

County of Albany

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Meeting Agenda

Monday, August 11, 2025

7:00 PM

**Albany County Office Building
William J. Conboy II Legislative Chambers
Albany County Courthouse**

County Legislature

Call to Order

Roll Call

PREVIOUS BUSINESS

827. PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED LOCAL LAW NO. "U" FOR 2024: A LOCAL LAW OF THE COUNTY OF ALBANY, NEW YORK, PROVIDING FOR A CHANGE IN THE SALARY OF A COUNTY OFFICER DURING THEIR TERM OF OFFICE

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Sponsors: Public Safety Committee

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Sponsors: Public Safety Committee

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Sponsors: Public Safety Committee

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Sponsors: Public Safety Committee

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Sponsors: Public Safety Committee and Lane

- 307.** CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE ALBANY COUNTY REAL PROPERTY TAX SERVICE AGENCY

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- 308.** AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH HEALTH INSURANCE SOLUTIONS INCORPORATED REGARDING EMPLOYEE BENEFITS ADVISORY SERVICES

Sponsors: Personnel Committee

- 309.** BOND RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY OF ALBANY, NEW YORK, DATED AUGUST 11, 2025, AUTHORIZING THE CONSTRUCTION OF NETWORK UPGRADES FOR THE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, STATING THE ESTIMATED MAXIMUM COST THEREOF IS \$1,500,000, APPROPRIATING SAID AMOUNT THEREFORE, AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,500,000 BONDS OF SAID COUNTY TO FINANCE SAID APPROPRIATION

Sponsors: Audit and Finance Committee

- 310.** BOND RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY OF ALBANY, NEW YORK, DATED AUGUST 11, 2025, AUTHORIZING THE CONSTRUCTION OF IMPROVEMENTS TO THE FACILITIES OF THE ALBANY COUNTY SHERIFF, STATING THE ESTIMATED MAXIMUM COST THEREOF IS \$489,000, APPROPRIATING SAID AMOUNT THEREFOR, AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$489,000 BONDS OF SAID COUNTY TO FINANCE SAID APPROPRIATION

Sponsors: Audit and Finance Committee

- 311.** AUTHORIZING THE LISTING OF VARIOUS PARCELS OF REAL PROPERTY FOR PUBLIC SALE PURSUANT TO § 360-40 OF THE ALBANY COUNTY CODE

Sponsors: Audit and Finance Committee

- 312.** AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH EMPIRE STATE DEVELOPMENT REGARDING CAPITAL GRANT FUNDING AND AMENDING THE 2025 DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CONSERVATION AND PLANNING BUDGET

Sponsors: Audit and Finance Committee

LOCAL LAWS:

LOCAL LAW NO. "Q" FOR 2024: A LOCAL LAW OF THE COUNTY OF ALBANY, NEW YORK CREATING CHAPTER 114 OF THE ALBANY COUNTY CODE, REGARDING THE CREATION OF THE ALBANY COUNTY OFFICE OF ASSIGNED COUNSEL

Sponsors: Kuhn

LOCAL LAW NO. "C" FOR 2025: A LOCAL LAW OF THE COUNTY OF ALBANY, NEW YORK AMENDING CHAPTER 270 OF THE ALBANY COUNTY CODE REGARDING CREATING A REAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR CONSTRUCTION OF ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS ON EXISTING RESIDENTIAL PARCELS

Sponsors: Cunningham, Willingham, Reidy, McLaughlin and Laurilliard

LOCAL LAW NO. "E" FOR 2025: A LOCAL LAW OF THE COUNTY OF ALBANY, NEW YORK, IMPOSING AN ADDITIONAL ONE PERCENT RATE OF TAX ON SALES AND USES OF TANGIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY AND OF CERTAIN SERVICES, AND ON OCCUPANCY OF HOTEL ROOMS AND AMUSEMENT CHARGES, PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 29 OF THE TAX LAW OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

Sponsors: Cunningham and Reidy

LOCAL LAW NO. "F" FOR 2025: A LOCAL LAW OF THE COUNTY OF ALBANY, NEW YORK ENACTING A MORTGAGE RECORDING TAX PURSUANT TO SECTION 253-p OF THE TAX LAW OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

Sponsors: Cunningham and Reidy

Adjournment

RESOLUTION NO. 827

PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED LOCAL LAW NO. “U” FOR 2024: A LOCAL LAW OF THE COUNTY OF ALBANY, NEW YORK, PROVIDING FOR A CHANGE IN THE SALARY OF A COUNTY OFFICER DURING THEIR TERM OF OFFICE

Introduced: 12/2/24

By Cunningham:

RESOLVED, By the County Legislature of the County of Albany that a public hearing on proposed Local Law No. “U” for 2024, “A LOCAL LAW OF THE COUNTY OF ALBANY, NEW YORK, PROVIDING FOR A CHANGE IN THE SALARY OF A COUNTY OFFICER DURING THEIR TERM OF OFFICE” be held by the County Legislature in the William J. Conboy II Legislative Chambers, Albany County Courthouse, Albany, New York at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 26, 2025, and the Clerk of the County Legislature is directed to cause notice of such hearing to be published containing the necessary information in accordance with the applicable provisions of law.

Referred to Law Committee – 12/02/24

Favorable Recommendation Law Committee – 7/30/25

RESOLUTION NO. 284

PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED LOCAL LAW NO. “G” FOR 2025: A LOCAL LAW DESIGNATING THE DEVELOPMENT OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING AS A GOVERNMENTAL AND PUBLIC PURPOSE OF THE COUNTY OF ALBANY, NEW YORK

Introduced: 7/14/25

By Willingham and Cunningham:

RESOLVED, By the County Legislature of the County of Albany that a public hearing on proposed Local Law No. “G” for 2025, “A LOCAL LAW DESIGNATING THE DEVELOPMENT OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING AS A GOVERNMENTAL AND PUBLIC PURPOSE OF THE COUNTY OF ALBANY, NEW YORK” to be held by the Albany County Legislature at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 26, 2025, with participation information to be made available on the Albany County website, and the Clerk of the County Legislature is directed to cause notice of such hearing to be published containing the necessary information in accordance with the applicable provisions of law.

Referred to Law Committee – 7/14/25

Favorable Recommendation Law Committee – 7/30/25

RESOLUTION NO. 285

**AMENDING THE 2025 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS BUDGET:
SOLAR CREDITS**

Introduced: 8/11/25
By Public Works Committee:

WHEREAS, By Resolution No. 168 for 2023, this Honorable Body authorized a Power Purchasing Agreement with Calibrant NY II, LLC regarding the purchase of the energy generated by a solar array at 897 Watervliet Shaker Road in the Town of Colonie for a term of twenty-five years, and

WHEREAS, The Commissioner of the Department of Public Works has requested a budget amendment regarding solar credits received from National Grid in connection with the ongoing operational and maintenance cost to operate the aforementioned solar array, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature that the 2025 Department of Public Works Budget is hereby amended as follows:

USE WHOLE NUMBERS ONLY									
BUDGET LINE				DESCRIPTION	INCREASE	DECREASE	UNIT COST	DEPARTMENT NAME	
FUND	ORG	OBJ	PROJECT	FOR POSITIONS ONLY					
				STATE POS. CODE	POSITION CONTROL				
DM	5130	44101	10000			Electric	\$275,000	\$396,150	Public Works
					TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS		\$275,000	\$0	

ESTIMATED REVENUES									
USE WHOLE NUMBERS ONLY									
BUDGET LINE				DESCRIPTION	DECREASE	INCREASE	UNIT COST	DEPARTMENT NAME	
FUND	ORG	OBJ	PROJECT	FOR POSITIONS ONLY					
				STATE POS. CODE	POSITION CONTROL				
DM	5130	03638				Solar Electric Credits	\$275,000	\$275,000	Public Works
					TOTAL REVENUES		\$0	\$275,000	
					GRAND TOTAL		\$275,000	\$275,000	

and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the County Legislature is directed to forward certified copies of this resolution to the appropriate County Officials.

RESOLUTION NO. 286

AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 329 FOR 2024 REGARDING THE SPRUCE STREET GARAGE RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT

Introduced: 8/11/25

By Public Works Committee:

WHEREAS, By Resolution No. 329 for 2024, this Honorable Body authorized an agreement with Gallo Construction Corp. regarding the Spruce Street Garage Reconstruction Project for a total amount not to exceed \$8,247,360 for a term commencing July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2026, and

WHEREAS, The Commissioner of the Department of General Services has requested an amendment to the aforementioned agreement to increase the project in an amount of \$500,000 for a new total amount not to exceed \$8,747,360 to address unforeseen structural and steel work exposed during reconstruction, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature that Resolution No. 329 for 2024 is amended to reflect an increase of \$500,000 to address unforeseen structural and steel work exposed during reconstruction for a new total amount not to exceed \$8,747,360 for a term commencing July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2026, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Attorney is authorized to approve said amendment as to form and content, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the County Legislature is directed to forward certified copies of this resolution to the appropriate County Officials.

RESOLUTION NO. 287

**AUTHORIZING AN EASEMENT TO FIRSTLIGHT FIBER, INC. REGARDING
INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE OF TELECOMMUNICATION
INFRASTRUCTURE AT 222 MADISON AVENUE IN THE CITY OF ALBANY**

Introduced: 8/11/25

By Public Works Committee:

WHEREAS, The County Executive and the Commissioner of the Department of General Services have requested authorization to enter into a utility easement agreement with Firstlight Fiber, Inc for the installation and maintenance of telecommunication infrastructure at 222 Madison Avenue in the City of Albany for a fee of \$1 to remain in effect in perpetuity with the property, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature that the County Executive is authorized to enter into a utility easement agreement with Firstlight Fiber, Inc., Victor, NY 14564 for` the installation and maintenance of telecommunication infrastructure at 222 Madison Avenue in the City of Albany for a fee of \$1 to remain in effect in perpetuity with the property, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Attorney is authorized to approve said utility easement agreement as to form and content, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the County Legislature is directed to forward certified copies of this resolution to the appropriate County Officials.

RESOLUTION NO. 289

**AMENDING THE 2025 WATER PURIFICATION DISTRICT BUDGET:
CHIEF MAINTENANCE MECHANIC**

Introduced: 8/11/25
By Public Works Committee:

WHEREAS, The Executive Director for the Water Purification District has requested authorization to amend the 2025 Water Purification District budget regarding the annual salary for the Chief Maintenance Mechanic position, and

WHEREAS, The Executive Director has indicated that the Chief Maintenance Mechanic position is essential for the ongoing maintenance and repair of the District’s treatment plants, and

WHEREAS, The Executive Director has indicated that a \$9,500 increase is necessary to make the salary competitive with similar positions in the region, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature that the 2025 Department of Public Works Budget is hereby amended as follows:

APPROPRIATIONS										
BUDGET LINE						DESCRIPTION	INCREASE	DECREASE	UNIT COST	DEPARTMENT NAME
FUND	ORG	OBJ	PRO	FOR POSITIONS ONLY						
				STATE POS. CODE	POSITION CONTROL					
G9	8130	13631		001	630010	Senior Instrumentation Tech		\$2,375	\$73,259	ACWPD
G9	8130	17020		001	630051	Chief Maintenance Mechanic	\$2,375		\$93,265	ACWPD
						TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$2,375	\$2,375		

and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the County Legislature is directed to forward certified copies of this resolution to the appropriate County Officials.

RESOLUTION NO. 290

A RESOLUTION CALLING A PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING A PROPOSED INCREASE AND IMPROVEMENT OF THE FACILITIES OF THE ALBANY COUNTY WATER PURIFICATION DISTRICT IN THE COUNTY OF ALBANY, NEW YORK

Introduced: 8/11/25

By Public Works Committee:

WHEREAS, Pursuant to proceedings heretofore had and taken in accordance with the provisions of Article 5-A of the County Law, including approving orders of the State Comptroller, the Albany County Sewer District, has heretofore been established, and

WHEREAS, In October 2017, the name of the Albany County Sewer District was changed to the Albany County Water Purification District (the “District”), and

WHEREAS, The County has heretofore authorized the (i) Sludge Processing Improvement Project; (ii) North Plant Treatment Process Improvement Project; (iii) South Plant Treatment Process Improvement Project and (iv) North and South Plant HVAC Upgrade Project, as part of the County’s 2025-2029 Capital Plan; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to the Order on Consent No. R4-2014-0902-145 with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, the County is undertaking the Sludge Processing Improvement Project which includes the study, design and construction of improvements to the existing North and South Plant sludge processing systems, consisting of improvements to the North and South Plant incinerators and sludge mixing and dewatering systems; installation of a new incinerator emission system at the North Plant, and the construction of a new Septage and FOG receiving station at the North Plant, all as further described in the engineering entitled “Sludge Processing Improvements Study” prepared for the District by Barton & Loguidice DPC, Albany, New York, as the estimated total cost of \$65,000,000, and

WHEREAS, Following a determination that certain upgrades to the County’s treatment facilities are necessary and in the public interest, the County has determined to undertake the North Plant Treatment Process Improvement Project, which includes improvements to the unit treatment process associated with the North Plant and consists of the replacement of the mechanical screens, grit system, primary and secondary clarifiers, plant water pumps and upgrades to the high voltage electrical system, all as further described and identified as Phase 1 work in the Capital Improvements Plan Engineering Report, dated May 2024 and prepared for

the District by Arcadis of New York, Inc., Albany, New York, at the estimated maximum cost of \$72,594,000, and

WHEREAS, Following a determination that certain upgrades to the County's treatment facilities are necessary and in the public interest, the County has determined to undertake South Plant Treatment Process Improvement Project, which includes improvements to the unit treatment process associated with the South Plant and consists of the replacement of the grit system, primary and secondary clarifiers, plant water pumps and upgrades to the high voltage electrical system, all as further described and identified as Phase 1 work in the Capital Improvements Plan Engineering Report, dated May 2024 and prepared for the District by Arcadis of New York, Inc., Albany, New York, at the estimated maximum cost of \$41,042,000, and

WHEREAS, Following a determination that certain upgrades to the County's treatment facilities are necessary and in the public interest, the County has determined to undertake the North and South Plant HVAC Upgrade Project, which includes the study, design, and construction of improvements to existing HVAC systems at both the North and South Treatment Plants, expected to be completed in accordance with the engineering evaluation being prepared for the District by CHA Consulting Inc., Albany, New York, at the estimated maximum cost of \$1,500,000, and

WHEREAS, The County expects that a substantial part of the cost of the projects will be financed through the State of New York Environmental Facilities Corporation (EFC) or funded from other sources, including grants, and that such grants and/or other funds when received will be applied toward the cost of said projects or redemption of the County bonds or notes issued therefor; and

WHEREAS, The County has previously considered the projects described herein as part of a public hearing held in connection with the adoption of the County's 2025-2029 Capital Plan; however, EFC has requested that the County conduct a separate public hearing for the such projects; and NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF THE COUNTY OF ALBANY, NEW YORK, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. A meeting of the County Legislature of the County of Albany, New York, shall be held in the William J. Conboy II Legislative Chambers, Albany County Courthouse, Albany, New York at 7:00 o'clock P.M. (Prevailing Time) on Tuesday, August 26, 2025, for the purpose of conducting a public hearing upon the proposed increase and improvement of facilities of the Albany County Water Purification District (the "District"), consisting of the (i) Sludge Processing Improvement Project, (ii) North Plant Treatment Process Improvement Project, (iii) South Plant Treatment

Process Improvement Project, and (iv) North and South Plant HVAC Upgrade Project, and for such other action on the part of said County Legislature in relation thereto as may be required by law or proper in the premises.

Section 2. The notice of such public hearing shall be in substantially in the form set forth in **Exhibit A** hereof and the Clerk of said County Legislature is hereby authorized and directed to cause a copy of the Notice of Public Hearing to be published once in the “Times Union and “The Evangelist,” each newspaper having a general circulation within the District, not less than ten nor more than twenty days before the date set herein for said public hearing.

Section 3. The Clerk of the County Legislature is hereby further authorized and directed to file a certified copy of the Notice of Public Hearing with the respective Clerk of the City of Albany, City of Cohoes, City of Watervliet, Village of Green Island, Village of Menands, Village of Colonie and the Town of Colonie and Town of Guilderland, together with a detailed summary of the projected debt service costs of the proposed projects and an estimate of the annual debt service charge for each municipality as determined in accordance with the provisions of each municipalities’ respective intermunicipal agreement from 1970 with the Albany County Sewer District, not less than ten days before the date set herein for said public hearing.

Section 4. The engineering reports for each project shall be made available for public inspection on the County website and at the office of the Executive Director of the Albany County Water Purification District, 1 Canal Road, South, Albany, New York 12204, during normal business hours, not less than ten days before the date set herein for said public hearing.

Section 5. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Exhibit A
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a meeting of the County Legislature of the County of Albany, New York, shall be held at William J. Conboy II Legislative Chambers, Albany County Courthouse, Albany, New York, in said County, on the 26th day of August, 2025, at 7:00 o'clock P.M., Prevailing Time, for the purpose of conducting a public hearing upon a proposed increase and improvement of facilities of Albany County Water Purification District (the "District") in said County.

The increase and improvement of such facilities consists of the (i) Sludge Processing Improvement Project, at the estimated cost of \$65,000,000; (ii) North Plant Treatment Process Improvement Project, at the estimated cost of \$72,594,000; (iii) South Plant Treatment Process Improvement Project, at the estimated cost of \$41,042,000 and (iv) North and South Plant HVAC Upgrade Project, at the estimated cost of \$1,500,000, all as more fully described in the respective engineering reports prepared for the County by the engineer of record for each project, which are available on the County website and in the office of the Executive Director of the Albany County Water Purification District, 1 Canal Road, South, Albany, New York 12204, during regular business hours.

A detailed summary of the projected debt service costs of the proposed projects and an estimate of the annual debt service charge for each municipality served by the District, as determined in accordance with the provisions of each municipalities' respective agreement with the Albany County Water Purification District, is available by contacting the Executive Director of the District at 518-447-1624.

Dated: August 11, 2025
Albany, New York,

BY ORDER OF THE COUNTY
LEGISLATURE OF THE COUNTY
OF ALBANY, NEW YORK

By _____
Clerk of the County Legislature

RESOLUTION NO. 291

AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF A BIPARTISAN INFRASTRUCTURE LAW GRANT AND APPROVAL TO ACCESS ZERO PERCENT INTEREST LOANS FROM THE ENVIRONMENTAL FACILITIES CORPORATION REGARDING THE WATER PURIFICATION DISTRICT'S SLUDGE PROCESSING IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Introduced: 8/11/25

By Public Works Committee:

WHEREAS, The Executive Director of the Water Purification District has requested authorization to accept a \$25,000,000 grant from the Environmental Facilities Corporation to offset costs associated with the District's Sludge Processing Improvement Project, and

WHEREAS, The Executive Director has also requested authorization to access up to \$25,000,000 in additional interest-free financing from the Environmental Facilities Corporation regarding the District's Sludge Processing Improvement Project, and

WHEREAS, The grant and loan will be used to cover the estimate \$65,000,000 cost of the Districts Sludge Processing Improvement Project as approved in the 2025-2029 Albany County Capital Program, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature that the County Executive is authorized to accept a \$25,000,000 grant and to access up \$25,000,000 in interest-free financing from the Environmental Facilities Corporation regarding the Water Purification District's Sludge Processing Improvement Project, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Attorney is authorized to approve said grant and loan agreements as to form and content, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the County Legislature is directed to forward certified copies of this resolution to the appropriate County Officials.

RESOLUTION NO. 292

AUTHORIZING AGREEMENTS REGARDING THE HEALTHY FAMILIES HOME VISITING PROGRAM AND AMENDING THE 2025 DEPARTMENT FOR CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES BUDGET

Introduced: 8/11/25

By Social Services Committee:

WHEREAS, The Commissioner of the Department for Children, Youth and Families has requested authorization to enter into an agreement with the New York State Office of Children and Family Services regarding the Healthy Families Home Visiting Program in an amount not to exceed \$8,305,265 for a term commencing July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2030, and

WHEREAS, The Commissioner has also requested authorization to enter into an agreement with Parsons Child and Family Center regarding the Healthy Families Home Visiting Program in an amount not to exceed \$734,423 for a term commencing July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026, and

WHEREAS, The Healthy Families Home Visiting Program will provide intensive home visits to pregnant women and new parents residing in designated areas, targeting those who require assistance in enhancing parenting skills and accessing family support, and

WHEREAS, The Commissioner has indicated that a budget amendment is necessary to incorporate \$116,429 of the aforementioned funding as it is an increase over the previously budgeted amount, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature that the County Executive is authorized to enter into an agreement with the New York State Office of Children and Family Services regarding the Healthy Families Home Visiting Program in an amount not to exceed \$8,305,265 for a term commencing July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Executive is also authorized to enter into agreement with Parsons Child and Family Center, Albany, NY 12208 regarding the Healthy Families Home Visiting Program in an amount not to exceed \$734,423 for a term commencing July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026, and, be it further

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature that the 2025 Department for Children, Youth and Families Budget is amended as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 293

**AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH CORNELL COOPERATIVE
EXTENSION REGARDING THE HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

Introduced: 8/11/25

By Social Services Committee:

WHEREAS, The Commissioner of the Department of Social Services has requested authorization to enter into an agreement with Cornell Cooperative Extension regarding the Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP) in an amount not to exceed \$180,000 for a term commencing October 1, 2025 and ending September 30, 2026, and

WHEREAS, The Commissioner has indicated that Cornell Cooperative Extension will provide outreach and certification services to assist eligible low-income households, especially elderly and disabled individuals, in meeting the costs of home energy, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature that the County Executive is authorized to enter into an agreement with Cornell Cooperative Extension, Voorheesville, NY 12186 regarding HEAP in an amount not to exceed \$180,000 for a term commencing October 1, 2025 and ending September 30, 2026, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Attorney is authorized to approve said agreement as to form and content, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the County Legislature is directed to forward certified copies of this resolution to the appropriate Cornell Cooperative Extension and County Officials.

RESOLUTION NO. 294

ADOPTING THE PROPOSED MODIFICATIONS TO ALBANY COUNTY AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT NOS. 1, 2, AND 3

Introduced: 8/11/25

By Conservation, Sustainability, and Green Initiatives Committee, Reinhardt, Simpson, Cleary, Efekoro, Miller, Rosano, Smith, Whalen and Perlee:

WHEREAS, § 303-b of the New York State Agriculture and Markets Law mandates an annual review of agricultural districts, and

WHEREAS, In connection with such review, a proposal for the modification of Agricultural District Nos. 1, 2, and 3 has been submitted by the Agricultural and Farmland Protection Board, and

WHEREAS, The modifications include adding 572.92 acres of actively viable farm land in the Towns of Berne, Bethlehem, and Rensselaerville, and

WHEREAS, In conducting such review, § 303-b of the Agriculture and Markets Law requires this Honorable Body to hold a public hearing, which was held on May 27, 2025, for the purpose of receiving the comments of any interested persons regarding the proposed modifications, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature that the following proposed modifications to the Albany County Agricultural Districts submitted by the Agricultural and Farmland Protection Board and filed with the Albany County Clerk are hereby approved and adopted:

Town	Tax Map No.	Acres	Ag District
Berne	81.-1-22.100	71.77	1
Rensselaerville	180.-1-10	137.7	2
Bethlehem	121.04-1-16.1	68.09	3
Bethlehem	122.00-1-2.11	22.3	3
Bethlehem	121.00-3-8.1	122	3
Bethlehem	122.00-1-1.11	8.27	3
Bethlehem	109.00-3-9	59.4	3
Bethlehem	109.00-1-33.1	11.5	3
Bethlehem	109.00-3-10	32.9	3
Bethlehem	109.00-1-31	11.5	3
Bethlehem	109.00-3-4.1	37.69	3

and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of the modifications shall be submitted to the New York State Commissioner of Agriculture and Markets along with a certified copy of this resolution, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the County Legislature is directed to forward certified copies of this resolution to the appropriate County Officials.

RESOLUTION NO. 295

AMENDING THE 2025 DEPARTMENT OF RESIDENTIAL HEALTH CARE FACILITIES BUDGET: ADMINISTRATIVE ADJUSTMENTS

Introduced: 8/11/25

By Elder Care Committee:

WHEREAS, The Executive Director of the Department of Residential Health Care Facilities has requested amendments to the 2025 Department of Residential Health Care Facilities Budget to adequately fund the expansion of the Nurse Aide Trainee Program and to create two Speech Therapists positions, and

WHEREAS, The Executive Director has indicated that the requested budget amendments are necessary to meet the staffing needs at Shaker Place Rehabilitation and Nursing Center and will be budget neutral, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the 2025 Department of Residential Health Care Facilities Budget is hereby amended as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 296

AUTHORIZING AGREEMENTS REGARDING ALBANY COUNTY INSURANCE COVERAGE

Introduced: 8/11/25
By Law Committee:

WHEREAS, The Albany County Attorney, upon the recommendation of the County's insurance consultant, Arthur J. Gallagher Risk Management Services, Inc., has requested authorization to enter into agreements for the County's insurance coverage, and

WHEREAS, It has been recommended that the County enter into agreements with _____ for Excess Commercial, General, Automobile, Law Enforcement, Public Officials, and Employment Practices coverage; _____ for Excess insurance; _____ for Excess insurance; _____ for Property insurance; _____ for Boiler and Machinery coverage; _____ for Medical Liability coverage; _____ for Medical Liability coverage; and _____ for Cyber Liability insurance for a total combined premium amount of \$_____ now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature that the County Executive is authorized to enter into agreements through Arthur J. Gallagher Risk Management Services, Inc. with _____ for Excess Commercial, General, Automobile, Law Enforcement, Public Officials, and Employment Practices coverage at an annual premium not to exceed \$_____; _____ for Excess insurance at an annual premium not to exceed \$_____; _____ for Excess insurance at an annual premium not to exceed \$_____; _____ for Property insurance at an annual premium not to exceed \$_____ + \$_____ Fire Fee; _____ for Boiler and Machinery coverage at an annual premium not to exceed \$_____; _____ for Medical Liability insurance at an annual premium not to exceed \$_____; _____ for Medical Liability insurance at an annual premium not to exceed \$_____; and _____ for Cyber Liability insurance at an annual premium not to exceed \$_____ for the term commencing August 15, 2025 and ending August 15, 2026 for a total combined premium amount of \$_____, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Attorney is authorized to approve said agreements as to form and content, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the County Legislature is directed to forward certified copies of this resolution to the appropriate County Officials.

RESOLUTION NO. 297

AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH WEST PUBLISHING CORPORATION REGARDING WESTLAW LEGAL RESEARCH SERVICES SOFTWARE

Introduced: 8/11/25
By Law Committee:

WHEREAS, The County Attorney has requested authorization to enter into an agreement with West Publishing Corporation regarding Westlaw legal research services software in the amount of \$239,880 for the term commencing January 1, 2026 and ending December 31, 2026, and

WHEREAS, The County Attorney indicated that this agreement provides a license to conduct legal research for attorneys, paralegals, non-legal department heads, and other non-attorney staff in County government who have been granted authorized access, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature that the County Executive is authorized to enter into an agreement with West Publishing Corporation, Egan, MN 55121 regarding Westlaw legal research services software in the amount of \$239,880 for the term commencing January 1, 2026 and ending December 31, 2026, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Attorney is authorized to approve said agreement as to form and content, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the County Legislature is directed to forward certified copies of this resolution to the appropriate County Officials.

RESOLUTION NO. 298

AMENDING THE 2025 SHERIFF'S OFFICE BUDGET: MAINTENANCE MECHANIC III POSITION

Introduced: 8/11/25
 By Public Safety Committee:

WHEREAS, The Albany County Sheriff has requested authorization to amend the 2025 Sheriff's Office Budget to create a full-time Maintenance Mechanic III position that will allow for the proper functioning and safety of the Albany County Correctional Facility, and

WHEREAS, The Sheriff has indicated that this request is budget-neutral, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the 2025 Sheriff's Office Budget is hereby amended as follows:

APPROPRIATIONS											
	ACCOUNT NO.				RESOLUTION DESCRIPTION	INCREASE	DECREASE	ANNUAL SALARY	POSTION CONTROL #	COMMENTS	
A	3150	1	7021	003	390502	Maintenance Mechanic III	36,559		90,526.00		Payroll check 8/6
A	3150	1	8124	003	390441	Building Maintenance Helper		33,925.00			delete
A	3150	1	7115	001	390417	Electrician		2,634.00			reduce
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS						36,559.00	36,559.00				
ESTIMATED REVENUES											
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUES						0.00	0.00				
GRAND TOTALS						36,559.00	36,559.00				

and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the County Legislature is directed to forward certified copies of this resolution to the appropriate County Officials.

RESOLUTION NO. 299

AMENDING THE 2025 SHERIFF'S OFFICE BUDGET: DEPUTY SHERIFF POSITIONS

Introduced: 8/11/25
 By Public Safety Committee and Lockart:

WHEREAS, The Albany County Sheriff has requested authorization to amend the 2025 Sheriff's Office Budget to create five full-time Deputy Sheriff positions to address the additional requested security for Court Security, School Resource Officer and Department of Social Security, and

WHEREAS, The Sheriff has indicated that this request is budget-neutral, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the 2025 Sheriff's Office Budget is hereby amended as follows:

APPROPRIATIONS										
	ACCOUNT NO.				RESOLUTION DESCRIPTION	INCREASE	DECREASE	ANNUAL SALARY	POSTION CONTROL #	COMMENTS
A	3110	1	4138	110	379307	Deputy Sheriff	82,200			
A	3110	1	4138	111	379308	Deputy Sheriff	82,200			
A	3110	1	4138	112	379309	Deputy Sheriff	82,200			
A	3110	1	4138	113	379310	Deputy Sheriff	82,200			
A	3110	1	4138	114	379311	Deputy Sheriff	82,200			
A	3110	1	4138	006	370057	Deputy Sheriff		41,400.00		Reduction
A	3110	1	4138	021	370072	Deputy Sheriff		39,000.00		Reduction
A	3110	1	4138	034	370085	Deputy Sheriff		35,000.00		Reduction
A	3110	1	4138	062	370113	Deputy Sheriff		49,000.00		Reduction
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS							411,000.00	164,400.00		
ESTIMATED REVENUES										
	ACCOUNT NO.				RESOLUTION DESCRIPTION	DECREASE	INCREASE	UNIT COST	COMMENTS	
A	3110		01521		SRO Reimbursement		82,200.00			
A	3110		03331		Security Service Unified Court		164,400.00			
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUES						0.00	246,600.00			
GRAND TOTALS						411,000.00	411,000.00			

and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the County Legislature is directed to forward certified copies of this resolution to the appropriate County Officials.

RESOLUTION NO. 300

**AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH CFG MEDICAL SERVICES
REGARDING MEDICAL CARE AT THE ALBANY COUNTY
CORRECTIONAL FACILITY**

Introduced: 8/11/25

By Public Safety Committee:

WHEREAS, By Resolution No. 305 for 2021, this Honorable Body authorized a five-year agreement with CFG Medical Services regarding medical care for incarcerated individuals at the Albany County Correctional Facility, and

WHEREAS, The Albany County Sheriff has requested authorization to enter into the fourth year of this five-year agreement for medical care for incarcerated individuals at the Albany County Correctional Facility with CFG Medical Services in an amount not to exceed \$5,743,317 for the term commencing January 1, 2025 and ending December 31, 2025, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature that the County Executive is authorized to enter into the fourth year of a five-year agreement for medical care for incarcerated individuals at the Albany County Correctional Facility with CFG Medical Services, Marlton, NJ 08053 in an amount not to exceed \$5,743,317 for the term commencing January 1, 2025 and ending December 31, 2025, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Attorney is authorized to approve said agreement as to form and content, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the County Legislature is directed to forward certified copies of this resolution to the appropriate County Officials.

RESOLUTION NO. 301

AMENDING THE 2025 SHERIFF'S OFFICE BUDGET: FIRE APPARATUS VEHICLE PURCHASE

Introduced: 8/11/25
 By Public Safety Committee:

WHEREAS, The Albany County Sheriff has requested an amendment to the 2025 Sheriff's Office Budget in order to transfer \$35,000 from the reserve fund line to the Automobile line to complete the purchase of a used Fire Apparatus 2021 Chevy Tahoe, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature, that the 2025 Sheriff's Office Budget is hereby amended as follows:

APPROPRIATIONS						
	ACCOUNT NO.		RESOLUTION DESCRIPTION	INCREASE	DECREASE	DEPARTMENT NAME
A9	3110	2 2400	AUTOMOBILES	35,000.00		SHERIFF'S OFFICE
			TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	35,000.00		
REVENUES						
	ACCOUNT NO.		RESOLUTION DESCRIPTION	INCREASE	DECREASE	DEPARTMENT NAME
A	A	00890	RESERVE EMS AMBULANCE FUND		35,000.00	SHERIFF'S OFFICE
			GRAND TOTALS	35,000.00	35,000.00	

and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the County Legislature is directed to forward certified copies of this resolution to the appropriate County Officials.

RESOLUTION NO. 302

AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 355 FOR 2024 REGARDING THE 2022 HAZARDOUS MATERIALS GRANT AND AMENDING THE 2025 SHERIFF'S OFFICE BUDGET

Introduced: 8/11/25

By Public Safety Committee:

WHEREAS, By Resolution No. 355 for 2024, this Honorable Body authorized an agreement with the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services regarding the fiscal year 2022 Hazardous Materials Grant in an amount of \$171,750 for a term commencing April 1, 2024 and ending August 31, 2025, and

WHEREAS, The Albany County Sheriff has requested authorization to amend the agreement to reflect a term ending August 31, 2026 rather than August 31, 2025, and

WHEREAS, The Sheriff has also requested a budget amendment to enable the most efficient use of the grant funding, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature that Resolution No. 355 for 2024 is amended to reflect a term ending August 31, 2026 rather than August 31, 2025, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the 2025 Sheriff's Office Budget is hereby amended as follows:

					APPROPRIATIONS			
					ACCOUNT NO.	RESOLUTION DESCRIPTION	INCREASE	DECREASE
A9	3110	2	2750	HAZ22	SECURITY EQUIPMENT		8,350.00	
A9	3110	4	4046	HAZ22	FEES FOR SERVICES	8,350.00		
					TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	8,350.00	8,350.00	
					REVENUES			
					ACCOUNT NO.	RESOLUTION DESCRIPTION	DECREASE	INCREASE
								0.00
					TOTAL REVENUES	0.00	0.00	
					GRAND TOTALS	8,350.00	8,350.00	

and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Attorney is authorized to approve said amendment as to form and content, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the County Legislature is directed to forward certified copies of this resolution to the appropriate County Officials.

RESOLUTION NO. 303

AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO AND AN AGREEMENT WITH THE NEW YORK STATE CANAL CORPORATION REGARDING REIMBURSEMENT FOR MARINE PATROL SERVICES

Introduced: 8/11/25

By Public Safety Committee:

WHEREAS, The Albany County Sheriff has requested authorization to submit a grant application to and enter into an agreement with the New York State Canal Corporation regarding reimbursement for marine patrol services in the amount of \$8,000 for the term commencing April 1, 2025 and ending March 31, 2026, and

WHEREAS, The Sheriff has indicated that this funding, which requires a 25% County match, will be used to recuperate a portion of the funds spent patrolling Albany County waterways which are contiguous to the New York State Canal System, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature that the County Executive is authorized to submit a grant application to and enter into an agreement with the New York State Canal Corporation regarding reimbursement for marine patrol services in the amount of \$8,000 for the term commencing April 1, 2025 and ending March 31, 2026, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Attorney is authorized to approve said grant application and agreement as to form and content, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the County Legislature is directed to forward certified copies of this resolution to the appropriate County Officials.

RESOLUTION NO. 304

AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 491 FOR 2022 REGARDING THE COMPREHENSIVE OPIOID, STIMULANT, AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE PROGRAM

Introduced: 8/11/25

By Public Safety Committee and Pedo:

WHEREAS, By Resolution No. 491 for 2022, this Honorable Body authorized an agreement with the United States Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs regarding the Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Abuse Program in an amount of \$1,260,000 for a term commencing October 1, 2022 and ending September 30, 2025, and

WHEREAS, The County Executive has requested authorization to amend the agreement to reflect a term ending September 30, 2026 rather than September 30, 2025 to allow for the award to be fully spent down, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That Resolution No. 491 for 2022 is amended to reflect a term ending September 30, 2026 rather than September 30, 2025, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Attorney is authorized to approve said amendment as to form and content, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the County Legislature is directed to forward certified copies of this resolution to the appropriate County Officials.

RESOLUTION NO. 305

AMENDING THE 2025 VETERANS BUREAU BUDGET: PERSONNEL ADJUSTMENTS

Introduced: 8/11/25
 By Public Safety Committee:

WHEREAS, The Director of the Veterans Service Bureau has requested authorization to amend the 2025 Veterans Service Bureau Budget to create a Temporary Help line to allow the Department to better use per diem staffing to meet the needs of the community, and

WHEREAS, The Director has indicated the Temporary Help line would address immediate workload demands, particularly in processing claims and supporting outreach efforts, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the 2025 Veterans Service Bureau Budget is hereby amended as follows,

BUDGET LINE				DESCRIPTION		INCREASE	DECREASE	UNIT COST	DEPARTMENT NAME
FUND	ORG	OBJ	PROJECT	FOR POSITIONS ONLY					
				STATE POS. CODE	POSITION CONTROL				
A9	6510	19970	10000						
									Temporary Help
						\$17,589		\$17,589	Veterans Service Bureau
A9	6510	11927	10000	001	480011				Veteran Service Officer I
								\$17,589	Veterans Service Bureau
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS						\$17,589	\$17,589		
ESTIMATED REVENUES									
BUDGET LINE				DESCRIPTION		DECREASE	INCREASE	UNIT COST	DEPARTMENT NAME
FUND	ORG	OBJ	PROJECT	FOR POSITIONS ONLY					
				STATE POS. CODE	POSITION CONTROL				
TOTAL REVENUES						\$0	\$0		
GRAND TOTAL						\$17,589	\$17,589		

and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the County Legislature is directed to forward certified copies of this resolution to the appropriate County Officials.

RESOLUTION NO. 306

AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO AND AN AGREEMENT WITH THE NEW YORK STATE DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICES REGARDING THE 2025 GUN INVOLVED VIOLENCE ELIMINATION GRANT AND AMENDING THE 2025 SHERIFF'S OFFICE BUDGET

Introduced: 8/11/25

By Public Safety Committee and Lane:

WHEREAS, The Albany County Sheriff has requested authorization to submit a grant application to and enter into an agreement with the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services regarding the Gun Involved Violence Elimination (GIVE) Initiative in the amount of \$430,110 for the term commencing July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026, and

WHEREAS, The Sheriff has indicated that the GIVE Initiative is a partnership between the Sheriff's Office, New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services, the Albany County District Attorney's Office, the Probation Department, and the City of Albany Police Department, and that funding will assist with the costs involved in having a full-time individual assigned to the Albany-based Capital Region Crime Analysis Center, as well as individuals assigned to the Sheriff's Albany Detail as it relates to the GIVE Initiative, and

WHEREAS, The Sheriff has also requested a budget amendment to incorporate the aforementioned funding, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature, that the County Executive is authorized to submit a grant application to and enter into an agreement with the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services regarding the Gun Involved Violence Elimination Initiative in the amount of \$430,110 for the term commencing July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the 2025 Sheriff's Office Budget is hereby amended as follows:

2025 BUDGET AMENDMENT										
APPROPRIATIONS										
RESOLUTION NO.	BTCH	ACCOUNT NO.				RESOLUTION DESCRIPTION	INCREASE	DECREASE		
	A9	3110	1	9900	GIVE25	OVERTIME	430,110.00			CREATE
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS							430,110.00	0.00		
REVENUES										
RESOLUTION NO.	BTCH	ACCOUNT NO.				RESOLUTION DESCRIPTION	DECREASE	INCREASE		
	A3	3110		03334	GIVE25	OPERATION GIVE		430,110.00		CREATE
TOTAL REVENUES							0.00	430,110.00		
GRAND TOTALS							430,110.00	430,110.00		
Attn: Comptrollers Office - new project code - GIVE25										

and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Attorney is authorized to approve said agreement as to form and content, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the County Legislature is directed to forward certified copies of this resolution to the appropriate County Officials.

RESOLUTION NO. 307

CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE ALBANY COUNTY REAL PROPERTY TAX SERVICE AGENCY

Introduced: 8/11/25

By Personnel Committee:

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature, pursuant to Section 302(c) of the Albany County Charter, that the appointment of Michael McGuire of New Scotland, NY as Director of the Albany County Real Property Tax Service Agency is hereby confirmed by the Albany County Legislature, to serve for a term commencing October 1, 2025 and ending September 30, 2031, in accordance with the provisions of Section 2505 of the Albany County Charter and Section 1530(1) of the Real Property Tax Law, at a salary as appropriated in the Annual County Budget, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the County Legislature is directed to forward certified copies of this resolution to the appropriate County Officials.

RESOLUTION NO. 308

AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH HEALTH INSURANCE SOLUTIONS INCORPORATED REGARDING EMPLOYEE BENEFITS ADVISORY SERVICES

Introduced: 8/11/25

By Personnel Committee:

WHEREAS, The Commissioner of the Department of Human Resources has requested authorization to enter into an agreement with Health Insurance Solutions Incorporated regarding advisory services for employee benefits for Albany County, and

WHEREAS, The Commissioner, working with the Purchasing agent, issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) regarding employee benefit advisory services, and of the 6 responses received, Health Insurance Solutions Incorporated was selected as the best value proposer, and

WHEREAS, The Commissioner indicated that Health Insurance Solutions Incorporated would provide employee benefit advisory services for a term commencing September 1, 2025 and ending August 31, 2026, with two additional one-year options to renew, in an amount based upon the savings realized by Albany County, with an estimated cost savings of roughly \$10 million, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature, that the County Executive is authorized to enter into an agreement with Health Insurance Solutions Incorporated, Telford, PA 18969, regarding employee benefit advisory services for Albany County, in an amount based upon for formula provided in the RFP, for a term commencing September 1, 2025 and ending August 31, 2026, with two additional one-year options to renew, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Attorney is authorized to approve said agreement as to form and content, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the County Legislature is directed to forward certified copies of this resolution to the appropriate County Officials.

RESOLUTION NO. 309

BOND RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY OF ALBANY, NEW YORK, DATED AUGUST 11, 2025, AUTHORIZING THE CONSTRUCTION OF NETWORK UPGRADES FOR THE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, STATING THE ESTIMATED MAXIMUM COST THEREOF IS \$1,500,000, APPROPRIATING SAID AMOUNT THEREFOR, AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,500,000 BONDS OF SAID COUNTY TO FINANCE SAID APPROPRIATION

Introduced: 8/11/25

By Audit and Finance Committee:

THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF THE COUNTY OF ALBANY, NEW YORK, HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The County of Albany, New York (the "County") is hereby authorized to construct network upgrades for the County Sheriff's office, as further described in the County's 2026-2030 Capital Program, as amended and supplemented (hereinafter referred to as the "Capital Program"). The estimated maximum cost of said specific object or purpose, including preliminary costs and costs incidental thereto and the financing thereof (including the costs relating to the issuance of the obligations authorized by this resolution), is an amount not to exceed \$1,500,000 and said amount is hereby appropriated therefor. The plan of financing is described as follows: (a) the issuance of an amount not to exceed \$1,500,000 of bonds (and bond anticipation notes in anticipation of the issuance of such bonds) in such series and amounts as may be necessary to pay the cost thereof, (b) the receipt of various federal and state grants, and/or (c), subject to the discretion of the County, the application of moneys from the County's General Fund or such other moneys of the County that may be available to pay the costs thereof. In the event that such grants or other moneys become available, the County will issue obligations in a principal amount less than the \$1,500,000 amount authorized by this resolution, or pay down such obligations with the amount of such grants and other moneys received by the County.

Section 2. Bonds (and bond anticipation notes in anticipation of the issuance of such bonds) in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$1,500,000 to finance said appropriation are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the provisions of the Law.

Section 3. The following additional matters are hereby determined and stated:

(a) The period of probable usefulness applicable to the specific object or purpose herein authorized and for which \$1,500,000 of said bonds are herein authorized to be issued, within the limitations of Sections 11.00a. 32 and 108 of the New York Local Finance Law (the "Law"), is five (5) years.

(b) Current funds are not required by the Law to be provided as a down payment prior to the issuance of the bonds authorized by this resolution or any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation thereof in accordance with Section 107.00 of the Law.

(c) The proposed maturity of the bonds authorized by this resolution will not exceed five (5) years.

Section 4. The bonds authorized by this resolution and any notes issued in anticipation of the sale of such bonds shall contain the recital of validity prescribed by Section 52.00 of the Law and said bonds and any notes issued in anticipation of said bonds shall be general obligations of the County, payable as to both principal and interest by a general tax upon all the taxable real property within the County. The faith and credit of the County are hereby irrevocably pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds and provision shall be made annually in the budget of the County by appropriation for (a) the amortization and redemption of the bonds and any notes in anticipation thereof to mature in such year and (b) the payment of interest to be due and payable in such year.

Section 5. Subject to the provisions of this resolution and of the Law, pursuant to the provisions of Section 30.00 relative to the authorization of the issuance of bond anticipation notes or the renewals of said notes and of Section 21.00, Section 23.00, Section 50.00, Sections 56.00 to 60.00, Section 62.00, Section 63.00, Section 164.00 and Section 168.00 of the Law, the powers and duties of the County Legislature pertaining or incidental to the sale and issuance of the obligations herein authorized, including but not limited to authorizing bond anticipation notes and prescribing the terms, form and contents and as to the sale and issuance of the bonds herein authorized and of any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of said bonds, and the renewals of said notes, are hereby delegated to the County Comptroller, the chief fiscal officer of the County.

Section 6. The County Comptroller is further authorized to take such actions and execute such documents as may be necessary to ensure the continued status of the interest on the bonds authorized by this resolution and any notes issued in anticipation thereof, as excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes pursuant to Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code") and to designate the bonds authorized by this resolution and any notes issued in anticipation thereof, if applicable, as "qualified tax-exempt bonds" in accordance with Section 265(b)(3)(B)(i) of the Code.

Section 7. The County Comptroller is further authorized to enter into a continuing disclosure undertaking with the initial purchaser of the bonds or notes authorized by this resolution, containing provisions which are satisfactory to such purchaser in compliance with the provisions of Rule 15c2-12, promulgated by the

Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Section 8. Pursuant to Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law, Chapter 43-B of the Consolidated Laws of New York, as amended (the “SEQR Act”) and the regulations adopted pursuant thereto by the Department of Environmental Conservation of the State of New York, being 6 NYCRR Part 617, as amended (the “Regulations” and collectively with the SEQR Act, “SEQRA”), the County must satisfy the requirements contained in SEQRA prior to making a final determination whether to proceed with the above referenced project. Based upon an examination of the projects and memoranda from the Albany County Department of Economic Development, Conservation and Planning, the County hereby makes the following determination: The project authorized by this resolution described in Section 1 constitutes a “Type II action” pursuant to 6 NYCRR 617.5(c)(1) and (5); and therefore that, pursuant to 6 NYCRR 617.6(a)(1)(i), the County has no further responsibilities under SEQRA with respect to the project.

Section 9. The County may initially use funds from the General Fund or such other funds that may be available to pay the cost of the specific objects or purposes authorized by this resolution, pursuant to Section 165.10 of the Law. If the County determines to issue bonds or bond anticipation notes to finance the specific objects or purposes authorized by this resolution, the County then reasonably expects to reimburse such expenditures with the proceeds of such bonds or bond anticipation notes. If the County determines to issue bonds or bond anticipation notes to finance the specific objects or purposes authorized by this resolution, then this resolution shall constitute the declaration of the County’s “official intent” to reimburse the expenditures authorized by Section 1 hereof with the proceeds of the bonds and notes authorized herein, as required by United States Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2. The provisions of this section are expressly subject to the plan of finance as determined by the County as described in Section 1 above.

Section 10. The validity of the bonds authorized by this resolution, and of any notes issued in anticipation of the sale of said bonds, may be contested only if:

- (1) (a) such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which the County is not authorized to expend money, or
- (b) the provisions of law which should be complied with at the date of the publication of such resolution are not substantially complied with,

and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the date of such publication, or

- (2) such obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the constitution.

Section 11. This bond resolution shall take effect immediately and the Clerk of the County Legislature is hereby authorized and directed to publish the foregoing resolution in full (or a summary as permitted by the Law), together with a notice attached in substantially the form as prescribed in Section 81.00 of the Law, in the official newspaper(s) of the County for such publication.

RESOLUTION NO. 310

BOND RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY OF ALBANY, NEW YORK, DATED AUGUST 11, 2025, AUTHORIZING THE CONSTRUCTION OF IMPROVEMENTS TO THE FACILITIES OF THE ALBANY COUNTY SHERIFF, STATING THE ESTIMATED MAXIMUM COST THEREOF IS \$489,000, APPROPRIATING SAID AMOUNT THEREFOR, AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$489,000 BONDS OF SAID COUNTY TO FINANCE SAID APPROPRIATION

Introduced: 8/11/25

By Audit and Finance Committee:

THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF THE COUNTY OF ALBANY, NEW YORK, HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The County of Albany, New York (the "County") is hereby authorized to construct improvements to the facilities of the Albany County Sheriff, as further described in the County's 2026-2030 Capital Program, as amended and supplemented (hereinafter referred to as the "Capital Program"). The estimated maximum cost of said specific object or purpose, including preliminary costs and costs incidental thereto and the financing thereof (including the costs relating to the issuance of the obligations authorized by this resolution), is an amount not to exceed \$489,000 and said amount is hereby appropriated therefor. The plan of financing is described as follows: (a) the issuance of an amount not to exceed \$489,000 of bonds (and bond anticipation notes in anticipation of the issuance of such bonds) in such series and amounts as may be necessary to pay the cost thereof, (b) the receipt of various federal and state grants, and/or (c), subject to the discretion of the County, the application of moneys from the County's General Fund or such other moneys of the County that may be available to pay the costs thereof. In the event that such grants or other moneys become available, the County will issue obligations in a principal amount less than the \$489,000 amount authorized by this resolution, or pay down such obligations with the amount of such grants and other moneys received by the County.

Section 2. Bonds (and bond anticipation notes in anticipation of the issuance of such bonds) in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$489,000 to finance said appropriation are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the provisions of the Law.

Section 3. The following additional matters are hereby determined and stated:

(a) The period of probable usefulness applicable to the specific object or purpose herein authorized and for which \$489,000 of said bonds are herein

authorized to be issued, within the limitations of Section 11.00a. 12 a (2) of the New York Local Finance Law (the “Law”), is fifteen (15) years.

(b) Current funds are not required by the Law to be provided as a down payment prior to the issuance of the bonds authorized by this resolution or any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation thereof in accordance with Section 107.00 of the Law.

(c) The proposed maturity of the bonds authorized by this resolution will exceed five (5) years.

Section 4. The bonds authorized by this resolution and any notes issued in anticipation of the sale of such bonds shall contain the recital of validity prescribed by Section 52.00 of the Law and said bonds and any notes issued in anticipation of said bonds shall be general obligations of the County, payable as to both principal and interest by a general tax upon all the taxable real property within the County. The faith and credit of the County are hereby irrevocably pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds and provision shall be made annually in the budget of the County by appropriation for (a) the amortization and redemption of the bonds and any notes in anticipation thereof to mature in such year and (b) the payment of interest to be due and payable in such year.

Section 5. Subject to the provisions of this resolution and of the Law, pursuant to the provisions of Section 30.00 relative to the authorization of the issuance of bond anticipation notes or the renewals of said notes and of Section 21.00, Section 23.00, Section 50.00, Sections 56.00 to 60.00, Section 62.00, Section 63.00, Section 164.00 and Section 168.00 of the Law, the powers and duties of the County Legislature pertaining or incidental to the sale and issuance of the obligations herein authorized, including but not limited to authorizing bond anticipation notes and prescribing the terms, form and contents and as to the sale and issuance of the bonds herein authorized and of any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of said bonds, and the renewals of said notes, are hereby delegated to the County Comptroller, the chief fiscal officer of the County.

Section 6. The County Comptroller is further authorized to take such actions and execute such documents as may be necessary to ensure the continued status of the interest on the bonds authorized by this resolution and any notes issued in anticipation thereof, as excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes pursuant to Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Code”) and to designate the bonds authorized by this resolution and any notes issued in anticipation thereof, if applicable, as “qualified tax-exempt bonds” in accordance with Section 265(b)(3)(B)(i) of the Code.

Section 7. The County Comptroller is further authorized to enter into a continuing disclosure undertaking with the initial purchaser of the bonds or notes

authorized by this resolution, containing provisions which are satisfactory to such purchaser in compliance with the provisions of Rule 15c2-12, promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Section 8. Pursuant to Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law, Chapter 43-B of the Consolidated Laws of New York, as amended (the “SEQR Act”) and the regulations adopted pursuant thereto by the Department of Environmental Conservation of the State of New York, being 6 NYCRR Part 617, as amended (the “Regulations” and collectively with the SEQR Act, “SEQRA”), the County must satisfy the requirements contained in SEQRA prior to making a final determination whether to proceed with the above referenced project. Based upon an examination of the projects and memoranda from the Albany County Department of Economic Development, Conservation and Planning, the County hereby makes the following determination: The project authorized by this resolution described in Section 1 constitutes a “Type II action” pursuant to 6 NYCRR 617.5(c)(1) and (5); and therefore that, pursuant to 6 NYCRR 617.6(a)(1)(i), the County has no further responsibilities under SEQRA with respect to the project.

Section 9. The County may initially use funds from the General Fund or such other funds that may be available to pay the cost of the specific objects or purposes authorized by this resolution, pursuant to Section 165.10 of the Law. If the County determines to issue bonds or bond anticipation notes to finance the specific objects or purposes authorized by this resolution, the County then reasonably expects to reimburse such expenditures with the proceeds of such bonds or bond anticipation notes. If the County determines to issue bonds or bond anticipation notes to finance the specific objects or purposes authorized by this resolution, then this resolution shall constitute the declaration of the County’s “official intent” to reimburse the expenditures authorized by Section 1 hereof with the proceeds of the bonds and notes authorized herein, as required by United States Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2. The provisions of this section are expressly subject to the plan of finance as determined by the County as described in Section 1 above.

Section 10. The validity of the bonds authorized by this resolution, and of any notes issued in anticipation of the sale of said bonds, may be contested only if:

- (1) (a) such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which the County is not authorized to expend money, or
- (b) the provisions of law which should be complied with at the date of the publication of such resolution are not substantially complied with,

and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the date of such publication, or

- (2) such obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the constitution.

Section 11. This bond resolution shall take effect immediately and the Clerk of the County Legislature is hereby authorized and directed to publish the foregoing resolution in full (or a summary as permitted by the Law), together with a notice attached in substantially the form as prescribed in Section 81.00 of the Law, in the official newspaper(s) of the County for such publication.

RESOLUTION NO. 311

AUTHORIZING THE LISTING OF VARIOUS PARCELS OF REAL PROPERTY FOR PUBLIC SALE PURSUANT TO § 360-40 OF THE ALBANY COUNTY CODE

Introduced: 8/11/25

By Audit and Finance Committee:

WHEREAS, By Resolution No. 141 for 2025, this Honorable Body adopted § 360 of the Albany County Code, implementing a new Disposition Plan for real property acquired through the ‘in rem’ delinquent tax foreclosure process, and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to the Disposition Plan, the County Executive has provided a list of 146 foreclosed parcels of real property located in Albany County which are eligible for public auction, and

WHEREAS, The County Executive has indicated that that no reacquisition requests by former owners or by the estates of former owners have been received regarding the aforementioned parcels, and

WHEREAS, The County Executive has requested authorization to list for public auction the 146 foreclosed parcels of real property located in Albany County as indicated on the spreadsheet annexed hereto, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature, that the County Executive is hereby authorized, pursuant to § 360-40 of the Albany County Code, to list for public auction 146 foreclosed parcels of real property located in Albany County as indicated on the spreadsheet annexed hereto, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the County Legislature is directed to forward certified copies of this resolution to the appropriate County Officials.

Municipality	Street #	Street Name	Tax Map Number	Former Owner	Election District	Legislative District	Class Code	Potential Value	Property Assessed Value at Foreclosure	Tax Statement Amount	Tax Statement Date	Condition-Inspection Report	Inspection Report Date	Index Number	Judgment Granted Date	CURRENT CONDITION 7/1/2025	2025 STATUS Building or Lot
City of Cohoes	168	VILET BLVD	10.11-2.3	McCormick, Mary	District 3	District 18	310 - Residential	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 8,100	\$ 28,884.69	8/31/2020	Poor	7/24/2022	07592-16	6/1/2022		Lot
City of Cohoes	11	SARGENT ST	10.15-4.19	English, Edward S	District 1	District 17	210 - Residential Vacant Land	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 6,200	\$ 3,251.08	12/17/2017	Fair	2/20/2018	6169-13	8/10/2020		Lot
City of Cohoes	9	OAK ST	10.57-3.45	Prows, Florence F	District 3	District 18	220 - Two Family Year-Round Residence	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 66,100	\$ 21,749.97	8/31/2021	Poor	2/23/2022	07592-16	6/1/2022	Poor	Building
City of Cohoes	32	SARGENT ST	10.59-3.4	Marvelli, Daniele	District 1	District 17	311 - Residential Vacant Land	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000	\$ 2,210.88	12/31/2024	Fair		07592-16	6/1/2022		Lot
City of Cohoes	109	SARATOGA ST	10.60-1.25	Chenette, Brian	District 1	District 17	330 - Vacant Land Located In Commercial Areas	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 13,100	\$ 101,184.89	8/31/2021	Poor	2/24/2022	07592-16	6/1/2022		Lot
City of Cohoes	7	Walnut Street	10.65-2.2	Derkowski, Genevieve	District 3	District 18	220 - Two Family Year-Round Residence	\$ 57,300.00	\$ 57,300	\$ 47,134.81	12/31/2024			07725-17	June 29, 2023	Fair	Building
City of Cohoes	73	BROADWAY	10.66-3.15	Hoffman, Geraldine	District 4	District 18	220 - Two Family Year-Round Residence	\$ 80,000.00	\$ 80,000	\$ 42,557.54	11/26/2018	Fair	12/5/2018	6118-14	6/1/2022	Fair	Building
City of Cohoes	28	Cedar Street	10.68-1.14	Macchi, Jason S	District 1	District 17	210 - One Family Year-Round Residence	\$ 68,900.00	\$ 68,900	\$ 44,696.55	12/31/2024	Fair	1/20/2023	06065-18	June 29, 2023	Poor	Building
City of Cohoes	8	Columbia Street	10.75-4.4	LeBarge, Thomas E	District 1	District 17	210 - One Family Year-Round Residence	\$ 53,700.00	\$ 53,700	\$ 58,789.83	12/31/2024	Poor	1/24/2023	07725-17	June 29, 2023	Poor	Building
City of Cohoes	286	ELMORE ST	10.9-3.34	Daigneault, Deborah D	District 4	District 18	311 - Residential Vacant Land	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500	\$ 10,437.39	8/31/2021	Poor	12/7/2018	07592-16	6/1/2022		Lot
City of Cohoes	290	ELMORE ST	10.9-3.35	Daigneault, Deborah D	District 4	District 18	311 - Residential Vacant Land	\$ 8,700.00	\$ 8,700	\$ 20,172.61	8/31/2021	Fair	12/7/2018	07592-16	6/1/2022		Lot
City of Cohoes	332	VILET BLVD	10.9-3.36	Daigneault, Deborah D	District 4	District 18	210 - One Family Year-Round Residence	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 66,500	\$ 2,011.40	8/31/2021	Poor	3/7/2022	07592-16	6/1/2022	Poor	Building
Town of New Scotland	2197	TARRYTOWN ROAD	105.4-2.28	McMillen, Jean Marie	District 4	District 38	311 - Residential Vacant Land	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500	\$ 3,110.87	10/10/2018		4/16/2015	6098-11	6/13/2018		Lot
Town of New Scotland	2123	DELAWARE TPKE	105.4-2.46	Pemberton, Clarence	District 4	District 38	210 - One Family Year-Round Residence	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 81,000	\$ 22,301.07	10/31/2018	Poor	1/22/2019	1579-14	5/20/2019	Poor	Building
Town of Bethlehem	237	WEMPLE RD	109.06-1.23	Traditional Builders Ltd	District 5	District 36	311 - Residential Vacant Land	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 97,100	\$ 22,926.63	5/6/2019		6/29/2019	2651-15	11/20/2019		Lot
Town of Bethlehem		BROCKHAVEN LN	109.10-1.130	Traditional Builders Ltd	District 5	District 36	311 - Residential Vacant Land	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000	\$ 1,246.42	5/6/2019	Fair	6/29/2019	2651-15	11/20/2019		Lot
Town of Bethlehem		PARKER RD	122.00-3.35	MacMillen, Ward	District 2	District 36	311 - Residential Vacant Land	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 34,500	\$ 9,856.04	1/31/2021	Fair	12/1/2021	05419-16	6/1/2022		Lot
Town of Bethlehem		PARKER RD	122.00-3.38	Benko, Alexander	District 2	District 36	311 - Residential Vacant Land	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 24,100	\$ 6,467.00	1/31/2021	Good	12/1/2021	05419-16	6/1/2022		Lot
Town of Guilfordland	3620	WESTERN TPKE	13.00-1.10.1	VanWormer, Mark C	District 21	District 31	312 - Vacant with Improvement	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 54,813	\$ 58,644.19	5/7/2019	Fair	9/20/2019	2651-15	5/20/2021	Poor	Building
Town of Westerlo	158	ST REE 143	140-1.14.1	McCollum, Booker T	District 2	District 39	210 - One Family Year-Round Residence	\$ 105,000.00	\$ 1,050	\$ 28,419.91	5/7/2019	Poor	7/30/2019	2651-15	5/20/2021	Poor	Building
Town of Westerlo		COUNTYSDR DR	151-2.44	Davis, Christopher	District 1	District 39	311 - Residential Vacant Land	\$ 100.00	\$ 100	\$ 2,932.20	1/31/2021	Fair	11/19/2021	05419-16	6/1/2022		Lot
Town of Colonie	69	MORRIS RD	16.4-4.6	Leto, Arnold	District 34	District 27	311 - Residential Vacant Land	\$ 7,700.00	\$ 5,000	\$ 38,874.59	1/31/2021	Fair	11/23/2021	05419-16	6/1/2022		Lot
Town of Colonie	7	CLEGG AVE	16.6-1.1	Seymour Fox Mem Found Inc.	District 34	District 27	311 - Residential Vacant Land	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 1,600	\$ 2,372.21	1/31/2021	Fair	1/10/2022	05419-16	6/1/2022		Lot
Town of Colonie	112	GRAY AVE	16.6-1.12	Seymour Fox Mem Found Inc.	District 34	District 27	311 - Residential Vacant Land	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 1,600	\$ 647.29	1/31/2021	Fair	1/5/2022	05419-16	6/1/2022		Lot
Town of Colonie	123	AMHERST AVE	16.6-1.15	Seymour Fox Mem Found Inc.	District 34	District 27	311 - Residential Vacant Land	\$ 500.00	\$ 500	\$ 659.62	1/31/2021	Fair	1/5/2022	05419-16	6/1/2022		Lot
Town of Colonie	121	AMHERST AVE	16.6-1.16	Seymour Fox Mem Found Inc.	District 34	District 27	311 - Residential Vacant Land	\$ 1,100.00	\$ 1,100	\$ 740.46	1/31/2021	Fair	12/22/2021	05419-16	6/1/2022		Lot
Town of Colonie	119	AMHERST AVE	16.6-1.17	Seymour Fox Mem Found Inc.	District 34	District 27	311 - Residential Vacant Land	\$ 1,100.00	\$ 1,100	\$ 515.46	1/31/2021	Poor	12/22/2021	05419-16	6/1/2022		Lot
Town of Colonie	117	AMHERST AVE	16.6-1.18	Seymour Fox Mem Found Inc.	District 34	District 27	311 - Residential Vacant Land	\$ 2,200.00	\$ 2,200	\$ 801.37	1/31/2021	Poor	12/22/2021	05419-16	6/1/2022		Lot
Town of Colonie	110	AMHERST AVE	16.6-1.36	Seymour Fox Mem Found Inc.	District 34	District 27	311 - Residential Vacant Land	\$ 500.00	\$ 500	\$ 359.62	1/31/2021	Poor	12/22/2021	05419-16	6/1/2022		Lot
Town of Colonie	112	AMHERST AVE	16.6-1.37	Seymour Fox Mem Found Inc.	District 34	District 27	311 - Residential Vacant Land	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 1,600	\$ 644.62	1/31/2021	Poor	12/22/2021	05419-16	6/1/2022		Lot
Town of Colonie	172	AMHERST AVE	16.6-1.40	Seymour Fox Mem Found Inc.	District 34	District 27	311 - Residential Vacant Land	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 1,600	\$ 644.62	1/31/2021	Poor	1/31/2021	05419-16	6/1/2022		Lot
Town of Colonie	132	AMHERST AVE	16.6-1.41	Seymour Fox Mem Found Inc.	District 34	District 27	311 - Residential Vacant Land	\$ 2,700.00	\$ 2,700	\$ 928.69	1/31/2021	Fair	1/31/2021	05419-16	6/1/2022		Lot
Town of Colonie	87	FERRARA AVE	16.6-1.42	Seymour Fox Mem Found Inc.	District 34	District 27	311 - Residential Vacant Land	\$ 2,700.00	\$ 2,700	\$ 928.69	1/31/2021	Fair	12/23/2021	05419-16	6/1/2022		Lot
Town of Colonie	83	FERRARA AVE	16.6-1.43	Seymour Fox Mem Found Inc.	District 34	District 27	311 - Residential Vacant Land	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000	\$ 900.00	1/31/2021			05419-16	2022-06-01		Lot
Town of Colonie	81	FERRARA AVE	16.6-1.44	Seymour Fox Mem Found Inc.	District 34	District 27	311 - Residential Vacant Land	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000	\$ 489.65	1/31/2021	Poor	12/23/2021	05419-16	6/1/2022		Lot
Town of Colonie	79	FERRARA AVE	16.6-1.45	Seymour Fox Mem Found Inc.	District 34	District 27	311 - Residential Vacant Land	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000	\$ 489.65	1/31/2021	Fair	12/23/2021	05419-16	6/1/2022		Lot
Town of Colonie	77	FERRARA AVE	16.6-1.46	Seymour Fox Mem Found Inc.	District 34	District 27	311 - Residential Vacant Land	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000	\$ 489.65	1/31/2021	Poor	12/23/2021	05419-16	6/1/2022		Lot
Town of Colonie	78	GRAY AVE	16.6-1.9	Seymour Fox Mem Found Inc.	District 34	District 27	311 - Residential Vacant Land	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200	\$ 541.33	1/31/2021	Poor	12/23/2021	05419-16	6/1/2022		Lot
Town of Colonie	80	FERRARA AVE	16.6-2.3	Davis, Christopher	District 34	District 27	311 - Residential Vacant Land	\$ 1,700.00	\$ 1,700	\$ 842.02	1/31/2021	Poor	12/23/2021	05419-16	6/1/2022		Lot
Town of Colonie	85	FISLER AVE	16.6-2.53	Harrell, David C	District 34	District 27	311 - Residential Vacant Land	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 1,600	\$ 614.40	1/31/2021	Fair	12/10/2021	05419-16	6/1/2022		Lot
Town of Rensselaerville		NILES ROAD EXT	161-1.7	Unknown	District 3	District 39	314 - Rural Vacant Lots or 10 Acres or Less	\$ 500.00	\$ 854	\$ 3,200.00	12/31/2024			4248-07	3/8/2012		Lot
Town of Coeymans	136	168 Row Tree (with common wall)	168.10-4.2	Macera, Justin C	District 3	District 37	210 - One Family Year-Round Residence	\$ 127,400.00	\$ 98,700	\$ 39,668.83	1/31/2019	Fair	1/15/2019	05419-16	6/1/2022		Lot
Town of Coeymans	2	LITHE BLVD	168.8-1.12	Macera, Justin C	District 3	District 37	210 - One Family Year-Round Residence	\$ 150,000.00	\$ 164,000	\$ 43,317.68	10/31/2018	Fair	1/24/2019	1579-14	5/20/2019		Lot
Town of Colonie	74	MILLER ROAD	19.2-3.34.42	Rosewood Plaza, LP	District 4	District 20	311 - Residential Vacant Land	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 3,000	\$ 2,807.36	5/7/2019	Fair	7/21/2019	2651-15	11/20/2019		Lot
City of Cohoes	506	SARATOGA ST	20.12-2.3	Benac, Paul R	District 3	District 17	210 - One Family Year-Round Residence	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 56,000	\$ 46,228.66	8/27/2021	Fair	4/10/2019	6118-14	9/28/2020	Fair	Building
City of Cohoes	270	Central Ave	20.8-3.36	Diach, Shirley	District 3	District 17	210 - One Family Year-Round Residence	\$ 185,159.00	\$ 59,100	\$ 53,252.78	12/31/2024	Fair	1/20/2023	07725-17	June 29, 2023	Poor	Building
City of Cohoes	31	LINCOLN AVE	20.8-3.37	Ranck, Edward L	District 3	District 17	220 - Two Family Year-Round Residence	\$ 117,400.00	\$ 98,700	\$ 29,230.38	12/16/2020			07592-16	6/1/2022		Lot
Town of Guilfordland		N PARKWAY DR	27.20-1.52	Masters, Carmen	District 9	District 29	311 - Residential Vacant Land	\$ 1,400.00	\$ 1,100	\$ 1,623.88	10/31/2018	Fair	1/29/2019	1579-14	5/20/2019		Lot
Town of Guilfordland		BROOKVIEW DR	28.05-2.1	Masters, Carmen	District 8	District 29	311 - Residential Vacant Land	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000	\$ 1,623.88	10/31/2018	Fair	1/29/2019	1579-14	5/20/2019		Lot
City of Watervliet	2441	Broadway	32.51-3.3	McHigh, Joanne	District 1	District 16	330 - Vacant Land Located In Commercial Areas	\$ 100,351.00	\$ 31,800	\$ 17,045.32	12/31/2024	Fair	1/9/2023	07726-16	June 29, 2023	Fair	Building
City of Watervliet	1616	7th Ave	32.66-2.4	Lamora, David J	District 3	District 15	220 - Two Family Year-Round Residence	\$ 123,700.00	\$ 123,700	\$ 87,804.84	4/21/2021	Fair	1/9/2023	07726-16	June 29, 2023	Fair	Building
City of Watervliet	3343	3RD AVE	32.74-4.47	Dugan, William C	District 6	District 15	311 - Residential Vacant Land	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 116,300	\$ 80,770.61	8/31/2020	Fair	2/3/2022	07591-16	6/1/2022		Lot
Town of Knox	500	BOZENKILL ROAD	36-2.8	Van Denburg, Ronald K	District 1	District 31	210 - One Family Year-Round Residence	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 18,300	\$ 9,486.82	5/2/2017	Poor	8/17/2017	1946-12	10/18/2017	Poor	Building
Town of Knox	121	SCHERERHORN RD	4.4-1.14	Palka, Tad M	District 1	District 19	Canal Corp Issue, Vacant Lot	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 43,800	\$ 6,110.59	5/7/2019	Fair	1/10/2019	2651-15	5/20/2021	Poor	Building
City of Watervliet	103	4th Street	44.50-3.12	Roberts, Mark G	District 4	District 15	210 - One Family Year-Round Residence	\$ 96,800.00	\$ 96,800	\$ 53,469.49	12/31/2024	Fair	1/11/2023	07726-16	June 29, 2023	Fair	Building
City of Watervliet	212	2nd Avenue	44.58-1.35	Williams, Mary L	District 4	District 15	220 - Two Family Year-Round Residence	\$ 6,448.00	\$ 24,800	\$ 55,800.78	7/31/2022	Fair	1/16/2021	07591-16	2023-10-03	Fair	Building
City of Watervliet	329	Broadway	44.58-2.29	Lorenc Holdings LLC	District 4	District 15	311 - Residential Vacant Land										

RESOLUTION NO. 312

AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH EMPIRE STATE DEVELOPMENT REGARDING CAPITAL GRANT FUNDING AND AMENDING THE 2025 DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CONSERVATION AND PLANNING BUDGET

Introduced: 8/11/25

By Audit and Finance Committee:

WHEREAS, The County Executive has requested authorization to enter into an agreement with Empire State Development regarding capital grant funding, and

WHEREAS, The County Executive indicated that Empire State Development funding is available through the New York Regional Economic Development Council Initiative for capital-based economic development projects in the amount of \$1,610,000 for the demolition of the Central Warehouse in the City of Albany, and

WHEREAS, A budget amendment is necessary to accept said funding, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature, that the County Executive is authorized to enter into an agreement with Empire State Development, Albany, NY 12207, regarding acceptance of funding for the demolition of the Central Warehouse in an amount of \$1,610,000, for a term commencing August 22, 2025 and ending August 21, 2026, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the 2025 Department of Economic Development, Conservation and Planning Budget is hereby amended as follows:

Increase Revenue Account A3 8020 0 3987 Restore NY – Central Warehouse Demo by \$1,610,000

Increase Appropriation Account A9 8020.4 by \$1,610,000 by Increasing line item A9 8020 4 4977 Restore NY – Central Warehouse Demo by \$1,610,000

and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Attorney is authorized to approve said agreement as to form and content, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the County Legislature is directed to forward certified copies of this resolution to the appropriate County Officials.

LOCAL LAW NO. “Q” FOR 2024

**A LOCAL LAW OF THE COUNTY OF ALBANY, NEW YORK CREATING
CHAPTER 114 OF THE ALBANY COUNTY CODE, REGARDING THE
CREATION OF THE ALBANY COUNTY OFFICE OF ASSIGNED COUNSEL**

Introduced: 10/15/24

By Kuhn:

A LOCAL LAW amending the Laws of Albany County by adding a new Chapter 114 relating to the creation of the Albany County Office of Assigned Counsel.

BE IT ENACTED By the County Legislature of the County of Albany as follows:

Section 1. A new Chapter is hereby added to the Laws of Albany County to read as follows:

Chapter 114

ALBANY COUNTY OFFICE OF ASSIGNED COUNSEL

Sec. 114—101. Short Title

Sec. 114—102. Purpose

Sec. 114—103. Definitions

Sec. 114—104. Board of Directors, Membership

Sec. 114—105. Board of Directors, Powers and Duties

Sec. 114—106. Assigned Counsel Administrator, Appointment, Term.

Sec. 114—107. Operation of Program

Sec. 114—108. Rules and Regulations

Sec. 114---109. Severability

Sec. 114—101. Short Title.

This Chapter shall be known as and cited as “The Albany County Office of Assigned Counsel.”

Sec. 114–102. Establishment, Purpose.

Pursuant to New York State County Law Article 18-B, §722(3)(a)(b) there shall be an Office of Assigned Counsel, which shall operate as an independent office separate from the Albany County Office of the Public Defender and the Albany

County Office of the Alternate Public Defender. The purpose of said office is to maintain an Assigned Counsel Program in the County by establishing protocols and policies for assigning attorneys to indigent clients in both family court and the criminal court(s) to ensure the provision of professional, skilled, ethical and client-centered legal representation of such indigent clients. The Assigned Counsel Program shall operate in compliance with the Standards for establishing and Administering Assigned Counsel Programs promulgated by the New York State Office of Indigent Legal Services pursuant to New York State Executive Law §832 (the “Standards”).

Further, the development and creation of this plan is done in conjunction with the recent provision of funding dedicated to providing defense to persons unable to afford counsel as established by the State of New York via the Hurrell-Herring Settlement. This Plan shall remain in force and effect unless and until those resources are extinguished.

Sec. 114—103. Definitions

- a. Administrator—the person who administers the Assigned Counsel Program in the County and ensures that all appropriate Standards are met;
- b. Assigned Counsel—A private attorney or attorneys, other than an attorney or attorneys employed by the Public or Alternate Public Defender’s Offices, paid by the government at an hourly rate established under New York State County Law Article 18-B to represent eligible clients;
- c. Assigned Counsel Program—An entity within the County of Albany that sets forth protocols and policies for the assignment of attorneys to public defense clients and ensures that those attorneys provide quality representation;
- d. Clients—Persons entitled to representation in criminal defense and family law matters under County Law, Article 18-B, as determined in accordance with applicable standards set by the New York State Office of Indigent Legal Services (hereinafter referred to as “NYS ILS”);
- e. County—The County of Albany;

- f. Independent—Freedom from improper influence and control by any outside entity to ensure that the Assigned Counsel Program and assigned counsel make decisions based solely on the interests of their clients;
- g. Judge(s)—Judges, magistrates, and any other persons with adjudicative powers over clients eligible for mandated representation;
- h. Mandated Representation—Government-funded legal representation that is constitutionally or statutorily required including, but not limited to, representation in criminal matters pursuant to New York State County Law Article 18-B, family court proceedings, and appellate representation;
- i. Mentor(s), Mentoring Attorney(s), Resource Attorney(s)—An experienced attorney who provides training, consultation, and guidance to other attorneys on the Panel;
- j. Office of the Assigned Counsel Program—The office responsible for administering the Assigned Counsel program in Albany County;
- k. Panel—The Assigned Counsel Program’s list of attorneys eligible to receive assignments in the County, which should be limited to those in good standing and with the requisite skills and training. The Assigned Counsel Program shall develop regulations and requirements for representation that comport with applicable guidelines provided by the New York State Office of Indigent Legal Services.
- l. Panel Attorney—An attorney who has been evaluated by the Albany County Assigned Counsel Program, and is rendering services to eligible persons in family and criminal court(s);
- m. Quality Representation—Representation of clients in a professional, skilled, ethical and client-centered manner, consistent with best practices as defined by the Standards;
- n. Standards—Standards for Establishing and Administering Assigned Counsel Programs in New York State promulgated by the New York State Office of Indigent Legal Services pursuant to New York State Executive Law §832;
- o. Supervising Attorney—An attorney, selected by the Assigned Counsel program administrator who assists the Administrator in the execution of the tasks necessary to operate the Assigned Counsel Program and ensure that its

responsibilities are executed in compliance with the Standards and all other applicable law;

- p. Vouchers—Document(s) supplied by a Panel Attorney which details an assigned counsel matter, the fees for representation and disbursements that were incurred by a Panel Attorney during their representation of a person unable to afford counsel. Completed and accurate Vouchers are necessary in order to secure payment.

Sec. 114-104. Assigned Counsel Board of Directors

- a. There shall be an Assigned Counsel Board of Directors, which shall consist of seven (7) members. Five (5) members shall be appointed by the County Executive, one (1) shall be appointed by the Chairperson of the Albany County Legislature, and one (1) shall be appointed by the Majority Leader of the Albany County Legislature. The Board shall consist of the following:
 - (i) Three (3) members chosen by the County Executive, shall be chosen from among those individuals recommended to the County Executive by the following: one (1) member recommended from the Albany County Bar Association; one (1) member recommended by the Albany County Women's Bar Association; and one (1) member recommended by the Capital District Black and Hispanic Bar Association;
 - (ii) One (1) member chosen by the County Executive shall be an attorney who actively practices criminal or family law;
 - (iii) One (1) member chosen by the County Executive shall be a member of the general public who is not a member of the legal profession;
 - (iv) One (1) member chosen by the Majority Leader shall be a former assigned counsel attorney who has practiced family law; and
 - (v) One (1) member chosen by the Chairperson of the Legislature who shall be a former assigned counsel attorney who has practiced criminal law;
 - (vi) One (1) member shall be the Chairperson of the Law Committee of the Albany County Legislature, who shall serve as an *ex officio*, non-voting member of the Board.

Upon making their formal recommendation, the County Executive, the Chairperson of the Legislature and the Majority Leader shall notify each of the respective offices regarding their appointments. Each appointment shall be

filed with the Clerk of the Albany County Legislature within forty-five (45) days of their recommendation.

- b. When a vacancy occurs in the membership of the Assigned Counsel Board of Directors, the vacancy shall, within forty-five (45) days, be filled for the unexpired portion of the term in the same manner as the original appointment.
- c. The majority of the Board's members shall be attorneys who are not judges. No member of the board of Directors shall hold a position as a prosecutor, a member of law enforcement or any other government official whose duties may be adversarial to clients receiving mandated representation.
- d. There shall be a Chair of the Board of Directors. Such individual shall be chosen from among the members of the Board of Directors upon a majority vote. The Chair shall serve for a two (2) year term, but in no instance shall said term extend beyond the member's term of appointment as a member of the Board of Directors. No member shall be eligible to serve as Chair for consecutive terms. No judge shall serve as the Chair of the Board of Directors.
- e. The members of the Board of Directors shall be appointed for a term of two (2) years, except as indicated below, beginning on January 1 and ending on December 31 of the following calendar year, terms for the inaugural Board of Directors shall be as follows:
 - a. The members appointed by the County Executive, as recommended by, the Albany County Bar Association, the Albany County Women's Bar Association, and the Capital District Black and Hispanic Bar Association shall serve from January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025;
 - b. The member appointed by the County Executive who actively practices criminal or family law shall serve from January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2026;
 - c. The member appointed by the County Executive who is a member of the general public and not a member of the legal profession shall serve from January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025;
 - d. The member appointed by the Majority Leader of the Legislature shall serve from January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025; and,
 - e. The member appointed by the Chairperson of the Legislature shall serve from January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2026.

- f. No person shall serve as a member of the Board of Directors for more than three (3) consecutive two (2) year terms. Members of the Board of Directors shall continue to serve until their successors have been appointed.
- g. Any individual chosen to fill a vacancy created otherwise than by expiration of a term shall be appointed in the same manner in which their successor was appointed and for the unexpired term of the member whom he or she is to succeed.
- h. In all instances, the Board of Directors shall require an affirmative vote of at least four (4) members of the Board to take any official action, or to exercise any of the powers and duties authorized by this law.
- i. No member of the Board of Directors shall be compensated for the services to be provided but may be reimbursed for any reasonable expenses that may be incurred in the conduct of their official duties as Board members.

Sec. 114—105. Board of Directors, powers and duties

The Board of Directors shall have the following powers and duties:

- a. Provide guidance and advice on the operation of the Assigned Counsel Program in the County;
- b. Appoint the Assigned Counsel Program Administrator in consultation with the New York State Office of Indigent Legal Services and subject to approval by the Albany County Executive and confirmation of the Albany County Legislature;
- c. Study and review the existing program under Article 18-B of the New York State County Law for provisions of representation in the courts for persons unable to afford counsel, and recommend any appropriate modifications to the program;
- d. Establish and implement uniform rules and regulations in compliance with the Standards for creation and administration of the Assigned Counsel Program to enable the effective provision of legal services for persons unable to afford counsel in Albany County;
- e. Review the annual Budget request from the Assigned Counsel Program Administrator for submission to the Albany County Commissioner of

Management and Budget in compliance with County budgetary law and procedures;

- f. Consult with the New York State Office of Indigent Legal Services, the Judiciary, and community groups regarding the provisions of legal services for persons unable to afford counsel in the County;
- g. Prepare and review an Annual Report for submission to the County Executive and County Legislature by December 31st of each year regarding the services provided by the Assigned Counsel Program including but not limited to: numbers and types of cases, attorney caseloads, and Office expenditures;
- h. Meet on at least a biannual basis in order to ensure that all the responsibilities and duties of the Assigned Counsel Program are executed in a prompt and efficient manner.

Sec. 114—106. Assigned Counsel Program Administrator; appointment, qualifications, term

- a. The Board of Directors shall nominate an Assigned Counsel Program Administrator subject to the approval of the Albany County Executive and confirmation by the Albany County Legislature. Any person so nominated shall be an attorney in good standing, licensed in State of New York, possess administrative experience, be well-versed in Criminal and/or Family law matters, and demonstrate integrity and commitment to quality representation of persons unable to afford counsel;
- b. The Administrator shall serve full-time and shall not engage in the private practice of law during their appointment.
- c. The Administrator shall serve a term of five (5) years subject to another nomination at the discretion of the Board of Directors and the approval of the County Executive and confirmation by the Albany County Legislature.
- d. The Administrator serves, pursuant to § 2507 of the Albany County Charter, and may be removed for cause, after notice and opportunity to be heard in compliance with procedures established by the Board of Directors.

Sec. 114—107. Assigned Counsel Program Administrator; Powers and Duties.

- a. The Administrator shall be the administrative head of the office, and shall have the duty to ensure to the extent possible that all persons unable to afford counsel are provided with quality legal representation as soon as feasible after arrest, detention or after they request counsel in a criminal case, and at the earliest possible stage of a state intervention case in family court;
- b. Develop and monitor program policies, standards, and operational procedures of the Assigned Counsel Program regarding qualifications for appointment to each panel, recruitment of attorneys to serve on each panel, limitations on attorney caseloads, guidelines for administrative responsibilities of panel attorneys and supervision and review of attorney caseloads and quality of legal representation;
- c. Maintain panels of attorneys eligible to receive assignments for representation of persons unable to afford counsel based upon sufficient knowledge and experience. These panels are required to be subdivided into categories commensurate with the experience of each respective panel attorney and consistent with the Standards. The Administrator shall be responsible for establishing the requirements and conditions necessary for attorneys to be assigned more complex matters.
- d. Establish qualifications and standards for certification of attorneys to become members of the panels. All determinations on applications for certification to the panels shall be made by the Assigned Counsel Program Administrator. Any attorney aggrieved by the determination of the Administrator may seek review of the determination by the Board of Directors.
- e. Establish procedures and standards for a recertification program. Upon review of recertification applications and any other relevant information provided, the Assigned Counsel Administrator shall make determinations regarding all applications. All determinations regarding applications for recertification to the panels shall be made by the Administrator. Any Attorney aggrieved by the determination of the Administrator may seek review of the determination by the Board of Directors.
- f. Ensure adequate participation on the panels and that training for assigned counsel is provided.

- g. Oversee the rotation and coordination of Panel Attorneys, implement a fair and prompt process for assignment of Panel Attorneys to all matters, ensure that the ability, training and experience of panel attorneys are matched to the complexity of the cases to which they are assigned, and timely assignments of counsel to persons unable to afford counsel as soon as feasible after arrest, detention or after a request for counsel in a criminal case is made, and at the earliest possible stage of a state intervention case in family court;
- h. Review all vouchers for services provided through the Assigned Counsel Program including attorney vouchers to ensure proper payment for services performed;
- i. Prepare any and all Budget proposal for the Office of the Assigned Counsel Program for review by the Board of Directors and County Department pursuant to County law and policy.
- j. Maintain records of accounts and expenditures of the Office of Assigned Counsel Program in compliance with all applicable law and County policy;
- k. Serve as an information resource to the Board of Directors and the attorneys on each assigned counsel panel;
- l. Establish procedures for submission, investigation, and resolution of complaints from clients, client family members, co-counsel, opposing counsel, and the judiciary regarding legal representation;
- m. Conduct a periodic evaluation and review of the Assigned Counsel Program budget and communicate fiscal and programmatic needs of the program to the New York State Office of Indigent Legal Services to obtain state funding;
- n. Prepare contracts with appropriate legal organizations such as the Albany County Bar Association and other Assigned Counsel Programs to perform certain services required by the Assigned Counsel Program enumerated in this Chapter in compliance with all legal and budgetary mandates;
- o. Attend meeting(s) of the Board of Directors and provide the annual reports as requested by the Board of Directors on the Assigned Counsel Program which shall include number of cases assigned, attorneys assigned, services provided to the Panels and office expenditures;
- p. Ensure compliance with County Law, policies, and procedures;

- q. Approve requests by panel attorneys of use of funding issued by the New York State Office of Indigent Legal Services for any non-attorney professional services such as investigators, expert witnesses, social workers, interpreters, mental health, supervised visitation or any other professional services as required to provide quality representation.
- r. Remove or suspend for a definite period of time, an attorney from the panel for cause, upon notice and opportunity to be heard, subject to review by the Board of Directors pursuant to procedures established by the Assigned Counsel Program.
- s. Make applications for other sources of state and federal funding to meet the budgetary and programmatic needs of the Assigned Counsel Program;
- t. Ensure that data is collected and reported to the New York State Office of Indigent Legal Services (“NYS ILS”) as required by County Law § 722-f, and in accordance with all valid NYS ILS contracts;
- u. Any other duties necessary to carry out the purposes of this Chapter.

Sec. 114—108. Assignment of Defense Counsel

- a. Order of Assignment—The Albany County Public Defender’s Office has the primary responsibility for providing services for the defense/representation of persons unable to afford counsel in a particular matter. In the event that the Albany County Public Defender’s Office is determined to have a conflict, this responsibility will pass to the Albany County Alternate Public Defender’s Office. The Albany County Alternate Public Defender’s Office has the secondary responsibility for the defense/representation of persons unable to afford counsel in a particular matter. If the Alternate Public Defender’s Office is determined to have a conflict, then the Assigned Counsel Program will have the responsibility to assign counsel to persons unable to afford counsel pursuant to the provisions of the Plan. The Court may, utilizing its inherent powers, appoint an attorney from the Assigned Counsel Program’s list of Panel Attorneys to a case involving persons unable to afford counsel if circumstances require an immediate appointment, and the Court is unable to contact the Assigned Counsel Program to make such an appointment. If the Court makes such an appointment, they shall notify the Assigned Counsel Program within two (2) days of the assignment. Such notification shall be in a manner which

ensures that the Assigned Counsel Program is informed of the Court's appointment as soon as practicable.

- b. Counsel at First Appearance (CAFA) Program--The Albany County Public Defender's Office and Alternate Public Defender's Office administer a program to provide representation to persons unable to afford counsel at that persons first appearance and arraignment. In the event that the Public Defender's Office and Alternate Public Defender's Office cannot provide representation to an eligible person who is unable to afford counsel, the Court may assign a Panel Attorney to represent the person eligible for assigned counsel from a list provided by the Assigned Counsel Program.
- c. Acceptance—Attorneys may be asked to accept assignment in emergencies or on very short notice. While acceptance of such assignments is not required, it is strongly encouraged.
- d. Non-Criminal Matters—The Administrator shall assign counsel to any person legally entitled to representation in family court or other matters constitutionally or statutorily eligible for representation. The Administrator may assign counsel at earliest stage possible. In family law matters, this includes the assignment of counsel to parents and other legally responsible adults, as those terms are defined by relevant law, during a child welfare investigation. The Assigned Counsel Administrator shall develop rules and regulations for the assignment of counsel to persons unable to afford counsel in all other legally eligible matters.
- e. Manner of Assignment—The Administrator shall make assignment on a rotating basis from a list of all eligible participating attorneys. In assigning counsel, due regard shall be given to the following factors: (1) Potential conflict(s) of interest; (2) Geographic proximity; (3) Prior representation (continuity of counsel); (4) Attorney caseload; and (5) Applicable expertise and experience with the type of case involved.
- f. Second Chair, Resource Attorneys—Pursuant to the rules and regulations developed by the Assigned Counsel Program, the Administrator may require (or Panel Attorneys may request) that the Panel Attorney consult a Resource Attorney or 2nd Chair Attorney as appropriate.
- g. Amendments—The Assigned Counsel Program may, with a majority vote of the Board of Directors and the written approval of the New York State Office

of Indigent Legal Services, make such amendments to this assignment process as are necessary and proper.

Sec. 114—109. Responsibilities of Assigned Counsel Program

- a. The Assigned Counsel Program shall ensure that Panel Attorneys have access to non-attorney professional services such as investigative, expert witnesses, social workers, interpreters, mental health professionals, supervised visitation or any other professional service, as required, to provide quality representation;
- b. The work of assigned counsel shall be periodically evaluated based upon objective criteria developed and published by the Assigned Counsel Program;
- c. Each attorney new to the representation of a person unable to afford counsel may receive a mentor to assist the attorney to provide quality representation;
- d. All assigned counsel shall have access to appropriate substantive, procedural, and practical training programs through the Albany County Bar Association and other organizations that provide legal training as well as Resource Attorneys who are available for private consultation on case related matters;
- e. Ensure the creation of a “2nd Chair Program” for the criminal panel whereby attorneys are paired on more complex cases in order to obtain more litigation and more trial experience;
- f. Undertake effort to ensure provision of adequate facilities for client meetings, equipment, and legal research programs for Panel Attorneys;
- g. Develop appropriate resources for Panel Attorneys who may be handling complex litigation including matters requiring forensic expertise;
- h. Ensure that any attorney seeking appointment to the Panel through initial certification or recertification carries professional liability insurance.

Sec. 114—110. Rules and Regulations

The Administrator, with the support of the Board of Directors, shall establish rules and regulations for the administration of the Assigned Counsel Program, and update

them as necessary. A copy of such rules and regulations so established shall be filed with the Clerk of the Albany County Legislature and the Office of the Albany County Attorney.

Sec. 114—111. Severability

If any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, section, or part of this ordinance or the application thereof to any person, individual, corporation, firm, partnership, entity, or circumstance shall be adjudged by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unconstitutional, such order or judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, section or part of this ordinance, or in its applications to the person, individual, corporation, firm, partnership, entity, or circumstance directly involved in the controversy in which such order or judgement shall be rendered.

This Local Law shall take effect upon filing with the Secretary of State.

Referred to Law Committee – 10/15/24

Favorable Recommendation Law Committee – 12/2/24

Favorable Recommendation Law Committee – 7/30/25

LOCAL LAW NO. “C” FOR 2025

A LOCAL LAW OF THE COUNTY OF ALBANY, NEW YORK AMENDING CHAPTER 270 OF THE ALBANY COUNTY CODE REGARDING CREATING A REAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR CONSTRUCTION OF ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS ON EXISTING RESIDENTIAL PARCELS

Introduced: 5/12/25

By Cunningham and Willingham:

A Local Law amending Chapter 270 of the Albany County Code to create a real property tax exemption for the increase in assessed value of a parcel which has a pre-existing residential building, and where one or more accessory dwelling units has been added.

BE IT ENACTED by the Albany County Legislature as follows:

Section 1. New Article Added.

This Local Law hereby amends Chapter 270 by adding a new Article XX, titled “Real Property Exemption for Accessory Dwelling Unit(s)”

Section 2., Title.

This Local Law shall be known as the “Albany County Accessory Dwelling Unit Tax Exemption.”

Section 3. § 270-166, Legislative Purpose and Intent.

In April 2024, the New York State Legislature adopted a law, codified at Real Property Tax Law (RPTL) § 421-p, to allow local governments to adopt a partial exemption from taxes for the increase in assessed value of a parcel having a pre-existing one- or two-family residential building thereon, resulting from construction, reconstruction, alteration, and/or improvement on the parcel to create one or more accessory dwelling units.

The Albany County Legislature finds that it is in the best interests of the residents of Albany County to adopt this partial exemption for those interested in improving their properties with one or more accessory dwelling units. This exemption shall not apply to any accessory dwelling unit which is used for rentals of any period less than 29 days.

Section 4. § 270-167, Definitions.

Accessory Dwelling Unit – any attached or a detached residential dwelling unit that provides complete independent living facilities for one or more persons which is located on a lot with provisions for living, sleeping, eating, cooking, and sanitation on the same lot as the single-family or multi-family dwelling.

Section 5. § 270-168, Exemption for the Improvement of Certain Residential Property to Add One or More Accessory Dwelling Unit(s).

Exemption Granted. Pursuant to RPTL § 421-p, there shall be a partial exemption from Albany County real property taxation for the increase in assessed value of a parcel which has a pre-existing one- or two-family residential building thereon, as a result of construction, reconstruction, alteration, or improvement on the parcel to create one or more accessory dwelling units. Such exemption shall be provided in accordance with and subject to all eligibility criteria and limitations set forth in the foregoing state law, provided however that no exemption shall be granted when the accessory dwelling unit is rented for periods of 29 days or less.

Exemption Limit. Such exemption shall be limited to two hundred thousand dollars in increased market value of the property attributable to such reconstruction, alteration, improvement, or new construction and any increase in market value greater than such amount shall not be eligible for the exemption pursuant to this local law.

Section 6. Severability.

If any clause, sentence, paragraph, section, subdivision, or other part of this local law or its application shall be adjudged by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unconstitutional, such order or judgment shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder of the local law which shall remain in full force and effect except as limited by such order or judgment.

Section 7. SEQRA Compliance.

This County Legislature determines that this local law constitutes a “Type II action” pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA), and that no further action under SEQRA is required.

Section 8. Effective Date.

This local law shall take effect on January 1, 2026.

Referred to Law and Audit and Finance Committees – 5/12/25

Favorable Recommendation Audit and Finance Committee – 6/26/25

Favorable Recommendation Law Committee – 7/30/25

LOCAL LAW NO. "E" FOR 2025

A LOCAL LAW OF THE COUNTY OF ALBANY, NEW YORK, IMPOSING AN ADDITIONAL ONE PERCENT RATE OF TAX ON SALES AND USES OF TANGIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY AND OF CERTAIN SERVICES, AND ON OCCUPANCY OF HOTEL ROOMS AND AMUSEMENT CHARGES, PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 29 OF THE TAX LAW OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

Introduced: 6/9/25

By Cunningham and Reidy:

BE IT ENACTED by the County Legislature of the County of Albany, as follows:

SECTION 1. The first sentence of Section 2 of Local Law No. 3 for 1967, entitled "A Local Law of the County of Albany in relation to the imposition of a County Sales and Use Tax", as amended, is amended to read as follows:

"SECTION 2. Imposition of sales tax. On and after March 1, 1970, there is hereby imposed and there shall be paid a tax of three percent upon, and for the period commencing September 1, 1992, and ending November 30, 2027, there is hereby imposed and there shall be paid an additional tax at the rate of one percent upon."

SECTION 2. Section 2-B of such Local Law No. 3 for 1967, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

"SECTION 2-B. Exemption of certain energy sources and related services from additional one percent rate of tax.

Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision of this Local Law, receipts from the sale of property and services described in Section 2-A of this Local Law and consideration given or contracted to be given for such property and services shall be exempt from the additional one percent rate of sales and compensating use taxes imposed by Sections 2 and 4, respectively, of this Local Law for the period commencing September 1, 1992, and ending November 30, 2027."

SECTION 3. Subdivision (g) of Section 3 of such Local Law No. 3 for 1967, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

"(g) With respect to the additional tax of one percent imposed for the period commencing September 1, 1992, and ending November 30, 2027, the provisions of subdivisions (a), (b), (c), (d) and (e) of this Section apply,

except that for the purposes of this subdivision, all references in said subdivisions (a), (b), (c) and (d) to an effective date shall be read as referring to September 1, 1992, all references in said subdivision (a) to the date four months prior to the effective date shall be read as referring to May 1, 1992, and the reference in subdivision (b) to the date immediately preceding the effective date shall be read as referring to August 31, 1992. Nothing herein shall be deemed to exempt from tax at the rate in effect prior to September 1, 1992, any transaction which may not be subject to the additional tax imposed effective on that date.”

SECTION 4. Section 4 of such Local Law No. 3 for 1967, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

“SECTION 4. Imposition of compensating use tax.

(a) Except to the extent that property or services have already been or will be subject to the sales tax under this enactment, there is hereby imposed on every person a use tax for the use within this taxing jurisdiction on and after September 1, 1992, except as otherwise exempted under this enactment, (A) of any tangible personal property purchased at retail, (B) of any tangible personal property (other than computer software used by the author or other creator) manufactured, processed or assembled by the user, (i) if items of the same kind of tangible personal property are offered for sale by him in the regular course of business or (ii) if items are used as such or incorporated into a structure, building or real property, by a contractor, subcontractor or repairman in erecting structures or buildings, or building on, or otherwise adding to, altering, improving, maintaining, servicing or repairing real property, property or land, as the terms real property, property or land are defined in the real property tax law, if items of the same kind are not offered for sale as such by such contractors, subcontractor or repairman or other user in the regular course of business, (C) of any of the services described in paragraphs (1), (7) and (8) of subdivision (c) of Section Two, (D) of any tangible personal property, however acquired, where not acquired for purposes of resale, upon which any of the services described under paragraphs (2), (3) and (7) of subdivision (c) of Section Two have been performed, (E) of any telephone answering service described in subdivision (b) of Section Two and (F) of any computer software written or otherwise created by the user if the user offers software of a similar kind for sale as such or as a component part of other property in the regular course of business.

(b) For purposes of clause (A) of subdivision (a) of this Section, for the period commencing September 1, 1992, and ending November 30,

2027, the tax shall be at the rate of four percent, and on and after December 1, 2027, the tax shall be at the rate of three percent, of the consideration given or contracted to be given for such property, or for the use of such property, including any charges for shipping or delivery as described in paragraph three of subdivision (b) of Section One, but excluding any credit for tangible personal property accepted in part payment and intended for resale.

(c) For purposes of subclause (i) of clause (B) of subdivision (a) of this section, for the period commencing September 1, 1992, and ending November 30, 2027, the tax shall be at the rate of four percent, and on and after December 1, 2027, the tax shall be at the rate of three percent, of the price at which items of the same kind of tangible personal property are offered for sale by the user, and the mere storage, keeping, retention or withdrawal from storage of tangible personal property by the person who manufactured, processed or assembled such property shall not be deemed a taxable use by him.

(d) For purposes of subclause (ii) of clause (B) of subdivision (a) of this section, for the period commencing September 1, 1992, and ending November 30, 2027, the tax shall be at the rate of four percent, and on and after December 1, 2027, the tax shall be at the rate of three percent, of the consideration given or contracted to be given for the tangible personal property manufactured, processed or assembled into the tangible personal property the use of which is subject to tax, including any charges for shipping or delivery as described in paragraph three of subdivision (b) of Section One.

(e) Notwithstanding the foregoing provision of this section, for purposes of clause (B) of subdivision (a) of this section, there shall be no tax on any portion of such price which represents the value added by the user to tangible personal property which he fabricates and installs to the specifications of an addition or capital improvement to real property, property or land, as the terms real property, property or land are defined in the real property tax law, over and above the prevailing normal purchase price prior to such fabrication of such tangible personal property which a manufacturer, producer or assembler would charge an unrelated contractor who similarly fabricated and installed such tangible personal property to the specifications of an addition or capital improvement to such real property, property or land.

(f) For purposes of clauses (C), (D) and (E) of subdivision (a) of this section, for the period commencing September 1, 1992, and ending November 30, 2027, the tax shall be at the rate of four percent, and on

and after December 1, 2027, the tax shall be at the rate of three percent, of the consideration given or contracted to be given for the service, including the consideration for any tangible personal property transferred in conjunction with the performance of the service and also including any charges for shipping and delivery of the property so transferred and of the tangible personal property upon which the service was performed as such charges are described in paragraph three of subdivision (b) of Section One.

(g) For purposes of clause (F) of subdivision (a) of this Section, for the period commencing September 1, 1992, and ending November 30, 2027, the tax shall be at the rate of four percent, and on and after December 1, 2027, the tax shall be at the rate of three percent, of the consideration given or contracted to be given for the tangible personal property which constitutes the blank medium, such as disks or tapes, used in conjunction with the software, or for the use of such property, and the mere storage, keeping, retention or withdrawal from storage of computer software described in such clause (F) by its author or other creator shall not be deemed a taxable use by such person.”

SECTION 5. Paragraph (B) of subdivision (1) of Section 11 of such Local Law No. 3 for 1967, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

(B) With respect to the additional tax of one percent imposed for the period beginning September 1, 1992, and ending November 30, 2027, in respect to the use of property used by the purchaser in this County prior to September 1, 1992.”

SECTION 6. A new subdivision (s) of section 14 of such Local Law No. 3 for 1967, as amended, is added to read as follows:

“(s) Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision of law, the County shall allocate and distribute quarterly to the cities and the area in the County outside the cities the same proportion of net collections attributable to the additional one percent rate of taxes imposed by sections two and four of this Local Law for the period commencing December 1, 2025 and ending November 30, 2027, as the County allocates and distributes the net collections from the County’s three percent rate of such taxes, as of July 20, 2025, and such portion of net collections attributable to such additional one percent rate of such taxes shall be allocated and distributed to the towns and villages in the County in the same manner as the net collections attributable to the County’s three percent rate of such taxes are allocated and distributed to such towns and villages as of July 20, 2025. In the event that any city

in the County exercises its prior right to impose tax pursuant to Section 1224 of the New York Tax Law, then the County shall not allocate and distribute net collections in accordance with the previous sentence for any period of time during which any such city tax is in effect, and the County shall instead set aside net collections attributable to such additional one percent rate of such taxes for County purposes for any such period that any such city tax is in effect.

SECTION 7. This enactment shall take effect December 1, 2025.

Referred to Law and Audit and Finance Committees – 6/9/25

Favorable Recommendation Law Committee – 7/30/25

Favorable Recommendation Audit and Finance Committee – 7/31/25

LOCAL LAW NO. "F" FOR 2025

A LOCAL LAW OF THE COUNTY OF ALBANY, NEW YORK ENACTING A MORTGAGE RECORDING TAX PURSUANT TO SECTION 253-p OF THE TAX LAW OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

Introduced: 6/9/25

By Cunningham and Reidy:

BE IT ENACTED by the County Legislature of the County of Albany, as follows:

SECTION 1. Pursuant to the provision of Section 253-p of the Tax Law of the State of New York, there is hereby imposed in the County of Albany, New York a tax of twenty-five cents for each one hundred dollars and each remaining major fraction thereof of principal debt or obligation which is or under any contingency may be secured at the date of execution thereof, or at any time thereafter, by a mortgage on real property situated within Albany County and recorded on or after October 31, 2008 and a tax of twenty-five cents on such mortgage if the principal debt or obligation which is or by any contingency may be secured by such mortgage is less than one hundred dollars.

SECTION 2. The tax imposed by this local law shall be administered and collected in the same manner as the taxes imposed under subdivision one of section two hundred fifty three and paragraph (b) of subdivision one of section two hundred fifty-five of Article 11 of the Tax Law and shall be paid as provided in Section 253-p of the Tax Law and shall be in addition to the taxes imposed by Section 253 of the Tax Law.

SECTION 3. This local law shall expire December 1, 2027, provided further, however, that such expiration shall not preclude the adoption and enactment of additional local laws by the County of Albany pursuant to the provisions of Section 253-p of the Tax Law upon the expiration of this local law or any subsequent local law adopted and enacted pursuant to the provisions thereof.

SECTION 4. Notwithstanding any provision of Article 11 of the Tax Law to the contrary, the balance of all monies paid to the recording officer of the County of Albany during each month upon account of the tax imposed pursuant to this local law, after deduction of the necessary expenses of the recording officer's office as provided in Section 262 of the Tax Law, except taxes paid upon mortgages which under the provisions of this local law or Section 260 of the Tax Law are first to be apportioned by the New York State Commissioner of Taxation and Finance, shall be paid over by such officer on or before the tenth day of each succeeding month to the Albany County Director of Finance and, after the deduction by the Director of Finance

of the necessary expenses as provided in Section 262 of the Tax Law, shall be deposited in the General Fund of the County of Albany for expenditure on County purposes. Notwithstanding the provisions of the preceding sentence, the tax so imposed and paid upon mortgages covering real property situated in two or more counties, which under the provisions of this local law or Section 260 of the Tax Law are first to be apportioned by the Commissioner of Taxation and Finance, shall be paid over by the recording officer receiving the same as provided by the determination of the Commissioner.

SECTION 5. This local law shall take effect on December 1, 2025, provided that the Clerk of this Legislature shall mail a certified copy hereof by registered or certified mail to the Commissioner of the New York State Department of Taxation and Finance at least 30 days prior to such date. The Clerk of this Legislature shall also file certified copies hereof with the County Clerk of the County of Albany, the Secretary of State of the State of New York and the State Comptroller within five days after the enactment of this local law.

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