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LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Invocation
4. Pledge of Allegiance
5. Presentation of Ceremonial Resolutions
6. Presentation of Awards
7. Meeting of the Rules Committee
8. Privilege of the Floor
9. Communications from the Chair

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

10. Call to Order of Regular Monthly Meeting
11. Roll Call
12. Approval of the Minutes
13. Reports
14. Communications
15. Reports from Standing Committees
16. Certificates and Awards
17. Ceremonial Resolutions
18. Resolution 191-22 The Committee on Rules (R87) A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN EXTENSION OF A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH BRUCE TANSKI
19. Resolution 192-22 Legislator Hughes (EDP19) A RESOLUTION REGARDING THE CONVEYANCE OF AN EASEMENT TO NIAGARA MOHAWK POWER CORPORATION AND VERIZON NEW YORK, INC.
20. Resolution 193-22 Legislator Pratt (EL4) A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A REVISED OPERATIONAL BUDGET FOR SUNY SCHENECTADY TO SERVE THE OPERATIONAL NEEDS FOR THE PERIOD SEPTEMBER 1, 2022 TO AUGUST 31, 2023

21. Resolution 194-22 Legislator Ostrelich (HHHS16) A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT MONIES FROM THE NYS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR THE CHILDHOOD LEAD POISONING PREVENTION PROGRAM
22. Resolution 195-22 Legislator Ostrelich (HHHS17) A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF A PERSON TO THE POSITION OF DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES
23. Resolution 196-22 Legislator Ostrelich (HHHS18) A RESOLUTION REGARDING THE ACCEPTANCE OF MONIES FROM THE NYS OFFICE FOR THE AGING
24. Resolution 197-22 Legislator Patierne (PFTI17) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR THE PURCHASE AND SALE OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY
25. Resolution 198-22 Legislator Gatta (TASE2) A RESOLUTION REGARDING THE DESIGNATION OF A TOURISM PROMOTION AGENCY FOR SCHENECTADY COUNTY
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27. Resolution 200-22 Legislator Fields (WM15) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXTENSION OF RETURNED SCHOOL TAXES ON THE APPLICABLE TOWN TAX ROLLS
28. Resolution 201-22 Legislator Fields (WM16) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXTENSION OF RETURNED VILLAGE TAXES ON THE APPLICABLE TOWN TAX ROLLS
29. Resolution 202-22 Legislator Fields (WM17) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH UHY LLP FOR INDEPENDENT AUDITING SERVICES
30. Adjournment



RESOLUTION 191-22

Sponsored by the Committee on Rules:

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN EXTENSION OF A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH BRUCE TANSKI

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

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the Department of Economic Development and Planning by memorandum dated October 17, 2022 advises that Bruce Tanski has a lease agreement with Schenectady County for a 1.37 acre parcel at the Schenectady County Airport; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the Department of Economic Development and Planning further advises that Mr. Tanski has built a 10,000 square foot hangar on the aforesaid parcel; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the Department of Economic Development and Planning further advises that the aforesaid lease agreement expires on March 31, 2029, and the rent is increased each year by the consumer price index or 3%, whichever is higher; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the Department of Economic Development and Planning further advises that Mr. Tanski would like to extend his lease agreement to March 31, 2039 with the same terms and conditions; and

WHEREAS, this Governing Body conducted a public hearing on December 5, 2022 pursuant to section 352 of the General Municipal Law for the purpose of hearing all interested persons on the proposed extension of a lease agreement between Schenectady County and Bruce Tanski for the aforesaid 1.37 acre site at the Schenectady County Airport; and

WHEREAS, the County Manager by memorandum dated October 28, 2022 recommends a ten-year extension of a lease agreement between Schenectady County and Bruce Tanski for a 1.37 acre parcel at the Schenectady County Airport; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Manager be and he hereby is authorized, after approval of the County Attorney as to form and content, to negotiate and to execute an extension of a lease agreement with Bruce Tanski consistent with the provisions of this Resolution.



RESOLUTION 192-22

Sponsored by Legislator Hughes:

A RESOLUTION REGARDING THE CONVEYANCE OF AN EASEMENT TO NIAGARA MOHAWK POWER CORPORATION AND VERIZON NEW YORK, INC.

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

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the Department of Economic Development and Planning by memorandum dated November 18, 2022 recommends that the County grant a utility easement to the Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation and Verizon New York, Inc. to support the construction of a new building to house a flight simulator at the Stratton Air National Guard Base in the Town of Glenville; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the Department of Economic Development and Planning advises that the easement would be granted by Schenectady County because the County owns the property that the Stratton Air National Guard Base leases; and

WHEREAS, the County Manager by memorandum dated December 2, 2022 recommends the conveyance of the aforesaid easement from Schenectady County to Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation and Verizon New York, Inc.; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Manager be and he hereby is authorized, after approval of the County Attorney as to form and content, to execute any and all documents necessary for the conveyance of the aforesaid easement by the County to Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation and Verizon New York, Inc..



RESOLUTION 193-22

Sponsored by Legislator Pratt:

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A REVISED OPERATIONAL BUDGET FOR SUNY SCHENECTADY TO SERVE THE OPERATIONAL NEEDS FOR THE PERIOD SEPTEMBER 1, 2022 TO AUGUST 31, 2023

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

WHEREAS, this Governing Body, at its August 2022 Regular Meeting, approved a fiscal year 2022-23 operating budget for SUNY Schenectady to serve the operational needs for the period September 1, 2022 to August 31, 2023; and

WHEREAS, subsequent to approving such operating budget, representatives from the State University of New York requested changes to the application of federal Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds to revenue funding in the operating budget formula of SUNY Schenectady, which resulted in a reduction of the out of county chargeback rate; and

WHEREAS, the change in the chargeback rate resulted in a reduction of projected revenues for SUNY Schenectady requiring an adjustment in the projected 2022-23 operating budget expenditures; and

WHEREAS, revisions have been made to SUNY Schenectady's operating budget for the 2022-23 fiscal year, and the SUNY Schenectady Board of Trustees have reviewed the revised budget and found it to be satisfactory and approved such revised budget on November 21, 2022; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Legislature, as the local legislative body of Schenectady County, which is the local sponsor of said Community College,

hereby approves and adopts a revised operational budget for the Board of Trustees of SUNY Schenectady in the amount of \$28,513,578.00, which includes the sponsoring community contribution from the County of Schenectady of \$2,458,955.00 to serve the operational needs of said Community College for the period commencing September 1, 2022 and ending August 31, 2023; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that this Legislature hereby authorizes and directs the Commissioner of Finance to make payment of necessary County funds to the Board of Trustees of SUNY Schenectady for the aforesaid purposes; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that this Legislature hereby requests reimbursement from the State of New York to the County of Schenectady of the State's share of the aforesaid operating costs for SUNY Schenectady for said College fiscal year pursuant to the Education Law.



RESOLUTION 194-22

Sponsored by Legislator Ostrelch:

A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT MONIES FROM THE NYS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR THE CHILDHOOD LEAD POISONING PREVENTION PROGRAM

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

WHEREAS, the Interim Public Health Director by memorandum dated November 9, 2022 advises that Schenectady County was recently awarded a multi-year grant from the NYS Department of Health to be used for services and expenses related to the prevention of childhood lead poisoning

WHEREAS, the Public Health Director further advises that Schenectady County is projected to receive \$512,300.00 in funding; and

WHEREAS, the Health Program Administrator of the Center for Environmental Health of the NYS Department of Health by letter dated February 10, 2022 advises that Schenectady County has been awarded a grant of \$512,300.00 for its childhood lead poisoning prevention program; and

WHEREAS, the Schenectady County Manager by memorandum dated December 2, 2022 recommends the acceptance of the grant from the New York State Department of Health for the prevention of childhood lead poisoning programs; and

WHEREAS, acceptance of these monies and utilization of these funds needs to be reflected in a resolution of this Legislature; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Legislature of the County of Schenectady hereby accepts the aforesaid grant monies from the NYS Department of Health, and authorizes the utilization of such monies for the aforesaid purposes; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Manager be and he hereby is authorized, after approval of the County Attorney as to form and content, to enter into any necessary agreements, certifications, or reimbursement requests for the acceptance of such grant monies from the NYS Department of Health.



RESOLUTION 195-22

Sponsored by Legislator Ostrellich:

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF A PERSON TO THE POSITION OF DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES

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

WHEREAS, the County Manager, by memorandum dated December 2, 2022 has appointed Keith Brown to the position of Director of Public Health Services; and

WHEREAS, the County Manager advises that Mr. Brown holds a Bachelor's degree from SUNY Buffalo, and a Master's degree in Public Health from SUNY Albany, and has numerous years of experience in the Public Health arena; and

WHEREAS, the County Manager recommends that the aforesaid appointment be effective on December 14, 2022; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that consistent with the provisions of section 3.01 of the Schenectady County Charter, the appointment of Keith Brown to the position of Director of Public Health Services, effective December 14, 2022, is hereby confirmed and approved.



RESOLUTION 196-22

Sponsored by Legislator Ostrellich:

A RESOLUTION REGARDING THE ACCEPTANCE OF MONIES FROM THE NYS OFFICE FOR AGING

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

WHEREAS, the Manager of the Schenectady County Department of Senior and Long-Term Care Services by memorandum dated November 4, 2022 advises that Schenectady County was recently awarded additional funds from the NYS Office for the Aging; and

WHEREAS, the Manager of the Schenectady County Department of Senior and Long-Term Care Services further advises that Schenectady County is projected to receive the following funding for the identified programs:

1. Title IIIB -- \$177,591.03
2. Title IIIC-1 -- \$208,689.00
3. Title IIIC-2 -- \$110,496.00
4. Title IIID -- \$20,295.95
5. Title IIIE -- \$202,912.12
6. Expanded in-Home Services for the Elderly Program -- \$435,081.00
7. Community Services for the Elderly Program -- \$189,789.47
8. Wellness in Nutrition -- \$260,380.00
9. Health Insurance Information, Counseling and Assistance Program -- \$33,617.00; and

WHEREAS, the Manager of the Schenectady County Department of Senior and Long-Term Care Services further advises that the aforesaid monies will be allocated to the appropriate programs; and

WHEREAS, the Schenectady County Manager by memorandum dated December 2, 2022 recommends the acceptance of the aforesaid additional grant monies from the NYS Office for the Aging; and

WHEREAS, acceptance of these monies and utilization of these funds needs to be reflected in a resolution of this Legislature; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Legislature of the County of Schenectady hereby accepts the aforesaid additional grant monies from the NYS Office for the Aging, and authorizes the utilization of such monies for the aforesaid purposes; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Manager be and he hereby is authorized, after approval of the County Attorney as to form and content, to enter into any necessary agreements, certifications, or reimbursement requests for the acceptance of such grant monies from the NYS Office for the Aging.



RESOLUTION 197-22

Sponsored by Legislator Patierne:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR THE PURCHASE AND SALE OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY

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

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the Department of Economic Development and Planning by memorandum dated December 1, 2022 recommends that Schenectady County enter into a contract for the purchase and sale of real property with Rushka Kallicharan Smith for the purchase of a parcel of real property located in the City of Schenectady (2 Shirley Drive -- S/B/L: 60.56-1-14 (0.52 of an acre)) for \$150,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the Department of Economic Development and Planning advises that the real property to be purchased will be used as additional parking for the Schenectady County Department of Motor Vehicles offices; and

WHEREAS, the County Manager by memorandum dated December 2, 2022 recommends that Schenectady County enter into a contract for the purchase and sale of real property with Rushka Kallicharan Smith for \$150,000.00 for the purchase of real property located at 2 Shirley Drive in the City of Schenectady; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Manager be and he hereby is authorized, after approval of the County Attorney as to form and content, to enter into a contract for the purchase and sale of real property for the aforesaid parcel located in the City of Schenectady for \$150,000.00, and to execute any and all documents necessary for the acceptance of the aforesaid real property by the County.



RESOLUTION 198-22

Sponsored by Legislator Gatta:

A RESOLUTION REGARDING THE DESIGNATION OF A TOURISM PROMOTION AGENCY FOR SCHENECTADY COUNTY

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

WHEREAS, this Body created the Schenectady County Tourism and Convention Bureau as the designated tourism promotion agency in the County of Schenectady; and

WHEREAS, as a recognized tourism promotion agency, the Schenectady County Tourism and Convention Bureau is authorized to make application for and receive grants for recognized advertising programs; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Schenectady County Legislature hereby authorizes the Schenectady County Tourism and Convention Bureau to submit an "I LOVE New York" matching funds grant application for the County's 2023 tourism and promotion programs; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that as Schenectady County's appointed tourism promotion agency, the Schenectady County Tourism and Convention Bureau, be and hereby is directed to notify the Schenectady County Legislature of any grant award.



RESOLUTION 199-22

Sponsored by Legislator Fields:

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE REPORT OF FORM AND FOOTING AND ADOPTING THE TAX APPORTIONMENT BASIS

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

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Finance has filed a memorandum dated November 22, 2022 outlining the need to adopt values for tax levy and tax apportionment purposes; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the report of the Ways and Means Committee relative to the form and footing of the assessment rolls of the City of Schenectady and the several towns of Schenectady County, presented to the Legislature for approval, be and hereby are approved and adopted as follows:

Assessed Values for Tax Levy Purposes

| | |
|---------------------|---------------------------------|
| Town of Duanesburg | \$ 174,212,985. |
| Town of Glenville | \$ 2,103,624,122. |
| Town of Niskayuna | \$ 2,550,708,815. |
| Town of Princetown | \$ 67,591,545. |
| Town of Rotterdam | \$ 2,420,833,967. |
| City of Schenectady | \$ 2,436,556,264. |
| TOTAL | <u>\$ 9,753,527,698.</u> |

; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the following assessed values be and hereby are approved and adopted for apportionment purposes:

Assessed Values for Apportionment Purposes

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| Town of Duanesburg | \$ 181,740,394. |
| Town of Glenville | \$ 2,180,487,233. |
| Town of Niskayuna | \$ 2,638,704,705. |
| Town of Princetown | \$ 70,595,397. |
| Town of Rotterdam | \$ 2,595,129,712. |
| City of Schenectady | \$ 2,789,497,192. |

TOTAL: **\$10,456,154,633.**



RESOLUTION 200-22

Sponsored by Legislator Fields:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXTENSION OF RETURNED SCHOOL TAXES ON THE APPLICABLE TOWN TAX ROLLS

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

WHEREAS, certain information has been filed as required by law pertaining to the extension of returned school taxes; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that pursuant to statutes applicable thereto, this County Legislature authorizes the extension of the following school taxes on the applicable rolls of the several towns of the County:

School Taxes Returned

Duanesburg:

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| Duanesburg Central | \$ 481,096.55 |
| Schalmont Central | \$ 153,951.04 |
| Schoharie Central | \$ 5,650.16 |

Glenville:

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|-----------------------------------|-----------------|
| Scotia Glenville Central | \$ 1,121,808.44 |
| Burnt Hills Ballston Lake Central | \$ 342,884.09 |
| Niskayuna Central | \$ 168,257.54 |

Niskayuna:

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|-----------------------|---------------|
| South Colonie Central | \$ 143,279.09 |
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Niskayuna Central \$ 1,139,997.94

Princeton:

Schalmont Central \$ 123,394.53
Duanesburg Central \$ 4,035.84

Rotterdam:

Schalmont Central \$ 778,282.15
Mohonasen Central \$ 987,994.16

; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Commissioner of Finance be and she hereby is authorized to adjust the aforesaid totals in order to reflect payment received on any of the aforesaid delinquent taxes and interest and penalties provided for by law.



RESOLUTION 201-22

Sponsored by Legislator Fields:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXTENSION OF RETURNED VILLAGE TAXES ON THE APPLICABLE TOWN TAX ROLLS

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

WHEREAS, certain information has been filed as required by law pertaining to the extension of returned village taxes; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that pursuant to statutes applicable thereto, this County Legislature authorizes the extension of the following villages' taxes on the applicable rolls of the several towns of the County:

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| Village of Delanson | \$ 8,063.86 |
| Village of Scotia | \$ 294,405.01 |

; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Commissioner of Finance be and she hereby is authorized to adjust the aforesaid totals in order to reflect payment received on any of the aforesaid delinquent taxes.



RESOLUTION 202-22

Sponsored by Legislator Fields:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH UHY LLP FOR INDEPENDENT AUDITING SERVICES

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

WHEREAS, the County Auditor has recommended by memorandum dated November 18, 2022 that Schenectady County enter into a contract with UHY LLP to conduct an independent audit of the County's financial statements for the years ending 2022 and 2023; and

WHEREAS, the County Auditor advises that UHY LLP would provide the following services: an examination and report of the County's general purpose financial statements, a federal single audit report, and a New York State single audit report; and

WHEREAS, the County Auditor further advises that a separate financial statement, a NYS Medicaid cost report, and a federal single audit report will be provided for the Glendale Nursing Home; and

WHEREAS, the County Auditor further advises that the total cost for the above services would be \$119,500.00; and

WHEREAS, section 6.02 of the Schenectady County Charter requires the County Legislature to designate a professional accounting firm to conduct external audits at intervals not exceeding four years; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that this County Legislature does hereby designate UHY LLP to conduct the annual external audit of the books and records for Schenectady County for calendar years ending 2022 and 2023; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Manager be and he hereby is authorized, after approval of the County Attorney as to form and content, to enter into an agreement with UHY LLP for the aforesaid services for calendar years ending 2022 and 2023.