

# Public Works & Transportation BOL Meeting Minutes -

Published Draft Committee Chair: Erika Pierce

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Monday, March 20, 2023

10:00 AM

Committee Room

# CALL TO ORDER

Joint with Budget & Appropriations and Housing committees.

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

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

With a quorum present, Chair Pierce called the meeting to order at 10:59 a.m.

Others in Attendance: BOL: Vedat Gashi, Damon Maher, and Jewel Williams Johnson; Legislator-Elect David Imamura; Committee Coordinators: Jill Axelrod and James Silverberg; Guests (Remote): DEF: Vincent Kopicki; Budget: Larry Soule; Law: Tami Altshciller and JP Iannace; Planning: Norma Drummond

**Present:** Committee Chair Pierce, Legislator Barr, Legislator Parker, Legislator Tubiolo and Committee Vice-Chair Woodson-Samuels

**Remote:** Legislator Borgia and Legislator Smith

## MINUTES APPROVAL

Monday, March 13, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.

On motion of Legislator Tubiolo, seconded by Legislator Barr, the minutes were approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Committee Chair Pierce, Legislator Barr, Legislator Parker, Legislator Tubiolo and Committee Vice-Chair Woodson-Samuels

**Remote:** Legislator Smith

Away: Legislator Borgia

### I. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

#### 1. ACT-2023-60 IMA-West 3rd Street Sewer Project-Mount Vernon

Joint with Budget & Appropriations

Guests: DEF: Commissioner Vincent Kopicki; Budget Dept.: Budget Director Larry Soule; Law Dept.: Assistant Chief Deputy County Attorney Tami Altschiller and Senior Assistant County Attorney JP Iannace

Ms. Altschiller and Mr. Iannace discussed the item. Legislator Woodson Samuels asked Commissioner Kopicki when the work would be completed. Commissioner Kopicki said the design phase is completed, and construction will take 8 to 12 months. Legislator Woodson Samuels asked when there will be shovels in the ground, and Commissioner Kopicki said it will be roughly a month, depending on certain variables.

Chair Pierce requested that we have oversight meetings along the way to see how the project is going and whether any change orders have been issued which might increase costs.

On motion of Committee Vice-Chair 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: Committee Chair Pierce, Legislator Barr, Legislator Parker, Legislator Tubiolo and Committee Vice-Chair Woodson-Samuels
- **Remote:** Legislator Smith
- Away: Legislator Borgia

#### 2. <u>ACT-2023-61</u> <u>IMA-West 3rd Street Sewer Project-NYS Environmental Facilities</u> <u>Corporation & Mount Vernon</u>

Joint with Budget & Appropriations committee

Guests: DEF: Commissioner Vincent Kopicki; Budget Dept.: Budget Director Larry Soule; Law Dept.: Assistant Chief Deputy County Attorney Tami Altschiller and Senior Assistant County Attorney JP Iannace

See Item #1 above.

On motion of Committee Vice-Chair 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: Committee Chair Pierce, Legislator Barr, Legislator Parker, Legislator Tubiolo and Committee Vice-Chair Woodson-Samuels

**Remote:** Legislator Smith

Away: Legislator Borgia

#### 3. ACT-2023-58 BOND ACT-BPL1A-65 Lake Street, White Plains

Joint with Budget & Appropriations and Housing committees

Guest: Planning Dept.: Commissioner Norma Drummond

Commissioner Drummond said that the BOL previously approved the use of \$2.1 million dollars to acquire property to create a affordable housing, senior development at 65 Lake Street in White Plains. The property was acquired in 2020, but requests have gone up significantly, and they are facing a funding gap. The City of White Plains has stepped in and granted them \$400,000 from their local housing fund. They are asking the BOL to assist them with infrastructure funding under the housing implementation fund program in the amount of \$2,750,000.

On motion of Committee Vice-Chair 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: Committee Chair Pierce, Legislator Barr, Legislator Parker, Legislator Tubiolo and Committee Vice-Chair Woodson-Samuels
- Remote: Legislator Smith
- Away: Legislator Borgia

#### 4. <u>ACT-2023-59</u> <u>ACT-IMDA-White Plains & Mount Hope Community Development</u> <u>Corporation</u>

Joint with Budget & Appropriations and Housing

Guest: Planning Dept.: Commissioner Norma Drummond *See Item #3 above.* 

On motion of Committee Vice-Chair 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: Committee Chair Pierce, Legislator Barr, Legislator Parker, Legislator Tubiolo and Committee Vice-Chair Woodson-Samuels

**Remote:** Legislator Smith

Away: Legislator Borgia

- II. OTHER BUSINESS
- III. RECEIVE & FILE

### ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Legislator Tubiolo, seconded by Legislator Barr, the Committee adjourned at 12:02 p.m. by the following vote:

Aye: Committee Chair Pierce, Legislator Barr, Legislator Parker, Legislator Tubiolo and Committee Vice-Chair Woodson-Samuels

**Remote:** Legislator Smith

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Away: Legislator Borgia