seconded by Committee Vice-Chair Shimsky, the Committee adjourned at 12:32 PM.