



# Onondaga County Legislature

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## **RESOLUTION NOS. 184 - 207**

**OFFICE OF THE CLERK**

**December 17, 2024**

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### **PUBLIC HEARING:**

**12:55 p.m. – Assessment Roll for Southwood-Jamesville Water District**

**12:57 p.m. – Assessment Roll for the Warners Water District**

*Written statements were encouraged for the permanent record*

Listed below are the resolutions presented to the County Legislature at the second December Session. The meeting was held at **1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 17, 2024.**

- A. CALL TO ORDER
- B. CALLING OF ROLL MEMBERS
- C. INVOCATION – **Mr. Knapp**
- D. SALUTE TO THE FLAG – **Mr. Bush**
- E. PREVIOUS SESSION MINUTES APPROVED
- F. DESIGNATION OF DEMOCRATIC FLOOR LEADER
- G. PRESENTATION OF COMMUNICATIONS
  1. **Gold Seal:**
    - a. Recognize and Honor Andrew Branch for his Exceptional Service and Leadership as a Veteran and Owner of Branch's Driving School Inc. (Sponsored by Ms. Harvey)
    - b. Recognize and Honor the Marcellus Girls Varsity Soccer Team on Their New York State Class B Championship (Sponsored by Ms. Abbott)
  2. **Communications:**
    - a. 11.20.24 – Memo from Chairman Burtis – Re: Appointments to the Onondaga County Resource Recovery Agency (Barbara Stacer, Jennifer Wood)
    - b. 11.21.24 – Memo from Chairman Burtis – Re: Reappointments to Cornell Cooperative Extension (Debra Cody, Charles Garland)
    - c. 11.21.24 – Memo from Chairman Burtis – Re: Reappointments to the Onondaga County Soil and Water Conservation District (Mark Olson, David Knapp)
    - d. 11.21.24 – Memo from Chairman Burtis – Re: Reappointments to the Onondaga County Tobacco Asset Securitization Corporation (Colleen Gunnip, Richard McCarron)
    - e. 11.22.24 – Letter from County Executive Ryan McMahon – Re: Reappointment to the Onondaga County Resource Recovery Agency (Gregory Popps)
    - f. 12.3.24 – Memo from Jamie McNamara, Clerk – Re: Notice of Adjournment
    - g. 12.3.24 – Letter from County Executive Ryan McMahon – Re: Reappointment / Appointment to the Onondaga County Public Library Board of Trustees (Maria Mahar, Brianah Lane)
    - h. 12.4.24 – Letter from County Executive Ryan McMahon – Re: Appointments to the OCC Board of Trustees (Paul Mello, Haji Adan)
  3. **Public Comment:**
    - a. Public comment period had 8 speakers

## H. CALL OF RESPECTIVE LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS (District 12)

### **14<sup>th</sup> DISTRICT – DR. KELLY, HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES**

1. **No. 184** Amending the 2024 Onondaga County Budget to Accept Grant Funds from the New York State Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance for Onondaga County's Child Poverty Reduction Initiative Program (\$12,250,000) *(14-1 Romeo-2 Gunnip, Olson)*

### **3<sup>rd</sup> DISTRICT – MR. BURTIS**

2. **No. 185** Confirming Appointments to the Onondaga County Resource Recovery Agency (Barbara Stacer, Jennifer Wood) *(15-0-2 Gunnip, Olson)*
3. **No. 186** Confirming Reappointments to the Cornell Cooperative Extension Association of Onondaga County Board of Directors (Debra Cody, Charles Garland) *(15-0-2 Gunnip, Olson)*
4. **No. 187** Confirming Reappointments to the Onondaga County Soil and Water Conservation District Board (Mark Olson, David Knapp) *(15-0-2 Gunnip, Olson)*
5. **No. 188** Reappointing Two Directors to the Onondaga County Tobacco Asset Securitization Corporation (Colleen Gunnip, Richard McCarron) *(15-0-2 Gunnip, Olson)*
6. **No. 189** Appointing Kevin Ryan as Republican Commissioner of Elections *(15-0-2 Gunnip, Olson)*
7. **No. 190** Personnel Resolution *(15-0-2 Gunnip, Olson)*

### **4<sup>th</sup> DISTRICT – MS. GUNNIP, WAYS & MEANS**

8. **No. 191** Approving and Directing the Correction of Certain Errors on Tax Bills *(15-0-2 Gunnip, Olson)*
9. **No. 192** 2025 Town Tax Rates, Fixed, Ratified and Confirmed *(15-0-2 Gunnip, Olson)*
10. **No. 193** Southwood-Jamesville Water District Tax – General Apportionment *(15-0-2 Gunnip, Olson)*
11. **No. 194** Southwood-Jamesville Water District Tax – Town of DeWitt Apportionment *(15-0-2 Gunnip, Olson)*
12. **No. 195** Southwood-Jamesville Water District Tax – Town of Onondaga Apportionment *(15-0-2 Gunnip, Olson)*
13. **No. 196** Warners Water District Tax, General Apportionment *(15-0-2 Gunnip, Olson)*
14. **No. 197** Warners Water District Tax, Town of Camillus Apportionment *(15-0-2 Gunnip, Olson)*
15. **No. 198** Warners Water District Tax, Town of Van Buren Apportionment *(15-0-2 Gunnip, Olson)*
16. **No. 199** Authorize the County Comptroller to Transfer 2024 Unencumbered Appropriations and Appropriate Revenue After Expiration of the 2024 Fiscal Year Upon Approval of the County Executive and the Chairperson of the Ways & Means Committee *(15-0-2 Gunnip, Olson)*
17. **No. 200** Authorize the County Comptroller, Upon Approval of the Finance Department Division of Management and Budget and the County Executive's Office, to Transfer 2024 Unencumbered Appropriation Account Balances in Excess of \$7,500 into, between, and among all Interdepartmental Chargeback Appropriation Accounts and Adjust the Corresponding Interdepartmental Revenue Accounts *(15-0-2 Gunnip, Olson)*

### **5<sup>th</sup> DISTRICT – MS. CODY, COUNTY FACILITIES**

18. **No. 201** Authorizing the County Executive to Enter into a Five Year Agreement With the State of New York for Snow and Ice Control on State Highways for the 2024-2029 Seasons (\$4,717,185)  
(15-0-2 Gunnip, Olson)
19. **No. 202** Authorizing the County Executive to Amend a Five Year Agreement With the State of New York for Snow and Ice Control on State Highways for the 2024-2029 Seasons to Increase the 2024-2025 Season Estimate and Amending the 2025 County Budget Accordingly (\$831,998)  
(15-0-2 Gunnip, Olson)
20. **No. 203** Authorizing the Sale of Surplus County Property Consisting of a Portion of Kinne Street, C.R. No. 71, in the Town of Dewitt to Roger E. Salle and the Concomitant Discontinuance and Removal Thereof from the County Road System (\$6,000) (15-0-2 Gunnip, Olson)
21. PULLED
- 21a. **No. 204 WAIVER** Confirming Appointments to the Onondaga Community College Board of Trustees (Paul Mello, Haji Adan) (15-0-2 Gunnip, Olson)

### **6<sup>th</sup> DISTRICT – MS. ABBOTT, ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION**

22. **No. 205** Confirming Reappointment to the Onondaga County Resource Recovery Agency (Gregory S. Popp) (15-0-2 Gunnip, Olson)
23. **No. 206** Amending the 2024 Onondaga County Budget to Accept New York State Department of Environmental Conservation Environmental Benefit Project Funding (\$1,000,000)  
(15-0-2 Gunnip, Olson)
24. **No. 207** 2024 Transfer Resolution (\$1,000,000) (15-0-2 Gunnip, Olson)

### **LOCAL LAW**

- a. PULLED
- b. **PASSED** A Local Law Authorizing the Lease of County Property Located in the County of Onondaga to Bell Atlantic Mobile Systems LLC (*Sponsored by Ms. Abbott*) (14-0-2 Gunnip, Olson-1 Ryan)
- c. **PASSED** A Local Law Regarding Residency for Deputy and Assistant County Attorneys (*Sponsored by Ms. Gunnip*) (15-0-2 Gunnip, Olson)
- H. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
- I. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHAIR
- J. ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,



JAMIE McNAMARA, Clerk  
Onondaga County Legislature


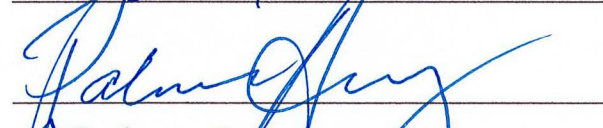
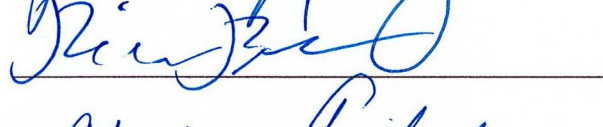
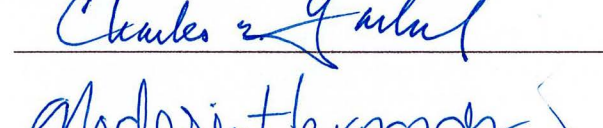
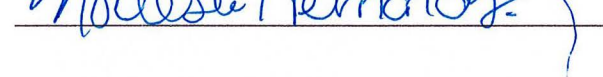
DECEMBER 17, 2024 SESSION			ROLL CALL
LEGISLATOR	PRESENT:	ABSENT:	
1. MAY	✓		<i>Chairman Burtis called the meeting to order at 1:09 p.m.</i>
2. MEAKER	✓		
4. GUNNIP	✓		
5. CODY	✓		
6. ABBOTT	✓		
7. ROMEO	✓		
8. RYAN	✓		
9. HARVEY	✓		
10. OLSON		✓	
11. McCARRON	✓		
12. KNAPP	✓		
13. BUSH	✓		
14. KELLY	✓		
15. BROWN	✓		
16. GARLAND	✓		
17. HERNANDEZ	✓		
3. BURTIS	✓		
TOTAL:	16	1	



November 19, 2024

DESIGNATION OF FLOOR LEADER – DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS

We, the undersigned, a majority of the Democratic members of the County Legislature of Onondaga County for the year 2025, do hereby designate Nodesia R. Hernandez of the 17<sup>th</sup> Legislative District to be the Floor Leader of the Democratic Caucus.

DAN ROMEO

PALMER HARVEY

MAURICE BROWN

CHARLES E. GARLAND

NODESIA R. HERNANDEZ

# LEGISLATURE CHAMBERS

## ONONDAGA COUNTY, N.Y.

Presented By: Legislator Palmer Harvey

The above-named members of the County Legislature of Onondaga County, New York, on the 17th day of December 2024, wishes to:

### **RECOGNIZE AND HONOR ANDREW BRANCH FOR HIS EXCEPTIONAL SERVICE AND LEADERSHIP AS A VETERAN AND OWNER OF BRANCH'S DRIVING SCHOOL INC.**

WHEREAS, born July 28, 1933, Andrew Branch attended Nottingham High School in Syracuse, New York, excelling in both science and track, specifically in the 100 and 220-yard dash and broad jump; and

WHEREAS, Andrew Branch was elected president of Nottingham High School's senior class in November of 1952, a rare event for a Black student at the time; and

WHEREAS, following high school graduation, married Fanny Burroughs and was drafted into the United States Army, helping serve the country in Korea; and

WHEREAS, after being stationed in Korea, Andrew Branch returned to the city of Syracuse and studied at Syracuse University under the G.I. Bill, with a focus on microbiology; and

WHEREAS, upon graduating from Syracuse University, Andrew Branch served his community as a pharmacological research technician at the SUNY Upstate Medical Center, while his wife Fanny Burroughs worked diligently teaching children at the Syracuse School District; and

WHEREAS, while still working as a pharmacological technician, Andrew Branch had three more children and taught both his mother and sister how to drive a vehicle; and

WHEREAS, Andrew Branch had the entrepreneurial spirit to start Branch's Driving School Inc., one of the first Black-owned businesses in Syracuse, with an ever-growing staff that has supported over eight hundred thousand young and old drivers to be better on the roads that surround us all; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that Legislator Palmer Harvey and all members of the Onondaga County Legislature, do hereby recognize and honor Andrew Branch for his exceptional service and leadership as a veteran and owner of Branch's Driving School Inc.

I hereby certify that the foregoing was duly noted by the County Legislature of Onondaga County, New York. Witness my hand and seal of said Legislature.



Clerk, County Legislature  
Onondaga County, N.Y.

# LEGISLATURE CHAMBERS

## ONONDAGA COUNTY, N.Y.

Presented By: Legislator Julie Abbott

The above-named member of the County Legislature of Onondaga County, New York, on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of December 2024, wishes to:

### **RECOGNIZE AND HONOR THE MARCELLUS GIRLS VARSITY SOCCER TEAM ON THEIR NEW YORK STATE CLASS B CHAMPIONSHIP**

WHEREAS, the Marcellus Girls Varsity Soccer team won the New York State Class B Championship after playing Cold Spring Harbor in the title game; and

WHEREAS, the Mustangs won that game 4-0, with Cecilia Powell and Alexis Fragnito each scoring a goal early in the first half, and Fragnito scoring two more in the second half; and

WHEREAS, winning the state championship game capped off an amazing 22-0-2 season for the team, during which the Mustangs defeated seven teams in post-season play and won sectional and regional titles in the process; and

WHEREAS, the team's roster includes 23 players, each who contributed in their own way, worked together throughout the season and was vital to the team's overall success; and

WHEREAS, this state championship marks the third state crown for Head Coach Laurie Updike, who has coached the team since 1999; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Legislator Julie Abbott, and all members of the Onondaga County Legislature, do hereby recognize and honor the Marcellus Girls Varsity Soccer Team on their New York State Class B Championship.

I hereby certify that the foregoing was duly noted by the  
County Legislature of Onondaga County, New York.  
Witness my hand and seal of said Legislature.



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Clerk, County Legislature  
Onondaga County, N.Y.



# *Onondaga County Legislature*

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November 20, 2024

TO: Julie Abbott, Chair  
Environmental Protection Committee members

FROM: Tim Burtis, Chairman

RE: Appointments to the Onondaga County Resource Recovery Agency

This is to advise that I am appointing Barbara Stacer and Jennifer Wood to the Onondaga County Resource Recovery Agency. Barbara is replacing Donald Lawless and Jennifer is replacing Ravi Raman upon their resignations. The appointments will expire on December 31, 2026 and December 31, 2027 respectively.

Each resume is attached for your review. These appointments will require confirmation of the full Legislature at its December 17, 2024, Session.

Thank you for your anticipated cooperation.

cc: Jamie McNamara, Clerk  
Legislators

## Barbara M. Stacer

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### Objective

Seeking to combine my deep knowledge of the insurance industry, underwriting processes and workflow optimization combined with emerging experience in project management and proven leadership skills in a challenging new position within your organization.

### Summary of Skills

- Excellent oral and written communication skills with strong attention to detail
- Operates effectively in a fast paced team-based environment and proven ability to multi-task and handle competing priorities effectively
- Highly motivated results-oriented individual who is always willing to take on new challenges
- Deep understanding of underwriting and policy processing processes with the technical acumen to identify opportunities for optimization and process redesign efficiencies
- Good working knowledge of project management fundamentals and business analysis

### Education

**December 2002 – December 2005**

**Morrisville State College**

**Associate Degree - Gaming & Casino Management**

- Completed courses in computer applications, accounting, finance, management and leadership and business law.

**June 2011 – May 2014**

**Keuka College**

**Bachelor's Degree in Organizational Management**

- Completed courses in finance, human resource management, strategic planning, marketing, leadership skills, organizational communication and decision making.

**August 2020**

**Certificate in Innovation Strategy**

**Cornell University**

**AU-M, AU, AINS**

**The Institutes**

### Work Experience

**December 2024-Present**

**Utica National Insurance Co. New Hartford, NY**

**VP, Director of Enterprise Business Solutions & Process**

- Lead and maintain cross functional standards, and guidelines for program management including building a rolling portfolio and road map of projects
- Establish and maintain necessary processes, solutions, measurements, reporting, and escalations to ensure successful intake, prioritization and delivery of programs and projects
- Champion best practices and ensure that the scope, business case, goals, and success metrics for transformational projects are well-defined, understood, measured, and reported
- Lead cross-organization alignment and transparency efforts, including best practices, holistic business resource planning, and aggregate prioritization for all transformation projects

- Spearhead large cross-functional projects and ensure that team members have clear understanding of importance, prioritization and expected outcomes
- Working with the business owners and PMO, assist in the development of project goals, delivery strategies, and implementation plans
- Liaise with leaders, stakeholders, and subject matter experts across the business
- Foster accountability of cross-functional team leads to resolve project issues and ensure project success
- Conduct project post-mortems and continuous improvement sessions; ensure lessons and recommendations are incorporated

**October 2022-December 2024**

**Utica National Insurance Co. New Hartford, NY**

**VP, Small Commercial Segment Owner**

- Direct Responsibility of pricing and profit for the segment and each line of business associated with the small commercial segment
- Direct Expense management for small commercial operations
- Decision on technology and how we do business with our agent customers
- Oversight on product development and changes for the segment
- Direct reporting relationship of the small commercial underwriting team including the small commercial pricing manager and business analysts
- Working with other parts of the CL segment around overall growth, expense reduction and profitability. Included would be sales strategies while working with the CL National Sales Leader
- Engagement and interactions with small commercial agents to develop better strategies on ease of doing business
- Development of bonus programs for underwriters and sales (in conjunction with CL National Sales leader) for bonus eligible positions.

**October 2021 -October 2022**

**Utica National Insurance Co. New Hartford, NY**

**VP, CL Stakeholder; Continuous Improvement Director**

- Leads the execution of initiatives strategic to the CL Business segment and provides oversight and guidance to projects of high importance
- Direct P&L accountability through implementation of operational improvements
- Provide line level leadership for CL business analysts
- Responsible for development and execution of Commercial Lines projects involving customer-facing improvements and expense reduction
- Development of the Commercial Lines technological roadmap
- Member of Utica's InsurTech Alliance board where my input, experience, and knowledge in the InsurTech industry and offerings are used to develop strategies for partnering with InsurTech vendors to find solutions that meet Utica's strategic goals and vision
- Partnering with IT, defines roadmap for implementation of process and technology in support of improving the CL Business Segment. Works closely with Information Technology and project teams as the business subject matter expert (SME) to deliver system changes in alignment with objectives to improve internal (UW) and external (agency) processes and CL bottom line
- Maintains ongoing understanding of critical industry trends; generates creative, action-oriented insights and recommendation

**September 2019-October 2021**

**Utica National Insurance Co. New Hartford, NY**

**AVP, Director of Small Commercial Underwriting**

- Responsible for a \$265 million dollar book of Small Commercial Worker's Compensation, Businessowner's, Commercial Package, Commercial Auto and Commercial Umbrella policies, including growth strategies, retention, profit/loss, product, process, and technology
- Manage a team of 40, including other leaders, underwriters, associate underwriters, and operations analysts by partnering with them on their development plan, goal creation and coaching and development to ensure success
- Developed a 3-year strategic roadmap for growing Small Commercial from a People, Product, Process and Technology perspective that now serves as the vision for the Small Commercial Division at Utica National which kicked off with a rebranding campaign of Small Commercial at Utica National in January 2020

**March 2017-Septemeber 2019**

**Utica National Insurance Co. New Hartford, NY**

**AVP, Director of Businessowner's Policies**

- Responsible for developing business plans to grow a \$60 million dollar book of BOP business by 5% year over year with a focus on organic growth
- Improved value proposition by identifying coverage gaps vs. customer needs and assisted in the development and implementation of new forms, coverages, and products
- Worked with clients such as Microsoft and McKinsey Consulting in developing new customer facing platforms, systems, and predictive models for key corporate strategies
- Develop marketing strategies and campaigns to support various initiatives I was leading

**September 2015- March 2017**

**Utica National Insurance Co. New Hartford, NY**

**Commercial Lines New Business Underwriting Supervisor**

**Responsibilities include:**

- Provided leadership for enterprise-wide New Business Small Commercial Underwriting team
- Responsible for hiring, developing, coaching, motivating, supervising, and retaining Underwriting staff
- Formalized and implemented employee training programs for new hires as well as ongoing training and development of existing staff
- Responsible for achieving direct net written premium of \$23.51 million in new business
- Played a significant role in long-term strategic plans toward departmental excellence
- Developed long-range forecasts of new submission volumes and premiums and developed and implemented departmental strategies and policies

**January 2015- September 2015**

**Utica National Insurance Co. New Hartford, NY**

**Underwriting Support Supervisor / Process Improvement Consultant – Customer Retention and Experience**

**Responsibilities include:**

- Served as a departmental leader helping drive business transformation of the Customer Retention and Experience department to realize improved customer service while reducing costs and historical inefficiencies
- Provided leadership for enterprise-wide line preparatory underwriting support tasks including new business, renewals, endorsement processing, quoting/rating/coding (both manual and automated), and document imaging and document indexing
- Monitored and maintained control over newly implemented and existing procedures/systems reporting outcomes
- Responsible for hiring, developing, motivating, supervising, and retaining Underwriting support staff ensuring the most effective resource utilization and optimal customer service
- Served as day-to-day Project Manager for the Rating and Coding Optimization Project which was designed to realize expense savings and operational efficiencies through workflow optimization, business process redesign and technology enablement over the current highly manual process
- Served as the business analyst on the Dynamic CRM Phase 1 Pilot Project assisting in various aspects of requirements gathering, process definition, project coordination and design of the Dynamic CRM call center solution

**September 2013- January 2015      Utica National Insurance Co. New Hartford, NY**

**Commercial Lines Underwriter- New Business Team**

- Review insurance policy submissions and determine appetite to underwrite
- Underwrite and price new and renewal business, and present quotes to the agent
- Maintain knowledge of the regional office strategic direction and plan, including goals and objectives to achieve profit and growth
- Plan and prioritize work activities to achieve desired results within necessary time frames
- Continuously develop and strengthen the skills required for success within my underwriting position to prepare for additional responsibility and building and leveraging personal relationships with key customers to retain existing accounts and obtain new account.

**July 2012- September 2013      Travelers Insurance Co. Syracuse, NY**

**Agency Underwriter**

- Served as a key contact for assigned agents to help support and address critical needs with underwriting, service, and agency automation questions and training
- Emphasized professional relationship building with assigned agents and addressed customer experience issues/concerns
- Responsible for normal underwriting duties for assigned agencies or territories and within a delegated letter of underwriting authority
- Completed assigned workload within quality; productivity and service standards; monitored and provided input as requested to support Sales and Product Teams monitoring of loss ratio, production figures, agency appointment activity, and agency exceptions
- Accountable for understanding and supporting emerging Personal Insurance plans and strategies

**Volunteer  
experience**

Member of the Board of Directors for Sustainability for Scholarships, Salvation Army Volunteer, Hope House (food server), Relay for Life Co-Captain, Special Olympics Volunteer, UNIG United Way Campaign Co-Chair and member of the United Way of the Mohawk Valley Cabinet.



## References

Available Upon Request

# Jennifer L. Wood

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East Syracuse, NY 13057

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## Professional Summary:

Experienced business owner, entrepreneur and rental property owner with a natural instinct to solve problems and identify areas in need of improvement. Has a high understanding of customer as well as employee needs and wants. Proven record of driving profitability as well as a creative mind to create new ways to do so. Highly capable of navigating new ventures and opportunity with no previous knowledge and with the ability to take calculated risks. Recognize opportunity to build strong employees and encourage work ethic, positivity and growth. Ability to collaborate with other business owners for the betterment of all.

## Work Experience:

*Trappers II LLC., Minoa, New York*

**Owner** April 2010 – Current

- Experience in every aspect and job involved in the operations of running a successful restaurant.
- Developed a leadership team that successfully operates and manages a restaurant while maintaining a very low level of employee turnover.
- Coordinated several construction projects to improve the look and functionality of the business.

*Goodwood Tavern., Minoa, New York*

**Owner** To open in 2025

- Complete rework of building and the residing business.
- Development of a new concept in order to attract people to the local business district in order to improve the surrounding area for all as well as my current restaurant and other property I own nearby.
- Coordinated all contractors involved.

*YMCA of Central New York.*

**Head Marathon Run Coach** February 2018 – January 2020

- Developed and implemented a marathon training program for the YMCA of Central New York while overseeing a team of coaches and training a number of athletes to reach their goals.

*Seneca Data Distributors, Inc., North Syracuse, New York*

**OEM Buyer / Distribution Buyer** May 2005 – January 2007

- Procured computer components and peripherals for customers and for the production lines in accordance with quality, pricing, and delivery.
- Maintained efficient inventory levels, issued purchase orders, and assisted in resolving invoicing discrepancies with suppliers.
- Responsible for aging inventory and to develop means to move aging inventory.

*Cintas Corporation, East Syracuse, New York*

**Sales Representative** November 2004 – May 2005

- Conducted on site visits to various businesses to determine potential prospects.
- Promoted from Sales Associate to Sales Representative as a result of my sales success.

*Turning Stone Casino, Oneida Indian Nation, Verona, New York*

**Buyer – Print/Advertising/Promotional/Textiles** May 2003 – November 2004

- Responsible for sourcing, negotiating, bidding, and procurement of all uniforms, print material and promotional products.

- Work in conjunction with the marketing department to build, purchase and implement marketing campaigns.
- Meet with potential suppliers to evaluate and compare their products. Maintain relationships with existing suppliers.

*Navisite, Inc. (NASDAQ: NAVID), formerly ClearBlue Technologies and AppliedTheory Corporation (NASDAQ: ATHY), Syracuse, New York*

**Buyer – Internal/MRO/Technical/Customer Firewall Security** September 2000–February 2003

- Work with other teams to establish true need and specifics while forecasting cost, availability, and suitability for intended purpose.
- Negotiated pricing with suppliers, maintained supplier relationships, conducted supplier evaluations, and established new supplier relationships to aid in growth and profitability.

#### **Activities:**

- **Eastwood 5 Mile Race Director** 2017-2024  
Oversaw and organized all aspects of a community event. Completed all appropriate permits as well as worked with the Syracuse police force to ensure a safe event. Grew the race monetarily as well as attendance.
- **East Syracuse-Minoa School District Education Foundation** Current Board Member  
The board raises money in order to fund grants for projects, equipment, etc that are not in the district budget. The board meets to discuss what grants qualify and will be awarded.

#### **Education:**

2001 Institute of Supply Management (C.E.H.)  
1996 – 2000 SUNY Cortland  
**Bachelor of Science – Economics and Management Science**

*References available upon request*



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November 21, 2024

TO: Dave Knapp, Chair  
Planning & Economic Development Committee Members

FROM: Tim Burtis, Chairman

RE: Reappointments to Cornell Cooperative Extension

This is to advise that I am reappointing Legislator Debra Cody and Legislator Charles Garland as our two Legislative Representatives to the Cornell Cooperative Extension Association of Onondaga County Board of Directors.

These appointments are for a one-year term to expire December 31, 2025 and will require confirmation by the full Legislature at the December 17, 2024 session.

Thank you for your anticipated cooperation.

cc: Jamie McNamara, Clerk  
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November 21, 2024

TO: Julie Abbott, Chair  
Environmental Protection Committee Members

FROM: Tim Burtis, Chairman

RE: Reappointments to the Onondaga County Soil and Water Conservation District

This is to advise that I am recommending the reappointment of Legislators Mark Olson and David Knapp to the Onondaga County Soil and Water Conservation District. These appointments are for a one-year term to expire December 31, 2025 and will require confirmation by the full Legislature at the December 17, 2024 session.

Thank you for your anticipated cooperation.

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November 21, 2024

TO: Colleen Gunnip, Chair  
Ways and Means Committee Members

FROM: Tim Burtis, Chairman

RE: Reappointments to the Onondaga County  
Tobacco Asset Securitization Corporation

This is to advise that I am recommending the reappointments of Legislator Colleen Gunnip and Legislator Richard McCarron to the Onondaga County Tobacco Asset Securitization Corporation. Both reappointments are for a one-year term which will expire on December 31, 2025.

These appointments will require confirmation of the full Legislature at its December 17, 2024 Session.

Thank you for your consideration.

cc: Jamie McNamara, Clerk  
Legislators



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*Deputy County Executive, Physical Services*

November 22, 2024

TO THE HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE ONONDAGA COUNTY LEGISLATURE:

Pursuant to Title 13B, as amended, of the New York State Public Authorities Law, I have reappointed, subject to confirmation of the County Legislature, the following individual to serve as a member of the Onondaga County Resource Recovery Agency:

APPOINTMENT:

Gregory S. Popps  
133 Skyview Terrace  
Syracuse, NY 13219

TERM EXPIRES:

December 31, 2027

Your confirmation of this reappointment would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "J. Ryan McMahon, II", is written over a light blue circular stamp.

J. Ryan McMahon, II  
County Executive

cc: Julie Abbott, Chair, Environmental Protection Committee  
Ben Yaus, Law Department  
Jamie McNamara, County Legislature

# GREGORY S. POPPS MT (ASCP), MSHS, CMR

135 Skyview Terrace, Syracuse, NY 13219  
315-679-0676 gregpopps@gmail.com

## QUALIFICATIONS SUMMARY

*"Targeting Management Opportunities in Pharmaceutical Sales."*

Proactive, innovative, and well-organized sales professional with 20 years of experience for a major pharmaceutical company including 17 years in Specialty Biologics. Regarded by supervisors, team members, and physicians as an inspirational thought leader and key resource. Track record of consistent sales success with strong medical background. Educate peers and customers by expertly communicating extensive product knowledge. Recipient of numerous awards and recognitions for sales and leadership achievements. Additional leadership experience as an officer in the United States Army Reserve and a New York State Volunteer Firefighter. Proficient in Microsoft Office and current computer presentation software (Veeva).

## SKILLS AND STRENGTHS:

Team Leader for Change Champion  
District Meeting Management  
Communication & Negotiation  
Customer Relationship Building

IT Support Team Leadership  
Key Opinion Leader & Presenter  
Market Research & Data Collection  
Competitive Market Positioning

District Coordinator  
Top Sales Performance/Closing Skills  
New Initiatives & Special Projects  
Product & Computer Training

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### NOVARTIS PHARMACEUTICALS

#### EXECUTIVE RHEUMATOLOGY SALES REPRESENTATIVE 01/2015- PRESENT

Launched Cosentyx for PSA/AS first IL-17A  
Responsible for Sales of Cosentyx in Upstate New York  
Completed Sales Management Development Program (SMDP)  
Field Area Sales Trainer (FAST)  
Member of PACE team  
President Award Winner

### PFIZER (WYETH LEGACY) PHARMACEUTICALS, Collegeville, PA, 3/01 to 1/2015

#### Rheumatology Specialty Manager (RSM/SHR), 3/05 to 01/2015

Completed management training in 2006; proactively lead district projects and develop/implement innovative solutions for sales and marketing efforts.  
Field Faculty Trainer for Inflammation Division  
Seek out opportunities within large group practices and forge relationships for enhanced access and sales.  
Collaborate with partners and plan winning strategies for sales of Xeljanz to rheumatology customers.  
As District Computer Specialist, facilitate upgrades, conduct web-ex calls, and act as a resource for others.  
Widely recognized for product, competitor, and reimbursement knowledge and excellent consultative skills.  
Educate sales team in computer skills and specialized reports to assist them in growing business.  
Cultivate and develop key opinion leaders to educate other physicians.

#### Selected Accomplishments:

During temporary appointment as Specialty District Manager, demonstrated ability to perform administrative duties.  
Completed Richmond Assessment and ECI Management Psychological Evaluation programs as part of management development.  
Presidents Award Winner, 2011 and 2002  
In 2014-2015, territory share for Xeljanz exceeded district, region, and nation averages.  
In 2009, implemented IT project for development and design of new sales reports.  
Chosen to conduct and facilitate Mid-POA meetings, and presented to nation on Express Start at 2009 POA.  
Selected to represent Wyeth BioPharma at the American College of Rheumatology Convention in 2008, 2009, 2011, 2013.  
Earned East Region Achieving Excellence Above and Beyond Award "Medicaid" 2007 and "Territory Analysis" 2006.  
Recipient of 2011, 2007 Directors Special Award for sales results and superior competitor knowledge.



**Wyeth Pharmaceuticals, Lederle Pharmaceutical Representative, 3/01 to 3/05**

Promoted sales of Protonix, Protonix I.V., Effexor XR, Altace, Zosyn I.V., Premarin Family, Flumist, and Sonata.  
Called on hospitals and institutions for sales of Protonix I.V. and Zosyn I.V.  
Developed and cultivated excellent relationships with hard-to-access offices and created selling opportunities.  
Effectively communicated strong knowledge of Wyeth products using features and benefits.  
Engaged prescribers with productive questions to uncover preferences.  
Established reputation as Go-To person in key offices with consistent follow-through on commitments.  
Actively participated in POA meetings and communications to maximize territory efficiency.  
Shared product knowledge, strategies, and sales results with team members.

**Selected Accomplishments:**

Achieved ranking of Top 10% National Sales from 2001 to 2004.  
Ranked in top 30% of Sales Force for 7 out of 8 evaluation periods with 4 out of 7 in the Top 20%.  
President's Award Nominee, 2001 - 2005; President's Award Winner 2002, 2011.  
Appointed SalesWorks and Computer Specialist for District, 2001 to 2005.  
Designated to participate in Incentive Compensation Focus Group, 2004.  
Recipient of 2004 Altace and Effexor XR Product Champion Award and 2004 Northeast Achieving Excellence Above and Beyond Award.

**INNOVEX, Parsippany, NJ, 6/99 to 3/01**

**Territory Representative, Area Field Trainer (Wyeth Contract)**

Coached, evaluated, and trained new hires.

**Selected Accomplishments:**

Achieved Top 20% of Sales Force.

**ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE**

**LABORATORY ALLIANCE OF CENTRAL NEW YORK (AT ST JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL HEALTH CENTER) and the SUNY HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER, Syracuse, NY**

Background in Clinical Pathology in part-time and full-time positions from 1997 to 1999.

**EDUCATION AND LICENSURE**

**Master of Health Science, SCHOOL OF HEALTH RELATED PROFESSIONS, Newark, NJ, 2012**

**B.S. in Medical Technology, STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER, Syracuse, NY, 1998**

**A.A.S. (Math/Science), Minor in Computer Information, ONONDAGA COMMUNITY COLLEGE, Syracuse, NY, 1995**

**Certified Medical Representative (CMR), CERTIFIED MEDICAL REPRESENTATIVE INSTITUTE, 2005**

**National Medical Technologist, ASCP, AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR CLINICAL PATHOLOGY**

New York State License, Certification Number 039324-16

**New York State Emergency Medical Services, Emergency Medical Technician (EMT)**

New York State License Number 304256

**Management Level Coursework:**

2005 to Present: Analyzing the Market, Field Sales Foundations, Developing a Sales Plan for Success, Coaching Skills, Eliminate the Time Wasters, and Coaching Top Performers.

2001 to 2005: Knowledge for Leaders, Advanced Sales Training I, II, and III, and How to Make Teams Work.

**FIREFIGHTING EXPERIENCE**

**New York State Volunteer Fireman, Firefighter, FAIRMOUNT FIRE DEPARTMENT, Fairmount, NY**

2008 Officer of the Year, 2006 Leadership Award, and 2002 Firefighter of the Year Award.

Held increasingly responsible officership positions for 8 years; managed and directed Lieutenants; trained all new and existing firemen.

Coordinate community events and county firefighter conventions.

ICS300 and ICS400 Incident Command Systems and Disaster Management certified.

**MILITARY EXPERIENCE**

**United States Army Reserve, Company D479th Engineer Battalion, Honorable Discharge E5 Sergeant, 1993**

Squad and Platoon Leader; trained soldiers at Fort Drum during Operation Desert Storm.

Awarded the Army Achievement Medal.



# *Onondaga County Legislature*

**JAMIE McNAMARA**  
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TO: All Legislators

FROM: Jamie McNamara, Clerk  
Onondaga County Legislature

DATE: December 3, 2024

RE: NOTICE OF ADJOURNMENT

Please be advised that, per the attached request, the regular session to be held on Tuesday, January 7, 2025 will be adjourned until Tuesday, February 4, 2025 at 1:00 p.m.

**Date of Session: Tuesday, February 4, 2025**

**Time: 1:00 p.m.**

**Place: Legislative Chambers  
401 Montgomery Street, Room 407  
Syracuse, New York**

The purpose of the meeting shall be to consider all resolutions presented at January committees, and any other appropriate business.

cc: media



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December 3, 2024

Jamie McNamara, Clerk  
Onondaga County Legislature  
401 Montgomery Street  
407 Court House  
Syracuse, New York 13202

We, the undersigned, pursuant to Section 1A, Rule 2A of the Rules of the Onondaga County Legislature, hereby request that the Clerk notify all members of the Legislature of the adjournment of the regular session originally scheduled on **Tuesday, January 7, 2025 at 1:00 p.m.** to **Tuesday, February 4, 2025 at 1:00 p.m.**

The purpose of the meeting shall be to consider all resolutions presented at January committees, and any other appropriate business.

This 3<sup>rd</sup> day of December 2024.

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**TIMOTHY T. BURTIS**  
Chairman

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**BRIAN F. MAY**  
Majority Leader

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**CHRISTOPHER J. RYAN**  
Minority Leader





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December 3, 2024

TO THE HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE ONONDAGA COUNTY LEGISLATURE:

Pursuant to Article XXV, Section 25.05, of the Onondaga County Administrative Code, I have reappointed / appointed, subject to confirmation of the County Legislature, the following individuals to serve as members of the Onondaga County Public Library Board of Trustees:

**REAPPOINTMENT:**

Maria Mahar  
7905 East Ridge Pointe Drive  
Fayetteville, New York 13066

**TERM EXPIRES:**

December 31, 2027

**APPOINTMENT:**

Brianah M. Lane  
220 Herald Place  
Syracuse, NY 13202

**TERM EXPIRES:**

December 31, 2027

*Ms. Lane will replace Christina Ondrako.*

Your confirmation of these appointments would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

J. Ryan McMahon, II  
County Executive

cc: Ben Yaus, Law Department  
Jamie McNamara, County Legislature  
Dawn Marmor, Library Executive Director  
Deb Cody, Chair, County Facilities Committee

## **Maria C. Mahar MA RDN CDN**

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Fayetteville, NY 13066

315-435-2362 x4698

315-447-7865 (c)

[mmahar@ongov.net](mailto:mmahar@ongov.net)

[maria.mahar@gmail.com](mailto:maria.mahar@gmail.com)

**PROGRAM & TRAINING ADMINISTRATOR** with over 40 years of diversified experience in developing, motivating and leading community leaders and department personnel to achieve program and organizational objectives.

### **SELECTED ACHIEVEMENTS**

**Organized and implemented a summer senior nutrition dining site** at CNY Regional Farmers Market –the site was not only a conduit for older persons to programs and services that helped them reduce food insecurity but increased awareness of what services the Office for Aging has to offer to improve their quality of life.

**Testified to the New York Food Policy Council on the behalf of the New York State Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics (NYSAND)** to introduce opportunities for NYSAND and the Council of Food Policy to collaborate on how NYSAND can be a resource in assisting New York State in developing food policy that will ensure safe, fresh, nutritious and affordable food for all New Yorkers, especially to low income residents, senior citizens and children; and how to modify state agriculture policy that will promote increase sales of New York agricultural products to New York customers.

**Organized community leaders in Onondaga County to create the *Farm Fresh Mobile Market*** to deliver locally grown fruits and vegetables (from area farmers) to low income, minority neighborhoods located in food deserts.

**Collaborated with The Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs of Syracuse University** by working with Maxwell geographers to bring a geographic understanding to questions of poverty and malnutrition in the city of Syracuse, NY. The information was used to conduct a food-stamps enrollment drive in neighborhoods where the maps showed such needs to be especially high and to raise awareness to hunger in the local community.

**Restructured the delivery of nutrition/wellness services for hospital-discharged seniors** through the Administration on Aging demonstration grant *Community Connections: Moving Seniors toward Wellness Grant*.

**Mentored Cornell and Syracuse University dietetic interns** at the Department of Adult & Long Term Care Center, students are taught how to develop community nutrition education programs for older adults; and actively participate in advocacy events and community partnerships that raised awareness regarding hunger and food insecurity among older adults.

**Partnered with the Caregivers Resource Program and Caregivers Institute** to provide an innovated series of cooking classes, titled *Men Can Cook!* The classes were designed for widowers and men providing home care for their spouses and/or significant others. The program was featured in the New York State Office for the Aging, 2008 Best Practices directory. Also taught classes titled *Cooking with Diabetics, Men Can Grill, and Healthy Eating for Successful Living for Older Adults*.

**Partnered with Vietnamese Community Elders** – successfully created the Vietnamese Community Center for elders. The center provides senior services funded by the Older Americans Act. The center originally served 25; the center now serves 50 seniors.

### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:**

Onondaga County Department of Adult & Long Term Care Services, Syracuse, NY

#### **Project Director, Senior Nutrition Services /PeerPlace™ Administrator -2012- Present**

Directs and supervises the senior nutrition program in Onondaga County, budget 1.6 million. Supervise the nutrition case assessments of the home delivered clients. Organize and coordinates the financial and program data. Supervise subcontracting agencies to ensure that work performed is in accordance with the Older Americans Act, Federal, State and County regulations. Preceptor for Cornell, Iowa University, University of Houston, SUNY Oneonta, and Syracuse University dietetic interns.

Onondaga County Department of Aging & Youth, Syracuse, NY

#### **Nutrition Services Coordinator/PeerPlace™ and IT Administrator - 1998-2012**

Implemented evidence-based health promotion classes for the Native American, African American and Latino communities. Administered programs such as the *Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program, Farm Fresh Mobile Market, Stroke Awareness Campaign* and *Emergency Preparedness Program for Older Adults*. Conducted annual

evaluations and audits for congregate nutrition sites and meals on wheels agencies. Managed the federal registration software program that collects demographic data used to develop and maintain home-based services for seniors.

Marriott @ University Medical Hospital, Syracuse, NY

**Director of Patient Food Services/District Safety Coordinator – 1987-1998**

Managed the daily operations for a variety of food service systems in a 350-bed teaching facility. Trained and managed 60 full-time support personnel. Managed all aspects of service for 250,000 patient meals annually. Coordinated the safety program for five district area health care facilities. Developed and implemented the quality control program activities for the food service department.

Hill Associates, Syracuse, NY

**Customer Application Support Specialist– 1986-1987**

Provided menu and recipe nutrition analysis support for 20 magazines (i.e. Food and Wine, Good Housekeeping and Sunset Magazines) and health care organizations.

Interstate United @ University Hospital, Syracuse, NY

**Human Resource Director – 1983-1986**

Recruited and trained food service associates, administered payroll for salaried and hourly associates. Mediated labor contract disputes.

**EDUCATION & CERTIFICATION**

State University of Oneonta, Oneonta, NY -BS in Dietetics 1980

Certified Dietitian-Nutritionist by State of New York since 2000

Registered by the Commission on Dietetic Registration since 2003

Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY -MA in Nutrition Science 2006

Graduate of the American Dietetic Association Leadership Institute 2007

Certificate of Training in Adult Weight Management 2016

ServSafe Certified 2019

**VOLUNTEER/BOARD EXPERIENCE:**

- Syracuse University Falk College of Sport and Human Dynamics – Member of the Professional Advisory Board for Dietetic Internships 2002-present
- Central New York Dietetic Association - National Nutrition Month Chair, 2003, 2004
- Central New York Dietetic Association - President, 2006, 2019-2020
- Central New York Dietetic Association - Public Policy Coordinator 2009-2010, 2010-2011
- New York State Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics - Secretary, 2007-2009
- New York State Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics -Annual Meeting Chair, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014
- New York State Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics - House of Delegate (representing Academy members in the Central New York and Mohawk Districts) 2009-2010
- New York State Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics - President-Elect -2010-2011, President -2011-2012, Past President 2012-2013
- Healthy Aging Dietetic Practice Group - Communications Director, 2009-2011
- County Legislative appointee to the Board of the Central New York Regional Market Authority 2009- present
- National Association of Nutrition and Aging Service Programs – Executive board member 2010- 2019
- National Diabetes Education Program – Taskforce partner 2010-2019
- Committee member of National Resource Center on Nutrition and Aging Modernization Workgroup -2013
- Speaker –Academy of Dietetics and Nutrition Public Policy Workshop in Washington DC 2012, 2013, 2014
- Co-Speaker –“*Lowering the sodium content in congregate and home delivered meals*” for the Administration on Aging in Washington DC 2014
- Healthy Aging Dietetic Practice Group – Chair Elect 2013-2014, Chair 2014-2015, Past Chair 2015-2016
- Chair of the Syracuse Care Transition Coalition Nutrition Sub-Committee – 2017 – 2019

**HONORS**

- Go With The Grain Gold Award Winner, General Mills Bell Institute of Health and Nutrition 2003
- Emerging Dietetic Leader Award winner, New York State Dietetic Association -2010
- IPRO Quality Award winner, Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services Coordination of Care -2019
- Distinguished Dietitian/Nutritionist Award winner, New York State Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics -2020

# Brianah M. Lane, CPA

(315) 532-9735 • blane@gsacpas.com

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## EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATIONS

**New York State Board of Education, Albany, NY**  
*Certified Public Accountant (CPA)*

01/2022

**State University of New York College at Oswego, Oswego, NY**  
*Master of Business Administration, Public Accounting*  
*Bachelor of Science in Accounting*

05/2020

05/2019

## WORK EXPERIENCE

**Grossman St Amour CPAs, PLLC, Syracuse NY**

*Audit Supervisor*

09/2023 - Present

*Audit Staff*

07/2020 - 08/2023

*Accounting Intern*

06/2019 - 06/2020

- Strengthen proficiency in QuickBooks, ProSystems and Microsoft Office
- Supervise financial statement audits and reviews for clients including not-for-profits, low income housing and governmental entities
- Provide on the job training for staff at all levels
- Assess accounting systems, risk factors, and key control activities to ensure compliance with legal and regulatory requirements in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles and Government Auditing Standards
- Perform analytical procedures, engagement planning, testing, and reporting of transactions; document and maintain sufficient supporting information and cross-reference work papers
- Analyze trial balance, general ledger, cash accounts, check payments, purchases, expenses, and invoices; proposed adjusting journal entries to the client when applicable.
- Analyze accounting records, documentation, and other relevant information through transaction testing to ensure compliance with accounting principles, operating procedures, laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements.
- Responsible for preparation and review of audit workpapers, financial statements and disclosures, adjusted trial balance, and required reports
- Maintain positive communication and interaction with clients, client governing bodies, co-workers, supervisors, and management throughout the audit process.

**Paul's Big M, Oswego, New York**

*Administrative Office, Customer Service, Head Cashier*

01/2014 - 06/2020

- Provide training and supervision of cashiers
- Maintain and organize the schedule of staff hours and assignment of responsibilities
- Uphold the company's procedures and policies while making managerial decisions and monitoring employee moral
- Prepare daily cash reconciliations and balance cash drawer inventory upon opening and closing of the store
- Resolve customer complaints, offer worthwhile assistance to customers and provide quick, friendly service
- Cashed checks and assisted customers in lottery purchases, Western Union transactions, and returns
- Prepare reports for management review
- Collaborated with co-workers to unload weekly product deliveries
- Operated power equipment to stock inventory with cross-departmental colleagues

## ORGANIZATIONS / ACHEIVMENTS

**Graduate Assistant, School of Business, SUNY Oswego**

**Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Coordinator, Accounting Society, SUNY Oswego**

**Beta Alpha Psi Member, SUNY Oswego**



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Brian J. Donnelly  
Deputy County Executive

Mary Beth Primo  
Deputy County Executive, Physical Services

December 4, 2024

TO THE HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE ONONDAGA COUNTY LEGISLATURE:  
Pursuant to Article XXIV, Section 24.01, of the Onondaga County Administrative Code, and Article XIX, Section 1903, of the Onondaga County Charter, I have appointed, subject to confirmation of the County Legislature, the following individuals to serve as members of the OCC Board of Trustees:

**APPOINTMENT:**

Paul Mello  
4874 Breckenridge Run  
Syracuse, NY 13215

**TERM EXPIRES:**

June 30, 2025

Mr. Mello will be replacing Ms. Serway


Haji A. Adan  
610 North Ave.  
Syracuse, NY 13206

June 30, 2031

Mr. Adan will be replacing Ms. Melanie Littlejohn

Your confirmation of these appointments would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

  
J. Ryan McMahon, II  
County Executive

cc: Deb Cody, Chair, County Facilities Committee  
Ben Yaus., Law Department  
Jamie McNamara, County Legislature  
Dr. Warren Hilton, President, OCC  
Sue Tormey, OCC





PO Box 19050  
Syracuse, NY 13209-4050

**PAUL P. MELLO, CPA**  
President and CEO

Paul P. Mello, CPA, is the president and CEO of Solvay Bank which is the oldest independent commercial bank headquartered and operating in Onondaga County, New York. Mr. Mello was appointed to the position in 2002. Prior to his appointment, he held the position of executive vice president and chief financial officer. He also launched the Bank's insurance subsidiary, Solvay Bank Insurance Agency, Inc., and began the Bank's Brokerage Advisory Services. Under his leadership, the Bank has expanded its footprint with new branch openings, new lines of business and internet banking technologies.

Before joining the Bank, Mr. Mello worked for Coopers & Lybrand in Syracuse from 1989 to 1993.

In March of 2012, Mr. Mello was elected to the Federal Reserve Board of New York as a Class A Director. He is serving in his third, three-year term. He is also a member of the Audit and Risk Committee and is chair of the Management and Budget Committee. Mr. Mello served as a member of the Community Depository Institutions Advisory Council of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York in 2011.

Mr. Mello also served as the chair of the Independent Bankers Association of New York State for 2010-2012 and has served on the Board since 2002. Currently, he is the vice chair of the Upstate Medical University Foundation after serving as chair for six years. He has been on the Board for 16 years. Mr. Mello also serves on the board of directors for the St. Camillus Health & Rehabilitation Center and is a member of the Executive Committee. He also chairs the Strategic Planning Committee. He has served St. Camillus for 17 years. He previously served on the board of The Eraser Company, Inc., and the Le Moyne College Board of Regents and Accounting Advisory committee.

Mr. Mello is a member of both the American Institute of Certified Public Accounts, as well as the New York State Society of Certified Public Accountants.

Mr. Mello earned a bachelor's degree in accounting from Le Moyne College in 1989 and is a Certified Public Accountant since 1991.

Mr. Mello has been recognized for his contributions to the community with the 2001 Syracuse 40 under 40; Le Moyne College Ignatian Award for Professional Achievement; 2011 Crusader for a Cure Award; and the 2012 Syracuse Chief's Bullpen Chief Award.

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**Haji A. Adan**

610 North Ave, Syracuse, NY 13206

Phone: 315-278-8463 | Email: haji@refugeeandimmigrant.org

**Summary of Qualifications**

Accomplished non-profit executive with 10+ years of experience leading diverse teams and overseeing large-scale programs for refugee and immigrant support services. Proven track record of strategic planning, program development, and stakeholder engagement, with expertise in grant writing, compliance, and community outreach. Multilingual and culturally responsive leader dedicated to advancing organizational goals and fostering inclusive communities.

**Education**

**Bachelor's degree in business administration (Expected Dec 2024)**

*Southern New Hampshire University*

**Executive Certificate in Non-Profit Management (2024)**

*Georgetown University*

**associate degree in general studies/liberal arts (2012)**

***Onondaga Community College, GED (2008)***

**Professional Experience**

**Executive Director**

**Refugee & Immigrant Self-Empowerment Inc. (RISE), Syracuse, NY**

***June 2013 – Present***

Lead a team of 50+ employees and manage an annual budget exceeding \$5 million, overseeing all program operations to support the empowerment of over 800 families annually.

Partner with the board to develop strategic plans, ensuring alignment with organizational goals and long-term vision.

Represent the organization at high-level engagements, strengthening community and stakeholder relationships.

Oversee compliance with regulatory and legal standards and drive continuous improvement across programs.

Spearheaded successful grant writing efforts, securing funding through federal, state, and local sources to expand RISE services.

- Enhanced financial oversight by working closely with the Finance Committee to prepare and monitor budgets, ensuring fiscal responsibility.

### **Nationality Worker**

**Syracuse City School District, Syracuse, NY**

**2011 – April 2014**

- Acted as a liaison between newly arrived refugee families and school staff, enhancing communication and understanding.
- Trained educators on cultural sensitivities and provided interpreting services to bridge language barriers for parents.

### **Volunteer Literacy Program Coordinator**

**Somali Bantu Community Association, Syracuse, NY**

**2009 – Nov 2012**

- Directed literacy initiatives integrating adult education, parenting support, and early childhood education for refugee families.
- Built partnerships with local universities to expand educational support and community resources.

### **Additional Experience**

- Court and Medical Interpreter, Office System of Connecticut Inc., 2007 – 2000
- Pharmacy Technician, International Rescue Committee, Kakuma, Kenya, 2003 – 2006
- Teacher, International Rescue Committee, Kakuma, Kenya, 2003 – 2006

### **Certifications & Training**

- Leadership Greater Syracuse (2021)
- BIA Training – New York Immigration Coalition (2019)
- Nourishing Tomorrow's Leaders – Gifford Foundation Board Development (2016)

### **Awards & Honors**

- YWCA Academy of Diversity Achievers (2015)
- Grassroots Leader of the Year – Central New York Community Foundation (2012)
- Annette Briggs Memorial Award – Vera House (2019)

### **Professional Memberships**

- New York State Hate & Bias Prevention Regional Council (2023 – Present)
- Somali Advocacy for Justice & Equality Movement (2019 – Present, Advisor)
- Onondaga County Youth Board (2019 – Present)

**Related Skills**

- Languages: English, Somali, Maay Maay, working knowledge of Swahili
- Technical Skills: Proficient in Microsoft Office Suite and grant management software
- Key Competencies: Strategic planning, budget management, cross-cultural communication, and program evaluation

***December 17, 2024 Session***  
***Public Comment Period - Limited to 30 minutes***

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Onondaga County Aquarium-Low Range		Onondaga County Aquarium- Attendance Mid-Range		Onondaga County Aquarium-Attendance High Range	
Annual Attendance	400,000	Annual Attendance	490,000	Annual Attendance	570,000
Total Revenue	\$ 10,063,000	Total Revenue	\$ 12,006,000	Total Earned Revenue	\$ 13,718,000
Operating Expenses	\$ 10,168,000	Operating Expenses	\$ 11,271,000	Operating Expenses	\$ 12,344,000
Net Operating Income	\$ (105,000)	Net Operating Income	\$ 735,000	Net Operating Income	\$ 1,374,000
Economic Impact to Onondaga County	\$ 44,524,000	Economic Impact to Onondaga County	\$ 51,917,000	Economic Impact to Onondaga County	\$ 59,063,000
Tax Revenue	\$ 650,000	Tax Revenue	\$ 795,000	Tax Revenue	\$ 934,000
Salaries & Wages	\$ 13,877,000	Salaries & Wages	\$ 15,994,000	Salaries & Wages	\$ 17,979,000
Permanent Jobs(Direct & Indirect)	361	Permanent Jobs(Direct & Indirect)	423	Permanent Jobs(Direct & Indirect)	478
Jobs during Construction Period	274	Jobs duringConstruction Period	274	Jobs during Construction Period	274

#### Reserve Fund Build-Up Plan

##### **Oneida Exclusivity Gaming Payments**

The county will commit a portion of the Oneida exclusivity gaming payments to support the Reserve Fund. These payments are currently dedicated to pay he debt service to the amphitheater. Those payments have exceeded the annual amp debt service since 2016 and resulted in a reserve of \$5M. We anticipate it will continue and the plan is for 75% of the excess to be put into the aquarium reserve fund.

##### **Aquarium Naming Rights**

One more source of funds for the aquarium will be from the sale of the aquarium's naming rights. Based on the greater visibility and the projected attendance numbers, we anticipate a conservative estimate of \$250,000- \$500,000 per year. It is the county's intention to dedicate annually 25% of these funds to the facility's reserve account with the balance targeted for support of attendance and educational programing at the aquarium for all county K-8 students.

##### **Aquarium Reserve Fund**

Economic impacts of the aquarium will include incresed attendee spending in the community which will result in additional county sales tax well in excess of \$250,000 per year. The county will set aside and commit \$250,000 from sales tax revenue on an annual basis to support the aquarium maintenance, capital improvements and if necessary, operational expenses.

Robert Sarason

Replacement

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November 3, 2014

Motion Made By Mr. McMahon, Mr. May

RESOLUTION NO. 171

DECLARING THE INTENT THAT SALES TAX REVENUES AND ONEIDA SETTLEMENT FUNDS IN EXCESS OF THOSE THAT ARE NECESSARY FOR THE ANNUAL DEBT SERVICE BE COMMITTED ANNUALLY FOR FUNDING A DEBT SERVICE RESERVE FOR THE LAKEVIEW AMPHITHEATER PROJECT

WHEREAS, Onondaga County is conducting a series of community revitalization projects for the western shore of Onondaga Lake (known also as the "Western Onondaga Lake Revitalization Effort"), and the Lakeview Amphitheater is being constructed as part of such effort, and, by resolution adopted on November 3, 2014, the County authorized the issuance of bonds to pay for costs associated with constructing the Lakeview Amphitheater; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the recently passed Upstate New York Gaming and Development Act (Ch. 174, L. 2013) New York State will receive settlement payments from the Oneida Nation, and a portion of such settlement payments will be distributed to the several counties within the exclusivity zone pursuant to State Finance Law Section 99-h, and it is the intent that Onondaga County's share of these annual payments will be used to service the debt on the Lakeview Amphitheater beginning within the 2016 County Budget; and

WHEREAS, the amphitheater will generate new consumer spending by concert audiences both at the site of the Lakeview Amphitheater and at restaurants, hotels, motels, retail stores, and other businesses elsewhere in Onondaga County; and

WHEREAS, the economic contribution of such audience spending is expected to include the retention by Onondaga County of additional sales tax revenues in excess of \$150,000 per year; and

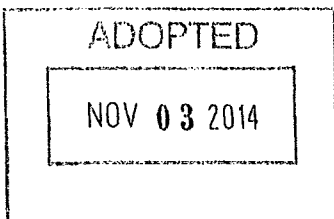
WHEREAS, to further reduce any risk that property taxes on the County's residents would at any time be needed to support debt service on the bonds issued for construction of the Lakeview Amphitheater, it is necessary to establish a policy whereby a portion of such additional sales tax revenues, as well as funds from the annual Oneida settlement payments received that exceed the amount necessary to service the debt on the Amphitheater, are set aside each year and reserved for the payment of principal and interest on such bonds, if needed; and

WHEREAS, Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) provide for the County to take formal action by committing funds for a specific purpose, which commitment is binding unless removed in the same manner in which it is imposed; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that Onondaga County hereby declares its intent to set aside and commit \$150,000 from sales tax revenues on an annual basis for the purpose of establishing a reserve to be drawn upon only for debt service on Lakeview Amphitheater bonds, which amount will be in addition to any amounts from the Oneida settlement payments that exceed the amount necessary to service the debt on the Amphitheater bonds, and which will also be set aside, and that any legislation needed to establish and carry out such commitment will be considered within the County's annual budget process; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that such annual commitment will first occur after the completion of the first full season of events held in the amphitheater and will be discontinued after all debt on the Lakeview Amphitheater has been retired.

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING IS A TRUE AND  
EXACT COPY OF LEGISLATION DULY ADOPTED BY THE  
COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF ONONDAGA COUNTY ON THE  
3<sup>rd</sup> DAY OF November, 2014.

*Deborah A. Matuso*

CLERK, COUNTY LEGISLATURE  
ONONDAGA COUNTY, NEW YORK

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LEGISLATURE



My name is Mary Handley, Peck hill road, Jamesville.

I have lived in Onondaga county for 30 years, I love the area, the parks and all the it has to offer.

I have always followed the county and it decisions and always voted.

I have never come to a meeting or spoken publicly but I really can't sit by and watch this happen to my county, the place where I live, work and recreate.

I did not agree with spending the taxpayers money, \$85 million on a aquarium especially with the vote being 9-8 which tells me that ½ the county does not want this use of funding.

And now, with this increase , when the county executive promised us no increase, just seems like – enough is enough.

We have the highest poverty rate in the country, we have one of the highest mortality rates for infants, we have a high domestic violence rate but we are building an aquarium?

It seems almost immoral to me to spend this kind of money on a recreation/education activity that our most needy people in Onondaga county would never use.

I was hear when Destiny was being build and the promises of revenue to the city and county. That never happened the way we were promised and now, it is a dying mall with violence and crime on the rise. People from this county will not even go to the mal anymore.

What is my point? My point is that we are bring told the same thing about the Aquarium and there is no sustainability. I tried to find a real plan for sustainability, in 10 years, how will it be paid for? There really is little information about that.

Some other ideas for 85 million – put 20 million into Tiny Homes for vets all over the county Lafayette, Jamesville, Camillus, Clay, where families live and would want their son or daughter or brother or sister living in their vicinity. You did a pilot project and were able to house Vets sustainable projec and it is a sustainable project.

Take 5 million and do a thorough study of poverty – not one through the county or state where people are aligned to political parties. Do a real one with an outside source who can dig deep and make real recommendations.

Take 10 million and make a beautiful park off of 481. Soon, many people will be passing through our county on 481 and a beautiful park off of Northern boulevard would serve everyone well in our county.

Please do not vote party lines. Vote for your constituents, the people who count on you to do the right thing.

## Public comment

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**From** robert Webber <bwebber167@gmail.com>

**Date** Mon 12/16/2024 7:38 PM

**To** Office of the Onondaga County Legislature <onondagacountylegislature@ongov.net>

**Cc** Me abookman@aol.com <abookman@aol.com>

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Please vote no on the additional 11 million dollar requested for the aquarium.

There are many other higher priorities needed in Onondaga county.

Bob Webber  
167 Brookside lane Fayetteville  
Office, Cell, Text

**315.345.5031**

bwebber167@gmail.com

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**Public comment**

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**From** ed roulston <calhob29@yahoo.com>

**Date** Mon 12/16/2024 10:23 PM

**To** Office of the Onondaga County Legislature <onondagacountylegislature@ongov.net>

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I am writing to urge the legislators to vote against any funding for the proposed Aquarium project. This is a misappropriation of our money and will not be a significant benefit to the community. It will however, be a substantial windfall for a few well connected developers via their favorite politicians. We elected you to serve the publics interests, and this is clearly not doing it. Syracuse is a city with problems, we need real solutions and smart investment, not some dog and pony show. Camden NJ tried an aquarium 30 yrs ago...has it transformed Camden? As someone about to retire, I can tell you that soon you'll realize you had a short window to improve the world...and those chances dont come back. We're all depending on you legislators, make the decisions you can one day look back on and be proud of... this one isnt it. Remember, just because you can doesn't mean you should.

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## No money for the Aquarium

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**From** Stephen Weiter <sweiter302@gmail.com>

**Date** Tue 12/17/2024 6:27 AM

**To** Office of the Onondaga County Legislature <onondagacountylegislature@ongov.net>

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As a citizen of Onondaga County residing in Manlius, NY I encourage you not to approve any more money for the aquarium project. This waste of the taxpayers' dollars should never have gotten off the ground and deserves no additional funding - even in the form of loans which we will never see repaid.

I urge you to vote against amending the County Budget for this purpose. Your vote will be remembered come the next election.

Sincerely,

Stephen P. Weiter  
Manlius, NY

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## AQUARIUM FUNDING

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**From** Donna Wassall <d.wassall427@gmail.com>

**Date** Tue 12/17/2024 7:54 AM

**To** Office of the Onondaga County Legislature <onondagacountylegislature@ongov.net>

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Dear Onondaga County Legislature,

Every day I read the local news and find something to either sadden or irritate me. The same is true this morning, with the exception that I'm so saddened, and so irritated that I'm compelled to write to the Onondaga County Legislature.

Today's headline is about the County Executive requesting the fronting of \$11 million dollars for the aquarium project. This headline comes four days after the news of December 13, 2024 indicating that Syracuse has the "worst child poverty rate", not in New York, but in the nation. The worst child poverty rate in the nation, and we of this county are spending millions of dollars on an aquarium. A home for aquatic life. Please. PLEASE!

I know the members of our legislature are intelligent, hard working and compassionate individuals, so it cannot be that this makes sense to you all. I'm just a retired public servant, resident of Pompey, mother and grandmother, and it makes absolute NO sense to me. It makes me sick and ashamed of our elected officials that would even consider this venture.

PLEASE, the taxpayers and residents of Onondaga County deserve a better use of their tax dollars. The "build it, they will come" reasoning is not acceptable. Destiny USA is evidence of that. It's dying and is not a destination for anyone. Really, will a tourist attraction such as an aquarium draw the masses to a city that boasts "the nation's worst child poverty rate." Maybe the children of Syracuse will enjoy it... wait, never mind.

Respectfully yours,

Donna Wassall  
8045 Wise Road  
Manlius, NY 13104

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## Aquarium comment

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**From** Jim B. Johnson <jim.b.johnson.9@gmail.com>

**Date** Tue 12/17/2024 8:02 AM

**To** Office of the Onondaga County Legislature <OnondagaCountyLegislature@ongov.net>

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I would like the County legislature to vote against the taxpayer-funded loan for aquarium cost overruns.

I could live anywhere, but I choose to live in Syracuse and I do not intend to leave. I would like this one-time infusion of money to be spent on increasing housing, improving infrastructure, and poverty remediation. I have the ability to choose to live here, but I worry that my children will not. And where my children go, I go.

It's clear that public sentiment is not behind this aquarium and it is not going to be the driver of growth that we had once hoped for. Please don't chase bad money with good money. As the kids say, just take the L and move on with an actual investment plan to improve our city, county, and region for its current and future residents.

Jim B. Johnson

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**Public Comment 12/17**

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**From** Aileen Gallagher <aegallagher@gmail.com>

**Date** Tue 12/17/2024 8:11 AM

**To** Office of the Onondaga County Legislature <OnondagaCountyLegislature@ongov.net>

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Dear Legislators,

Vote NO on any additional funding for the aquarium. This is your chance to right a previous wrong and put that money to much needed use in our county.

There is no public enthusiasm for this aquarium beyond the outsized voice (and control) of Ryan McMahon. Micron is coming with or without it. Do what's right by the people already here.

Vote NO!

Aileen Gallagher  
321 Kensington Rd.  
Syracuse, NY 13210

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**Public Comment 12/17**

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**From** Luke Kaplan <lucas.m.kaplan@gmail.com>

**Date** Tue 12/17/2024 8:36 AM

**To** Office of the Onondaga County Legislature <OnondagaCountyLegislature@ongov.net>

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Lucas Kaplan, 504 Fellows Ave, Syracuse, NY

To the legislature,

As a taxpayer, I find the aquarium to be a waste of public funds. In a city with high levels of childhood poverty, an investment in a pet project that is unlikely-to-succeed looks bad at best, and is negligent at worst.

As an economist, this seems an impractical way to maximize the economic potential of the city.

Syracuse has the potential to be a dynamic, prosperous place. I can think of a wide array of ways to do this -- investing in human capital through training programs, investing in small businesses, investing in public infrastructure and parks. Given that forecasts way over estimate likely demand, the aquarium is not the way to do this. I urge the county legislature to vote against offering the loan.

Lucas Kaplan



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**Public comment**

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**From** Greg <gregorychaphe@yahoo.com>

**Date** Tue 12/17/2024 8:51 AM

**To** Office of the Onondaga County Legislature <OnondagaCountyLegislature@ongov.net>

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Please support the aquarium. Myself, my children and grandchildren will attend multiple times all year round by land and by water . My family and friends love to (as a local staycation) stay at the Embassy swim at pool ,amuse ourselves at Destiny . Walk around the inner harbor and even a concert . The Aquarium would be a wonderful addition. Please don't underestimate the popularity from boaters too.

Onondaga County resident

Gregory Chaphe

## Aquarium

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**From** Deborah Leubner <deborahleubner@yahoo.com>

**Date** Tue 12/17/2024 8:53 AM

**To** Office of the Onondaga County Legislature <onondagacountylegislature@ongov.net>

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Do not pass legislation for one more dollar for this project. It is a waste of tax payer dollars. The money could be better spent.

Sincerely,  
Deborah Leubner

Sent from my iPad

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**Public comment 12/17**

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**From** NATALIE WALTERS <natas@msn.com>

**Date** Tue 12/17/2024 8:56 AM

**To** Office of the Onondaga County Legislature <OnondagaCountyLegislature@ongov.net>

**NOTICE:** This email originated from outside of Onondaga County's email system. **Use caution** with links and attachments.

Dear Sirs and Madams:

Please consider this email as a sweeping note of disapproval for the pending request before you to fund the Aquarium project \$11 million dollars. As a life long constituent of our county and a public educator, this project is a gross ego driven perspective that would do nothing more than divide our community beyond its current status. Please allow me to explain.

I work as a Restorative Practice Specialist in the North Syracuse School district. My role provides me a great opportunity to not only work with students but their families. Before this role I was a school leader, a family engagement specialist and a music teacher. Relationships have been at the focal point of my career.

I have watched the divide between the haves and the have nots in our community increase within the past 20 years. I have families in my school radius in desperate need for either more attention to the code enforcement w their homes they are renting, or in need of affordable housing that can accommodate an expanded family unit.

As a daughter of a dementia parent, I have also witnessed the need for quality programming and supports for so many in our community to provide our elderly with swift and accessible care.

As that teacher I mentioned , our child protective agency is incredibly necessary, yet at a recent meeting with the county commissioner she shared that 60% of her work force is new to the role. When asked why that was, it was clear the current staff is over worked and greatly under paid.

Finally, as I drive to my school every day, Mattydale has not only turned into a food and retail desert in what was a thriving suburban neighborhood to the city, but the need for our public transportation to offer a safe pickup along Route 11 can be witnessed daily. Three stops hug this busy thoroughfare and on inclement days I cringe at the sight of people huddled on a road where no side walk exists.

Our community deserves a dignified debate and hearing to this matter, one that can be attended by those of us who advocate for a brighter opportunity for all. Likewise, I truly believe that if the Legislature put this to a public vote, it would not pass and would be soundly defeated. We need better for our community and an Aquarium will not enrich the lives of the people divided economically within

our county. Imagine what all of this investment COULD do if designated for the various concerns I brought forth!

I hope that I might have an opportunity to discuss my feelings on a more personable level with any and all that might be inclined to listen. Please feel free to reach out. My wishes for all of you in this decision is to lead with the compassion we need in leadership.

Thank you for considering this comment. I wish you all a safe and happy season of celebration.

With great appreciation of your time,  
Natalie Walters

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**Vote NO Aquarium**

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**From** Sheila Trafton <trafton18@gmail.com>

**Date** Tue 12/17/2024 9:20 AM

**To** Office of the Onondaga County Legislature <OnondagaCountyLegislature@ongov.net>

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Good Morning,

As an Onondaga County tax payer, I am writing to request you Vote NO for additional funding for the Aquarium.

Onondaga County has multiple issues that are in dire need of attention.

The money funding this project would be better utilized in other areas to benefit the health and well being of our people and communities.

Sincerely,

Sheila Trafton

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## In Response to proposed more tax money for aquarium

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**From** Ruth Owens <ruthmowens@gmail.com>

**Date** Tue 12/17/2024 9:31 AM

**To** Office of the Onondaga County Legislature <onondagacountylegislature@ongov.net>

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To Whom It May Concern in the Onondaga County Legislature,  
I'm writing in response to a Syracuse.com article this morning about the proposed voting to approve for \$11 million more for the aquarium. I would respectfully request that you vote no on this. The aquarium seems ill advised and the fact that there isn't enough money right now should tell you that this is not a good idea for our county. Please stop asking for taxpayers to pay for something most do not want. Please use our tax money to improve our streets, buildings, crime, homelessness, and the quality of our experience in living in Syracuse and Onondaga County. We already have a world class zoo, and another attraction is just not going to help us. I would urge you to consider what will improve life for Onondaga County residents who are already here. Happy residents tell others why they like living here, not the fancy unnecessary things. Please send the message to McMahon that Onondaga County deserves to have its tax money be spent for the people. Thank you for your time.

~Ruth Owens  
Town of Geddes Resident

## Vote no to the Aquarium

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**From** Chelsie T <chels1229@icloud.com>

**Date** Tue 12/17/2024 9:35 AM

**To** Office of the Onondaga County Legislature <OnondagaCountyLegislature@ongov.net>

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## Vote NO Aquarium

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From Delanry Trafton <traftonsc10@gmail.com>

Date Tue 12/17/2024 9:37 AM

To Office of the Onondaga County Legislature <OnondagaCountyLegislature@ongov.net>

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**Good Morning,**

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**Onondaga County has multiple issues that are in dire need of attention.**

**The money funding this project would be better utilized in other areas to benefit the health and well being of our people and communities.**

**Sincerely,**

**Delanry Trafton**



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**Public comment**

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**From** gary rettig <grettig@twcny.rr.com>

**Date** Tue 12/17/2024 9:44 AM

**To** Office of the Onondaga County Legislature <OnondagaCountyLegislature@ongov.net>

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Please don't give any more money to this project [Aquarium]. Thank you

Gary Rettig

202 Bradford parkway

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**DO NOT SPEND A PENNY MORE ON THE AQUARIUM**

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**From** Dan O. <danielomyers18@gmail.com>

**Date** Tue 12/17/2024 9:51 AM

**To** Office of the Onondaga County Legislature <OnondagaCountyLegislature@ongov.net>

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As a local of Syracuse born and raised I would like to voice my opinion on this matter. You can ask any resident we don't want the aquarium and we definitely don't want more spent on it

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**11M transfer on your agenda today**

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**From** chris shepherd <syrvmguy@hotmail.com>

**Date** Tue 12/17/2024 10:01 AM

**To** Office of the Onondaga County Legislature <OnondagaCountyLegislature@ongov.net>

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This item should be referred to the appropriate committees for discussion and a proper recommendation. In this taxpayer's opinion, there are far more pressing matters for you to consider than a vanity project such as this. In any event, items for your consideration should follow proper procedures before reaching the floor.

Sent from my iPhone

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**Public Comment 12/17**

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**From** Amy Criss <amy.criss@gmail.com>

**Date** Tue 12/17/2024 10:11 AM

**To** Office of the Onondaga County Legislature <OnondagaCountyLegislature@ongov.net>

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dear county officials,

As a resident of Onondaga County and the city of Syracuse and a voter, I am vehemently opposed to funding or loaning funds for the proposed aquarium.

We have a publicly funded and beautiful aquarium at the zoo. Attendance is not overwhelming the current facility.

Furthermore, county money would be better spent on a variety of other services for the people of our region.

Sincerely,  
Amy Criss  
330 Kensington Rd, Syracuse, NY 13210

## Public Comment 12/17

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**From** Yvonne Essi <dinerlife315@gmail.com>

**Date** Tue 12/17/2024 10:33 AM

**To** Office of the Onondaga County Legislature <onondagacountylegislature@ongov.net>

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As a small business owner and lifelong resident of the city I urge you to vote NO for this aquarium and any funding for it!

Yvonne Essi

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**Public Comment 12/17**

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**From** Steven Simon <sasimon6047@gmail.com>

**Date** Tue 12/17/2024 10:40 AM

**To** Office of the Onondaga County Legislature <onondagaCountyLegislature@ongov.net>

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I implore the Onondaga County Legislature to stop this Aquarium folly and vote NO to extending another \$11 million in supposed "loans" to the project. There are so many more pressing needs in our County. Let's begin with housing. Education. Food insecurity. Healthcare.

You should be focusing on the needs of your constituents, we the people, and not the commercial pipe dreams of a tourism feature that has been proven across the country to be a losing proposition.

Thank you,

Steven Simon  
940 Cumberland Ave  
Syracuse, NY 13210  
[sasimon6047@gmail.com](mailto:sasimon6047@gmail.com)

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## No to More Aquarium \$\$\$

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**From** Andy Mager <andy.mager@gmail.com>

**Date** Tue 12/17/2024 11:01 AM

**To** Office of the Onondaga County Legislature <OnondagaCountyLegislature@ongov.net>

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Greetings Onondaga County Legislators:

I was shocked to read on Syracuse.com that you plan to vote on an additional \$11 million for the aquarium today. No advance discussion, no invitation to public comment. As you well know, this project only passed because of previous backroom deals, and it has very little public support.

I don't think we can count on the County Executive's assertion that this money will be paid back by corporate sponsors.

Please vote no, and if you want to bring it back, do it after there is time for public input.

Happy Holidays to all.

Andy Mager  
559 Buckingham Ave, Syracuse, NY 13210

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## VOTE NO ON AQUARIUM

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**From** Cat Walsh <production@syracuseculturalworkers.com>

**Date** Tue 12/17/2024 11:07 AM

**To** Office of the Onondaga County Legislature <onondagacountylegislature@ongov.net>

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PLEASE VOTE NO ON AQUARIUM FUNDS TODAY

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Cat Walsh

Graphic Designer

Syracuse Cultural Workers

Phone: 315-474-1132 ext 17

Email: production@syracuseculturalworkers.com

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## No to Aquarium!

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**From** Sharon Akkoul <sharon.akkoul@gmail.com>

**Date** Tue 12/17/2024 11:08 AM

**To** Office of the Onondaga County Legislature <onondagacountylegislature@ongov.net>

**NOTICE:** This email originated from outside of Onondaga County's email system. **Use caution** with links and attachments.

Please do not throw more money toward this project when there are so many other ways to invest \$100 million in our community -- infrastructure, schools, programs, services, etc.

Thank you.

Sharon Akkoul  
Breakspear Road  
Syracuse, NY

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## Vote NO on the aquarium please!

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**From** Charlotte Ells <charlotte.ells98@gmail.com>

**Date** Tue 12/17/2024 11:12 AM

**To** Office of the Onondaga County Legislature <onondagacountylegislature@ongov.net>

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Please vote no on the aquarium today. We need to spend our funds on housing, the lead crisis, and other issues that affect families.

Charlotte Ells  
403 N Highland Ave  
Dewitt NY

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## Funding for aquarium

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**From** Catherine Wool <cgwool57@gmail.com>

**Date** Tue 12/17/2024 11:13 AM

**To** Office of the Onondaga County Legislature <onondagacountylegislature@ongov.net>

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To the Legislature:

I respectfully request that you do not approve any additional funding for the Inner Harbor aquarium. Considering Syracuse has the highest rate of child poverty in the U.S. for large cities, this project should not take precedent over the needs of our children.

Ryan McMahon asking for another \$11 million for an aquarium the area does not need is tone deaf and irresponsible in light of the greater issue facing our community. Please do not approve this request.

Regards,

Christian and Catherine Wool  
Fabius, NY 13063

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**Vote NO**

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**From** Valerie Beecher <valeriebeecher@gmail.com>

**Date** Tue 12/17/2024 11:13 AM

**To** Office of the Onondaga County Legislature <onondagacountylegislature@ongov.net>

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To whom it may concern:

I am writing to ask the Legislators to vote "NO" on the additional \$11 million in funding for the proposed aquarium. Construction costs are very high and the project is already over budget. Please vote "NO" to allow funding for far more important agenda items such as affordable housing, lead abatement, and even a different approach to future revitalization of the area as our region accepts a large employer and additional residents. An aquarium is NOT what the community would like to support.

Thank you,

Valerie Beecher, MS  
Town of Manlius Planning Board Chair  
valeriebeecher@gmail.com  
vbeecher@townofmanlius.org  
315.247.6510

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## Vote No on aquarium funding

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**From** Maureen Curtin <maureen.curtin@oswego.edu>

**Date** Tue 12/17/2024 11:21 AM

**To** Office of the Onondaga County Legislature <onondagacountylegislature@ongov.net>

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Good morning,

I am writing as a resident of Onondaga County (4859 McDonald Road, 13215) to implore our Legislature to vote "No" to allocate additional funds to the aquarium, a project that offers no public benefit to county residents. Anyone paying attention has seen countless stories about housing that is inadequate, dangerous, and grossly unaffordable in the county, which means that funding an aquarium amounts to fiscal irresponsibility.

The Legislature is dominated by a party that defines itself in terms of fiscal responsibility, so I appeal to these values. Fund initiatives that will change the affordable housing landscape in the city of Syracuse and across the county.

Thank you,  
Maureen Curtin

Maureen F. Curtin, Ph.D. she/her  
Associate Professor, English  
State University of New York-Oswego

**Proud Member of United University Professions (UUP)**

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## Vote NO more for aquarium

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**From** Sarah and Jonathan <jonathansarah2018@gmail.com>

**Date** Tue 12/17/2024 11:21 AM

**To** Office of the Onondaga County Legislature <onondagacountylegislature@ongov.net>

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Let's use our funds to create affordable housing, deal with the lead crisis and other ways to help families in need, FIRST.

Only then can we talk about an aquarium.

Sarah Nahar  
Graduate student at Syracuse University  
Zip code: 13224

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**Vote no!**

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**From** Erin <erin.toch@gmail.com>

**Date** Tue 12/17/2024 11:23 AM

**To** Office of the Onondaga County Legislature <onondagacountylegislature@ongov.net>

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I'm writing to express my earnest hope that you will vote against the \$11 million request for funding for the aquarium. This project should not go forward. The sacred lake has already been the site of environmental disaster and continues to be used as a stolen resource of profiteers through the amphitheater, mall, among the many others. The aquarium is a short sighted project that ignores the need for reparations to the Onondaga Nation and is completely unnecessary for our city. Please do not commit any more funding to something that is detrimental to our city and the history of the Haudenosaunee people.

Sincerely,  
Erin Tochelli

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## Vote No to additional funding for aquarium

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**From** Janine Jarvis <janinejarvis@gmail.com>

**Date** Tue 12/17/2024 11:24 AM

**To** Office of the Onondaga County Legislature <onondagacountylegislature@ongov.net>

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Dear Onondaga County Legislature,

I am writing as a concerned Onondaga County citizen and property owner in the City of Syracuse. I urge you to vote no to the last minute proposal for an additional \$11 million dollars in funds to be allocated to the Aquarium project.

We have many needs in our county, and an aquarium does not even come close to making the list. Syracuse has the highest child poverty rate in the country. We have aging and dangerous infrastructure, lead pipes that deliver drinking water to our homes, a shortage of affordable housing, and a growing problem with drug addiction and homelessness. These are the issues that could most use additional funding. Please simply look around you to see the greatest need.

Sincerely,  
Janine Jarvis



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## Aquarium

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**From** Evelyn Kennenwood <evykenn2012@gmail.com>

**Date** Tue 12/17/2024 11:26 AM

**To** Office of the Onondaga County Legislature <onondagacountylegislature@ongov.net>

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Please vote no on today's funding for the aquarium. Funds are much more needed on families and children in need. I know you have heard about our ranking in child poverty. The quality of human life is so much more important than a fish tank in my view, and I hope it is in yours too.

Come in

Evelyn Kennenwood

211 Crawford Ave Syracuse NY 13224

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## Additional funding for the aquarium

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**From** Elinor Cramer <elinorcramer@verizon.net>

**Date** Tue 12/17/2024 11:26 AM

**To** Office of the Onondaga County Legislature <onondagacountylegislature@ongov.net>

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Dear Onondaga County Legislators,

I'm a resident of Syracuse and am very concerned about the proposed increase in funding for an unnecessary project.

Syracuse has recently been listed as the child poverty capitol of the United States. Even the suburbs are inadequately housed.

Our county can help lift families out of their desperate financial situation by putting any funds we have toward affordable housing.

Thank you for considering my opinion,

Elinor Cramer  
515 Scott Avenue  
Syracuse, NY 13224

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Elinor Cramer  
515 Scott Ave  
Syracuse, NY 13224  
315-469-7987

## Aquarium funding

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**From** Patricia Linehan <patglinehan@yahoo.com>

**Date** Tue 12/17/2024 11:28 AM

**To** Office of the Onondaga County Legislature <onondagacountylegislature@ongov.net>

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Please vote NO for additional funding for the Aquarium project.

Pat Linehan,  
Camillus NY

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**Proposed**

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**From** Carl Wiezalis <cprwiezalis@gmail.com>

**Date** Tue 12/17/2024 11:28 AM

**To** Office of the Onondaga County Legislature <onondagacountylegislature@ongov.net>

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Aquarium  
Legislature,

Please vote down additional funds for the never- supported project for Onondaga Lake .  
Maintain the natural lake front , support Onondaga Indian projects , advance wildlife management ,  
invest in human housing , food for children and lead abatement .

The age of zoos for all animals ,including aquatic /marine ,has passed ! Photography now brings all  
wildlife into our lives without imprisoning them in glass or iron cages .

Please terminate this project , and support freedom over capture and incarceration .

Carl P Wiezalis  
Distinguished Professor ,SUNY  
Upstate Medical University ,Syracuse ,NY

Sent from my iPhone

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## Use of funds (Aquarium)

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**From** Rosey Oaks-Lee <rosey.oakslee@gmail.com>

**Date** Tue 12/17/2024 11:29 AM

**To** Office of the Onondaga County Legislature <onondagacountylegislature@ongov.net>

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I am writing this morning regarding the vote to be taken this afternoon to allocate more funds for the building of the Aquarium.

As a resident of this county, I am disappointed that we are investing in this project to this degree, rather than using the money for direct action for families and residents in need in our communities (affordable housing is just one of the needs). I think this is an opportunity to make a difference, and the expectation that the trickle down effect from this project will make a difference seems ill-conceived.

I hope that you will listen to the constituents of this county and their lack of support for this, and vote against this allocation.

Thank you.

Rosemary Oaks-Lee  
102 Margo Ln, Fayetteville, NY 13066

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**Re: Automatic reply: Use of funds (Aquarium)**

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**From** Rosey Oaks-Lee <rosey.oakslee@gmail.com>

**Date** Tue 12/17/2024 11:49 AM

**To** Office of the Onondaga County Legislature <onondagacountylegislature@ongov.net>

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Especially Mark Olsen, who wishes to represent me and my neighbors.

On Tue, Dec 17, 2024 at 11:29 AM Office of the Onondaga County Legislature  
<[onondagacountylegislature@ongov.net](mailto:onondagacountylegislature@ongov.net)> wrote:

Thank you for contacting the Onondaga County Legislature.

Your email is appreciated and will be forwarded to the legislator(s) that you would like to contact.

Have a great day!

Office hours:

Mon. - Fri.: 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

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**Please vote no on aquarium funding**

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**From** michellegabelphoto@gmail.com <michellegabelphoto@gmail.com>

**Date** Tue 12/17/2024 11:30 AM

**To** Office of the Onondaga County Legislature <onondagacountylegislature@ongov.net>

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Dear Onondaga County Legislature,

Please vote no on aquarium funding. The money could be better spent on affordable housing and infrastructure. The aquarium is an awful idea.

Best,  
Michelle Gabel

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## Vote NO on 11 million for the aquarium

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**From** kimberley McCoy <kimberleymcc@gmail.com>

**Date** Tue 12/17/2024 11:31 AM

**To** Office of the Onondaga County Legislature <onondagacountylegislature@ongov.net>

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Dear Onondaga County Legislature,

I'm writing as a resident of the city of Syracuse and Onondaga County to say that I do not support another 11 million dollars for this project. County dollars should be spent on improving housing for people- not creating a very expensive house for fish- who would prefer to remain "unhoused." And please respect the view of the Onondaga people who do not support this project.

Thank you,  
Kimberley McCoy  
514 Columbus Ave, Syracuse, NY 13210



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**No more aquarium money!**

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**From** DAVID PASINSKI <dpasinski@verizon.net>

**Date** Tue 12/17/2024 11:31 AM

**To** Office of the Onondaga County Legislature <onondagacountylegislature@ongov.net>

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Don't be spineless jellyfish! Say no to this increasingly costly boondoggle! You killed yourselves if you think this is the last time he is going to come looking for money!  
You owe it to the city and to the county not to waste our money when there were so many other more pressing needs.

Dave Pasinski  
Fayetteville, NY  
Sent from my iPhone

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## Aquarium funding

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**From** Nancy Keefe Rhodes <nancykeeferrhodes@gmail.com>

**Date** Tue 12/17/2024 11:34 AM

**To** Office of the Onondaga County Legislature <onondagacountylegislature@ongov.net>

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Dear County Leg representatives:

Yesterday the front page of the Post-Standard ran a story that we have the HIGHEST RATE OF CHILD POVERTY IN THE COUNTRY. Let that sink in: #1 in the United States.

Vote NO on additional funding for the aquarium. Please get your priorities straight.

Nancy Keefe Rhodes  
108 Concord Pl.  
Syracuse, NY 13210

Nancy Keefe Rhodes  
[nancykeeferrhodes@gmail.com](mailto:nancykeeferrhodes@gmail.com)  
315.427.6547 (cell)  
She/her/hers  
Skype: nancy.keefe.rhodes  
Writing, editing & curating ~ film, photo & visual arts

"People without emotions cannot make sensible decisions because they don't know how much anything is worth. People without social emotions like empathy are not objective decision-makers. They are sociopaths." - David Brooks

"The poet begins at a loss for words." - Teju Cole on the 8th anniversary of Seamus Heaney's death

"Hold the line." - Amy E. Bartell

"A need to tell and hear stories is essential to the species homo sapiens - second in necessity apparently after nourishment and before love and shelter." - Reynolds Price

"Art does what needs to be done." - Peter Sellars

"Rescue those being taken off to death, and save those stumbling toward slaughter." - Proverbs 24:11

*I acknowledge, with respect, the Onondaga Nation, Firekeepers of the Haudenosaunee Confederacy, on whose ancestral lands I live & work.*

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## Aquarium

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**From** Susan Baldacci <susanbaldacci@gmail.com>

**Date** Tue 12/17/2024 11:36 AM

**To** Office of the Onondaga County Legislature <onondagacountylegislature@ongov.net>

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Please kill this aquarium. Asking for 11 Million up front and rushing it through makes me dislike this project more than I did before.

Sent from my iPhone

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## Vote no for the aquarium

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**From** Karen Wolff <kjwolfff@msn.com>

**Date** Tue 12/17/2024 11:37 AM

**To** Office of the Onondaga County Legislature <onondagacountylegislature@ongov.net>

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Does anyone really think housing for fish is more important than affordable housing for people

We don't need the aquarium and we don't want the aquarium

Karen Wolff

317 stanton dr

Syracuse 13214

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

Have a blessed day

## Aquarium

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**From** Paulina Murray <pml323@yahoo.com>

**Date** Tue 12/17/2024 11:40 AM

**To** Office of the Onondaga County Legislature <onondagacountylegislature@ongov.net>

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Please vote NO for the Aquarium. We need affordable housing.

Thank you. Paulina Murray-Lee

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## Comment on Aquarium Funding Vote

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**From** Dan Simonson <dolus.occuli@gmail.com>

**Date** Tue 12/17/2024 11:41 AM

**To** Office of the Onondaga County Legislature <onondagacountylegislature@ongov.net>

**NOTICE:** This email originated from outside of Onondaga County's email system. **Use caution** with links and attachments.

To the Onondaga County Legislature,

It has come to my attention that you are voting today to dump more funds into the unpopular, hairbrained aquarium project.

May I suggest an alternative. There are plenty of potholes on my commute to work. Perhaps you could put fish in them. They're even already full of water, so you won't even have to pay for that. I recommend ocean fish since all the road salt probably makes the potholes salty.

Since we barely seem to have money for road maintenance, this seems like a win-win without having to allocate further funds for building Versailles for fish.

-Dan

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"A smooth sea never made a skillful mariner." he/him

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## NO additional money for the Aquarium!!!!

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**From** Lee Cridland <lee@peacecouncil.net>

**Date** Tue 12/17/2024 11:42 AM

**To** Office of the Onondaga County Legislature <onondagacountylegislature@ongov.net>

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Greetings Onondaga County Legislators:

I was shocked to read on Syracuse.com that you plan to vote on an additional \$11 million for the aquarium today. **No advance discussion, no invitation to public comment.** As you well know, this project only passed because of previous backroom deals, and it has very little public support.

I don't think we can count on the County Executive's assertion that this money will be paid back by corporate sponsors.

Please vote no, there are other much more pressing needs in our community!

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In Peace and Solidarity,

Lee Cridland (she/her)  
Staff Coordinator  
2013 E. Genesee Street  
Syracuse, NY 13210  
315-472-5478  
[peacecouncil.net](http://peacecouncil.net)

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**no to more \$\$\$ for aquarium**

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**From** karen kerney <karenk11950@gmail.com>

**Date** Tue 12/17/2024 11:44 AM

**To** Office of the Onondaga County Legislature <onondagacountylegislature@ongov.net>

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this is a pet project in a county with some of the highest poverty rates..  
please put the people who live in the county FIRST!!!

Our kids need more resources than a lesson in how to feed fish...

please think deep, long and hard...  
sincerely Karen Kerney, Jamesville, NY 13078



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## 11 million aquarium request

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**From** Katherine Moran <kcmoran2014@gmail.com>

**Date** Tue 12/17/2024 11:49 AM

**To** Office of the Onondaga County Legislature <onondagacountylegislature@ongov.net>

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Dear County Legislators-

It seems like this is an unexpected request in addition to the funds already committed and I believe Onondaga County has some other critical issues that are more worthy of consideration. As a County taxpayer I respectfully request thoughtful deliberation at your 1 pm meeting today.

Thank you -

Katherine Moran

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11Million

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From Desiree <deslafa20@gmail.com>

Date Tue 12/17/2024 11:52 AM

To Office of the Onondaga County Legislature <OnondagaCountyLegislature@ongov.net>

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Good morning,

It was only released a few days ago that Syracuse has the worst child poverty among larger US cities at 45.6%.

According to a Bank of America analysis, cited by CNN in October 2024, about 1/5th of households earning more than \$150k a year are living paycheck to paycheck.

According to the 2025 Onondaga County CSEA employee Hourly Salary Schedule, for a county employee to fall even close to a \$150k income, they would have to have a 2 income household, both adults being at least a Step 13.

Not even you all make as much as a Step 13, as elected officials who are tasked with leading our county and taking care of your constituents.

The median household income in Onondaga County is \$74,740. Looking at the above numbers, knowing 20% of households making at least \$150k a year, we can only assume that many of us are struggling to make it day to day.

Many of us will not be able to comfortably afford to even buy our families tickets to this aquarium.

The closest aquarium to us is VIA Aquarium in Schenectady, NY. Adult tickets run \$21/ticket, while child tickets run \$15/ticket. If the tickets for your aquarium are comparable, families of 3-4 can expect to spend around \$100, including refreshments.

This is all just to say, 11 million dollars is a lot of money. We understand that you believe it will bring in revenue and bring tourists. However, Destiny USA is floundering despite the tourists it brings in.

The people of Onondaga County are struggling; our homes are in disrepair. Our kids are struggling, our adults are homeless.

Why would people want to visit here, when your constituents are begging for money on almost every street corner?

Why would they visit here after seeing us in the news for record child poverty rates?

We cannot afford to bank on a long term revenue generated from an aquarium lacking sponsors that will sit in the smelliest part of the city.

We need help now. We are sad and frustrated watching you pour money into some lackluster far-off goal when we are hungry now.

Please listen when we ask you to say No to another 11 million going into the aquarium.

There are so many other things we could do with that money, there are so many lives that could be helped.

Say no.

Thank you.

## Aquarium

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**From** Virginia DeBenedictis <virgdeb@icloud.com>

**Date** Tue 12/17/2024 11:56 AM

**To** Office of the Onondaga County Legislature <onondagacountylegislature@ongov.net>

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Vole NO on funding. A very poor use of public funds. You can do better for your constituents.

Virginia DeBenedictis

Sent from my iPhone

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## No on additional funding for aquarium

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From Bahar Zaker <bazooq@gmail.com>

Date Tue 12/17/2024 11:58 AM

To Office of the Onondaga County Legislature <onondagacountylegislature@ongov.net>

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Dear legislator,

I am a resident of Syracuse and I'm writing to strongly encourage you to vote NO on \$11 million in additional funding for the aquarium. At a time when our city and county are suffering from a lack of adequate housing, contaminated drinking water, rising food and heating prices, and great uncertainty in the world, this funding amounts to laughing in the face of the majority of residents who are not fans of the aquarium and have more pressing needs.

Please no more funds for the aquarium! Let's house and warm residents instead this holiday season!

Best,  
Bahar Zaker

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## Aquarium project

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**From** Elaine Walter <elf48@twcny.rr.com>

**Date** Tue 12/17/2024 11:58 AM

**To** Office of the Onondaga County Legislature <onondagacountylegislature@ongov.net>

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Please vote "No" today on further funding for the aquarium project. This is good money after bad which taxpayers will be on the hook for. At the very least, send this back to committee for proper review.

Elaine Walter 801 Broad St

Syracuse, NY 13210

Sent from my iPad

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**Public Comment 12/17**

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**From** Andra Leimanis <aleimanis@gmail.com>

**Date** Tue 12/17/2024 11:59 AM

**To** Office of the Onondaga County Legislature <OnondagaCountyLegislature@ongov.net>

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To the Onondaga County Legislature:

I am asking that the Legislators vote NO on Amending the 2024 County Budget to Accept Funds for the Aquarium and Authorizing the County Executive to Enter into Agreements to Implement this Resolution (\$11,000,000).

No, Onondaga County should not allocate an additional \$11 million dollars to the building of an aquarium. It was already problematic and unfortunate for residents of our county when the aquarium project was approved. Going over the budget and allocating more funds goes beyond the pale.

Building an aquarium in Syracuse, a city with the nation's worst child poverty rate among larger U.S. cities, was already a signal that the county preferred a vanity project instead of addressing the basic, essential needs of children living below the poverty line in Syracuse. Allocating more money to the aquarium is again sending the clear message that our loval government is not prioritizing the safety and well-being of our children and families.

We need affordable, safe housing for families and seniors. We need medical (including dental and mental) care. We need lead remediation in buildings and replacement of lead service lines to homes. We need layered support programs for our residents. We do not need an aquarium that most of us will not be able to visit.

Please vote NO on the addition \$11,000,000 being requested for the aquarium. The aquarium is NOT a common sense, fiscally responsible expenditure.

Sincerely,

Andra Leimanis  
921 Maryland Ave  
Syracuse, NY 13210

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## Say no

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**From** Susan Flandera <susanflandera@icloud.com>

**Date** Tue 12/17/2024 12:00 PM

**To** Office of the Onondaga County Legislature <OnondagaCountyLegislature@ongov.net>

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Please listen when we ask you to say No to another 11 million going into the aquarium.

There are so many other things we could do with that money, there are so many lives that could be helped.

Say no.

Thank you.

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## Aquarium funding

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**From** Mary Beth Hinton <mbhinton2@gmail.com>

**Date** Tue 12/17/2024 12:00 PM

**To** Office of the Onondaga County Legislature <onondagacountylegislature@ongov.net>

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In a city that has the worst child poverty rate in the country, I do not see the value of directing even more money—\$11 million--to the aquarium project. We need that money for affordable housing, helping families in need, and providing low-cost spay-and-neuter services to solve the crisis of dog and cat homelessness. Don't be fools!

Mary Beth Hinton

December 17, 2024

Motion Made By Dr. Kelly, Mr. Brown, Mr. Meaker,  
Ms. Hernandez

RESOLUTION NO. 184

AMENDING THE 2024 ONONDAGA COUNTY BUDGET TO ACCEPT GRANT FUNDS FROM  
THE NEW YORK STATE OFFICE OF TEMPORARY AND DISABILITY ASSISTANCE FOR  
ONONDAGA COUNTY'S CHILD POVERTY REDUCTION INITIATIVE PROGRAM

WHEREAS, New York State, through its Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance (OTDA), has awarded the County of Onondaga funding in the amount of \$12,250,000 for its Child Poverty Reduction Initiative (CPRI) Program; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to include such funds in the Onondaga County Department of Social Services – Economic Security's 2024 budget and authorize the execution of agreements; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the County Executive is authorized to execute agreements and such other documents as may be reasonably necessary to implement the intent of this resolution; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the 2024 County budget be amended as follows:

REVENUES:

In Admin Unit 8110000000  
Department of Social Services – Economic Security  
Speed Type #430413  
Project: 785410024  
CPRI Program  
In Acct. 590025  
St Aid – Social Services \$12,250,000

APPROPRIATIONS:

In Admin Unit 8110000000  
Department of Social Services – Economic Security  
Speed Type #430413  
Project: 785410024  
CPRI Program  
In Acct. 695700  
Contractual Services \$12,250,000

ADOPTED 12/17/2024



I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of the legislation duly adopted by the County Legislature of Onondaga County on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of December 2024.

A blue ink signature of the Clerk, County Legislature.

Clerk, County Legislature

**DECEMBER 17, 2024  
SESSION**

**No. 184**

**LEGISLATORS**

**AYES:**

**NOES:**

**ABSENT:**

**EXCUSED:**

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**8. RYAN**

**1. MAY**

**12. KNAPP**

**13. BUSH**

**14. KELLY**

**15. BROWN**

**16. GARLAND**

**17. HERNANDEZ**

**2. MEAKER**

**4. GUNNIP**

**5. CODY**

**6. ABBOTT**

**7. ROMEO**

**9. HARVEY**

**10. OLSON**

**11. McCARRON**

**3. BURTIS**

**TOTAL:**

**14**

**1**

**2**

**0**

*Mr. Brown, Mr. Meaker  
& Ms. Hernandez  
requested to be added  
as cosponsors.*

December 17, 2024

Motion Made By Mr. Burtis

RESOLUTION NO. 185

CONFIRMING APPOINTMENTS TO THE ONONDAGA COUNTY RESOURCE RECOVERY  
AGENCY

WHEREAS, the Chairman of the Legislature has duly appointed and designated pursuant to Title 13B, as amended, of the New York State Public Authorities Law, subject to confirmation by the Onondaga County Legislature, the following individuals as members of the Onondaga County Resource Recovery Agency:

APPOINTMENTS:

Barbara Stacer  
7626 Brown Gulf Road  
Jamesville, New York 13078

TERM EXPIRES:

December 31, 2026

Jennifer Wood  
7327 Spring Mountain Drive  
East Syracuse, New York 13057

December 31, 2027

WHEREAS, it is the desire of this Legislature to confirm said appointments; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Onondaga County Legislature does hereby confirm the appointments of the above individuals as members of the Onondaga County Resource Recovery Agency for the term specified above.

ADOPTED 12/17/2024



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Clerk, County Legislature

**DECEMBER 17, 2024  
SESSION**

**No. 185**

**LEGISLATORS**

**AYES:**

**NOES:**

**ABSENT:**

**EXCUSED:**

**2**

**8. RYAN**

**1. MAY**

**12. KNAPP**

**13. BUSH**

**14. KELLY**

**15. BROWN**

**16. GARLAND**

**17. HERNANDEZ**

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**6. ABBOTT**

**7. ROMEO**

**9. HARVEY**

**10. OLSON**

**11. McCARRON**

**3. BURTIS**

**TOTAL:**

**15**

**0**

**2**

**0**

December 17, 2024

Motion Made By Mr. Burtis

RESOLUTION NO. 186

CONFIRMING REAPPOINTMENTS TO THE CORNELL COOPERATIVE EXTENSION  
ASSOCIATION OF ONONDAGA COUNTY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 224 of the New York State County Law, Article V, Section 3 of the Constitution of the Cornell Cooperative Extension Association of Onondaga County, and the Association's By-Laws, the Onondaga County Legislature has been requested annually to appoint two legislators to serve on the Board of Directors of said Association; and

WHEREAS, the Chairman of the Onondaga County Legislature has reappointed Debra Cody and Charles Garland as the Legislature's representatives; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Onondaga County Legislature hereby confirms the reappointments of the following individuals as members of the Cornell Cooperative Extension Association of Onondaga County Board of Directors for the term specified:

REAPPOINTMENTS:

Debra Cody  
107 Circle Road  
North Syracuse, New York 13212

TERM EXPIRES:

December 31, 2025

Charles Garland  
208 Martin Luther King W  
Syracuse, New York 13205

December 31, 2025

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Clerk, County Legislature

**DECEMBER 17, 2024  
SESSION**

**No. 186**

**LEGISLATORS**

**AYES:**

**NOES:**

**ABSENT:**

**EXCUSED:**

**3**

**8. RYAN**

**1. MAY**

**12. KNAPP**

**13. BUSH**

**14. KELLY**

**15. BROWN**

**16. GARLAND**

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**7. ROMEO**

**9. HARVEY**

**10. OLSON**

**11. McCARRON**

**3. BURTIS**

**TOTAL:**

**15**

**0**

**2**

**0**



December 17, 2024

Motion Made By Mr. Burtis

RESOLUTION NO. 187

CONFIRMING REAPPOINTMENTS TO THE ONONDAGA COUNTY SOIL AND WATER  
CONSERVATION DISTRICT BOARD

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 7 of the Soil Conservation District Law, the Onondaga County Legislature has been requested annually to appoint two of its members as Directors to the Onondaga County Soil and Water Conservation District Board; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Onondaga County Legislature to reappoint Mark Olson and David Knapp as the Legislature's representatives; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Onondaga County Legislature hereby confirms the reappointment of the following individuals as Directors of the Onondaga County Soil and Water Conservation District Board for the term specified:

REAPPOINTMENTS:

Mark Olson  
103 Barker Lane  
Fayetteville, New York 13066

TERM EXPIRES:

December 31, 2025

David Knapp  
PO BOX 467  
LaFayette, New York 13084

December 31, 2025

ADOPTED 12/17/2024



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Clerk, County Legislature

**DECEMBER 17, 2024  
SESSION**

**No. 187**

**LEGISLATORS**

**AYES:**

**NOES:**

**ABSENT:**

**EXCUSED:**

**4**

**8. RYAN**

**1. MAY**

**12. KNAPP**

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**15. BROWN**

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**9. HARVEY**

**10. OLSON**

**11. McCARRON**

**3. BURTIS**

**TOTAL:**

**15**

**0**

**2**

**0**

December 17, 2024

Motion Made By Mr. Burtis

RESOLUTION NO. 188

REAPPOINTING TWO DIRECTORS TO THE ONONDAGA COUNTY TOBACCO ASSET  
SECURITIZATION CORPORATION

WHEREAS, by Local Law No. 8 adopted June 4, 2001, this Onondaga County Legislature provided for the sale of the County's rights to receive payments expected to become due under the Master Settlement Agreement, related Consent Decree and Final Judgment with various tobacco companies, and authorized the County to sell those rights to a local development corporation ("Onondaga Tobacco Asset Securitization Corporation"); and

WHEREAS, said local law provides for a five member Board of Directors to manage said corporation, with two Directors to be appointed by the Onondaga County Legislature subject to confirmation by the County Legislature; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to that local law, it is the desire of this Legislature to appoint two Directors to the Onondaga Tobacco Asset Securitization Corporation; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Onondaga County Legislature hereby confirms the reappointments of the following individuals to the Onondaga Tobacco Asset Securitization Corporation:

REAPPOINTMENTS:

Colleen Gunnip  
378 Grenadier Drive  
Liverpool, New York 13090

TERM EXPIRES:

December 31, 2025

Richard McCarron  
4700 Manor Hill Drive  
Syracuse, New York 13215

December 31, 2025

and, be it further

RESOLVED, that each Director shall serve for a one year term or until the next annual meeting of the Corporation, if such meeting occurs one year or more after commencement of the Director's then current term, and in any event until their successors have been duly appointed and qualified, or as otherwise determined by the Board of Directors pursuant to the By-laws of said corporation; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that each Director also shall serve as a Trustee to the Onondaga Tobacco Asset Securitization Corporation Residual Trust.

ADOPTED 12/17/2024



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Clerk, County Legislature

**DECEMBER 17, 2024  
SESSION**

**No. 188**

**LEGISLATORS**

**AYES:**

**NOES:**

**ABSENT:**

**EXCUSED:**

**5**

**8. RYAN**

**1. MAY**

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**7. ROMEO**

**9. HARVEY**

**10. OLSON**

**11. McCARRON**

**3. BURTIS**

**TOTAL:**

**15**

**0**

**2**

**0**

December 17, 2024

Motion Made By Mr. Burtis, Mr. Garland, Mr. Ryan

RESOLUTION NO. 189

APPOINTING KEVIN RYAN AS REPUBLICAN COMMISSIONER OF ELECTIONS

WHEREAS, the Chair of the Onondaga County Republican Committee has filed a certification with the Clerk of the Onondaga County Legislature, pursuant to Section 3-204 of the New York State Election Law, which certification states that Kevin Ryan, residing at 213 Strathmore Drive, Syracuse, New York 13207, was duly recommended by the Republican Committee of Onondaga County as a suitable and qualified person for appointment to the Office of Republican Commissioner of Elections; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of this Legislature to make such appointment; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Onondaga County Legislature does hereby appoint Kevin Ryan, residing at 213 Strathmore Drive, Syracuse, New York 13207, to the Office of Republican Commissioner of Elections for the County of Onondaga, for a term of two (2) years, as of the first day of January 2025; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that, pursuant to the requirements of Election Law Section 3-208, the Elections Commissioners for Onondaga County shall receive an equal salary, with such salary to be paid at the rate at Grade E09, under the current salary schedule; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of this Legislature is hereby directed to cause certified copies of this resolution to be forwarded to the proper State and County officials.

ADOPTED 12/17/2024



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Clerk, County Legislature

**DECEMBER 17, 2024  
SESSION**

**No. 189**

**LEGISLATORS**

**AYES:**

**NOES:**

**ABSENT:**

**EXCUSED:**

**6**

**8. RYAN**

**1. MAY**

**12. KNAPP**

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**11. McCARRON**

**3. BURTIS**

**TOTAL:**

**15**

**0**

**2**

**0**

*Mr. Garland &  
Mr. Ryan requested to  
be added as cosponsors.*

**CERTIFICATE OF RECOMMENDATION FOR  
REPUBLICAN ELECTION COMMISSIONER**

TO THE CLERK OF THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE, COUNTY OF ONONDAGA:

I hereby certify that at a meeting of the Republican County Committee of the County of Onondaga, held on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of December 2024, at Salina Town Hall, 201 School Rd, Liverpool, New York, pursuant to the provisions of the Election Law and rules of the County Committee, a quorum being present.

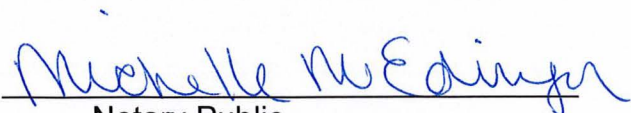
Kevin P Ryan residing at 213 Strathmore Dr., Syracuse, NY 13207; was recommended by a majority of said committee as a suitable and qualified person for appointment to the office of Commissioner of Elections, County of Onondaga, for the term beginning January 1, 2025, and that said designee is a registered voter of the County of Onondaga and a duly enrolled member of the Republican Party.

Dated at Syracuse, New York  
December 9, 2024

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Joseph G. Carni, Chairman

STATE OF NEW YORK    )  
COUNTY OF ONONDAGA) ss:  
CITY OF SYRACUSE     )

On this 9<sup>th</sup> day of December 2024 before me personally appeared Joseph G. Carni, personally known to me to be the Chairman described in the foregoing Certificate, and he duly acknowledged that he executed the same.

  
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Notary Public

MICHELLE M EDINGER  
Notary Public, State of New York  
Registration No. 01ED6373899  
Qualified in Onondaga County  
Commission Expires April 16, 2026

December 17, 2024

Motion Made By Mr. Burtis

RESOLUTION NO. 190

PERSONNEL RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the County to provide for changes to personnel; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the following personnel changes be and hereby are authorized, effective upon adoption of this resolution:

Onondaga County Legislature

Create Executive Assistant (L102451) at Grade 26 (\$46,057 - \$61,056)

Abolish Legislative Counsel (L109889) at Grade E06 (\$50,000)

and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Commissioner of Personnel is authorized to make any administrative corrections as may be reasonably needed to effectuate the intent of this resolution.

ADOPTED 12/17/2024



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Clerk, County Legislature



**DECEMBER 17, 2024  
SESSION**

**No. 190**

**LEGISLATORS**

**AYES:**

**NOES:**

**ABSENT:**

**EXCUSED:**

**7**

**8. RYAN**

**1. MAY**

**12. KNAPP**

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**14. KELLY**

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**11. McCARRON**

**3. BURTIS**

**TOTAL:**

**15**

**0**

**2**

**0**

December 17, 2024

Motion Made By Ms. Gunnip

RESOLUTION NO. 191

APPROVING AND DIRECTING THE CORRECTION OF CERTAIN ERRORS ON TAX BILLS

WHEREAS, the following named property owner has filed an application with the County Director of Real Property Tax Services for the correction of errors on the tax roll relative to their premises for tax year 2024, 2023, 2022, 2021, 2020 and 2019; and

WHEREAS, the County Director of Real Property Tax Services, acting as agent of this Legislature, which is the tax levying body of this County, has investigated the circumstances of the claimed errors and has submitted his recommendation that the applications for the corrections be approved; and

WHEREAS, Section 554 of the Real Property Tax Law prescribes the procedure for correction of clerical errors, errors in essential fact, and certain unlawful entries on tax rolls; and

WHEREAS, Section 556 of the Real Property Tax Law prescribes the manner in which refunds shall be charged back to the appropriate municipality; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the report of the County Director of Real Property Tax Services be and the same hereby is accepted; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of this Legislature be and he hereby is authorized and directed to mail a notice of approval to each applicant and order the collecting officers of the appropriate Towns or the Commissioner of Finance, as the case may be, to correct the respective taxes as follows:

<u>NAME AND ADDRESS OF APPLICANT</u>	<u>TAX MAP NUMBER</u>	<u>AMOUNT OF TAX BILLED</u>	<u>CORRECTED TAX</u>
<u>ONONDAGA</u> Martin Parker	314200 004.-01-32.0	\$4,055.83	0.00

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Clerk, County Legislature

**DECEMBER 17, 2024  
SESSION**

**No. 191**

**LEGISLATORS**

**AYES:**

**NOES:**

**ABSENT:**

**EXCUSED:**

**8**

**8. RYAN**

**1. MAY**

**12. KNAPP**

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**11. McCARRON**

**3. BURTIS**

**TOTAL:**

**15**

**0**

**2**

**0**

December 17, 2024

Motion Made By Ms. Gunnip

RESOLUTION NO. 192

2025 TOWN TAX RATES, FIXED, RATIFIED AND CONFIRMED

RESOLVED, that the tax rates for the ensuing fiscal year 2025 for the various Towns of the County of Onondaga be and they hereby are fixed and adopted according to the following schedule and that the Supervisors of the several towns be and they hereby are authorized and directed to cause to be extended the State, County, and Town Taxes in accordance with the following schedule and they be and hereby are ratified and confirmed:

		<u>Per Thousand</u>
<u>CAMILLUS</u>		
Town Inside	\$ 3.8290	
County Inside	<u>4.2650</u>	
Camillus – Inside (Camillus)		\$ 8.0940
Town Outside	\$ 3.9700	
County Outside	<u>4.2650</u>	
Camillus – Outside		\$ 8.2350
<u>CICERO</u>		
Town Inside	\$ .9629	
County Inside	<u>4.7081</u>	
Cicero – Inside (North Syracuse)		\$ 5.6710
Town Outside	\$ 3.3501	
County Outside	<u>4.7081</u>	
Cicero – Outside		\$ 8.0582
<u>CLAY</u>		
Town Inside	\$ 13.7851	
County Inside	<u>120.8114</u>	
Clay – Inside (North Syracuse)		\$ 134.5965
Town Outside	\$ 18.7948	
County Outside	<u>120.8114</u>	
Clay –Outside		\$ 139.6062
<u>DEWITT</u>		
Town Inside	\$ 2.8700	
County Inside	<u>3.3156</u>	
Dewitt – Inside (East Syracuse)		\$ 6.1856

Town Outside	\$ 2.8700	
County Outside	<u>3.3156</u>	
Dewitt – Outside		\$ 6.1856
<u>ELBRIDGE</u>		
Town Inside	\$ 1.9242	
County Inside	<u>3.3082</u>	
Elbridge- Inside (Jordan & Elbridge)		\$ 5.2324
Town Outside	\$ 3.3400	
County Outside	<u>3.3082</u>	
Elbridge – Outside		\$ 6.6482
<u>FABIUS</u>		
Town Inside	\$ 5.3067	
County Inside	<u>5.2590</u>	
Fabius – Inside (Fabius)		\$ 10.5657
Town Outside	\$ 5.4044	
County Outside	<u>5.2590</u>	
Fabius – Outside		\$ 10.6634
<u>GEDDES</u>		
Town Inside	\$ 2.2868	
County Inside	<u>5.7395</u>	
Geddes – Inside (Solvay)		\$ 8.0263
Town Outside	\$ 9.0465	
County Outside	<u>5.7395</u>	
Geddes – Outside		\$ 14.7860
<u>LAFAYETTE</u>		
Town	\$ 7.1821	
County	<u>5.5499</u>	
LaFayette		\$ 12.7320
<u>LYSANDER</u>		
Town Inside	\$ 0.4674	
County Inside	<u>4.1407</u>	
Lysander – Inside (Baldwinsville)		\$ 4.6081
Town Outside	\$ 0.5609	
County Outside	<u>4.1407</u>	

Lysander – Outside		\$ 4.7016
<u>MANLIUS</u>		
Town Inside	\$ 3.3947	
County Inside	<u>3.3031</u>	
Manlius – Inside (Fayetteville, Manlius, Minoa)		\$ 6.6978
Town Outside	\$ 3.4457	
County Outside	<u>3.3031</u>	
Manlius – Outside		\$ 6.7488
<u>MARCELLUS</u>		
Town Inside	\$ 3.3473	
County Inside	<u>4.5372</u>	
Marcellus – Inside (Marcellus)		\$ 7.8845
Town Outside	\$ 3.8575	
County Outside	<u>4.5372</u>	
Marcellus – Outside		\$ 8.3947
<u>ONONDAGA</u>		
Town	\$ 0.8433	
County	<u>5.1155</u>	
Onondaga		\$ 5.9588
<u>OTISCO</u>		
Town	\$ 304.2480	
County	<u>235.8455</u>	
Otisco		\$ 540.0935
<u>POMPEY</u>		
Town	\$ 2.6266	
County	<u>5.2631</u>	
Pompey		\$ 7.8897
<u>SALINA</u>		
Town Inside	\$ 1.9270	
County Inside	<u>4.1012</u>	
Salina – Inside (Liverpool)		\$ 6.0282
Town Outside	\$ 2.5520	
County Outside	<u>4.1012</u>	
Salina – Outside		\$ 6.6532

SKANEATELES

Town Inside	\$ 1.8665
County Inside	<u>5.7009</u>

Skaneateles – Inside (Skaneateles)	\$ 7.5674
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Town Outside	\$ 2.0662
County Outside	<u>5.7009</u>

Skaneateles – Outside	\$ 7.7671
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SPAFFORD

Town	\$ 0.9106
County	<u>3.3075</u>

Spafford	\$ 4.2181
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TULLY

Town Inside	\$ 3.0197
County Inside	<u>3.3434</u>

Tully – Inside (Tully)	\$ 6.3631
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Town Outside	\$ 3.1313
County Outside	<u>3.3434</u>

Tully – Outside	\$ 6.4747
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VAN BUREN

Town Inside	\$ 1.5163
County Inside	<u>4.1447</u>

Van Buren – Inside (Baldwinsville)	\$ 5.6610
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Town Outside	\$ 1.5163
County Outside	<u>4.1447</u>

Van Buren – Outside	\$ 5.6610
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Clerk, County Legislature

**DECEMBER 17, 2024  
SESSION**

**No. 192**

**LEGISLATORS**

**AYES:**

**NOES:**

**ABSENT:**

**EXCUSED:**

**9**

**8. RYAN**

**1. MAY**

**12. KNAPP**

**13. BUSH**

**14. KELLY**

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**10. OLSON**

**11. McCARRON**

**3. BURTIS**

**TOTAL:**

**15**

**0**

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**0**



December 17, 2024

Motion Made By Ms. Gunnip

RESOLUTION NO. 193

**SOUTHWOOD-JAMESVILLE WATER DISTRICT TAX – GENERAL APPORTIONMENT**

WHEREAS, there was set up a gross budget of \$10,562.13 for the Southwood-Jamesville Water District for the year 2025 for estimated maintenance costs, making a total estimated gross budget for the year 2025 of \$10,562.13, minus surplus of \$692, leaving a total estimated budget for the year 2025 of \$9,870.13; and

WHEREAS, it is provided by contract with the Onondaga County Water Authority and the law pertaining thereto that the Southwood-Jamesville Water District lying within the Towns of Dewitt and Onondaga shall reimburse the Onondaga County Water Authority for those expenditures; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the said amount of \$9,870.13 be and the same hereby is apportioned between the Southwood-Jamesville Water District areas lying within the Towns of Dewitt and Onondaga on the following parcel basis, namely: Five classes of properties and two categories of each class, namely: Category “A” and Category “B”, those that cannot be served. Classes are as follows:

Class 1	Lot up to and including (1) Acre
Class 2	1 Acre plus up to and including twenty acres
Class 3	21 Acres up to and including fifty acres
Class 4	51 Acres up to and including one hundred acres
Class 5	101 Acres and over

**RATES ARE AS FOLLOWS:**

Class 1-A	\$10.88	Class 3-A	\$20.46
Class 1-B	1.00	Class 3-B	3.00
Class 2-A	\$15.24	Class 4-A	\$34.15
Class 2-B	2.00	Class 4-B	4.00

and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the following sums be and hereby are approved as the apportionments as follows:

Town of Dewitt	\$3,258.06
Town of Onondaga	<u>6,612.07</u>
	\$9,870.13

and a certificate of such apportionment be certified by the Clerk of the County Legislature and filed with the Supervisors and Board of Assessors of the Towns of Dewitt and Onondaga; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town of Dewitt and the Town of Onondaga be and they are hereby directed to raise and pay the same by tax, contract or otherwise as approved by law.

ADOPTED 12/17/2024



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Clerk, County Legislature

**DECEMBER 17, 2024  
SESSION**

**No. 193**

**LEGISLATORS**

**AYES:**

**NOES:**

**ABSENT:**

**EXCUSED:**

**10**

**8. RYAN**

**1. MAY**

**12. KNAPP**

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**9. HARVEY**

**10. OLSON**

**11. McCARRON**

**3. BURTIS**

**TOTAL:**

**15**

**0**

**2**

**0**

December 17, 2024

Motion Made By Ms. Gunnip

RESOLUTION NO. 194

SOUTHWOOD-JAMESVILLE WATER DISTRICT TAX, TOWN OF DEWITT APPORTIONMENT

RESOLVED, that there be levied and assessed against the taxable property included in the Southwood-Jamesville Water District within the Town of Dewitt and against the property named on the tax roll for 2025 as being within the said Southwood-Jamesville Water District, the sum of \$3,258.06, said sum being for the payment of the apportionment of said Southwood-Jamesville Water District Tax in the Town of Dewitt; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Supervisor of the Town of Dewitt be and hereby is directed to extend or cause to be extended said sum against such property named on the tax roll for 2025 as being within the Southwood-Jamesville Water District in proportion to each respective assessment, said aggregate sum to be included in the Abstract of Taxes to be raised by the Town of Dewitt for the year 2025.

ADOPTED 12/17/2024



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Clerk, County Legislature

**DECEMBER 17, 2024  
SESSION**

**No. 194**

**LEGISLATORS**

**AYES:**

**NOES:**

**ABSENT:**

**EXCUSED:**

**11**

**8. RYAN**

**1. MAY**

**12. KNAPP**

**13. BUSH**

**14. KELLY**

**15. BROWN**

**16. GARLAND**

**17. HERNANDEZ**

**2. MEAKER**

**4. GUNNIP**

**5. CODY**

**6. ABBOTT**

**7. ROMEO**

**9. HARVEY**

**10. OLSON**

**11. McCARRON**

**3. BURTIS**

**TOTAL:**

**15**

**0**

**2**

**0**

December 17, 2024

Motion Made By Ms. Gunnip

RESOLUTION NO. 195

SOUTHWOOD-JAMESVILLE WATER DISTRICT TAX, TOWN OF ONONDAGA  
APPORTIONMENT

RESOLVED, that there be levied and assessed against the taxable property included in the Southwood-Jamesville Water District within the Town of Onondaga and against the property named on the tax roll for 2025 as being within the said Southwood-Jamesville Water District, the sum of \$6,612.07, said sum being for the payment of the apportionment of said Southwood-Jamesville Water District Tax in the Town of Onondaga; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Supervisor of the Town of Onondaga be and hereby is directed to extend or cause to be extended said sum against such property named on the tax roll for 2025 as being within the Southwood-Jamesville Water District in proportion to each respective assessment, said aggregate sum to be included in the Abstract of Taxes to be raised by the Town of Onondaga for the year 2025.

ADOPTED 12/17/2024



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Clerk, County Legislature

**DECEMBER 17, 2024  
SESSION**

**No. 195**

**LEGISLATORS**

**AYES:**

**NOES:**

**ABSENT:**

**EXCUSED:**

**12**

**8. RYAN**

**1. MAY**

**12. KNAPP**

**13. BUSH**

**14. KELLY**

**15. BROWN**

**16. GARLAND**

**17. HERNANDEZ**

**2. MEAKER**

**4. GUNNIP**

**5. CODY**

**6. ABBOTT**

**7. ROMEO**

**9. HARVEY**

**10. OLSON**

**11. McCARRON**

**3. BURTIS**

**TOTAL:**

**15**

**0**

**2**

**0**

December 17, 2024

Motion Made By Ms. Gunnip

RESOLUTION NO. 196

WARNERS WATER DISTRICT TAX – GENERAL APPORTIONMENT

WHEREAS, there was set up a budget of \$3,611.00 for the Warners Water District, of which \$0.00 was for estimated debt service and construction plus \$3,611.00 for estimated maintenance costs, making a total estimated budget of \$3,611.00 for the year 2025, minus surplus of \$9.00 leaving an estimated budget of \$3,602.00; and

WHEREAS, it is provided by contract with the Onondaga County Water Authority and the law pertaining thereto that the Warners Water District area lying within the Towns of Camillus and Van Buren shall reimburse the Onondaga County Water Authority for these expenditures; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the said amount of \$3,602.00 be and the same hereby is apportioned between the Warners Water District area lying within the Towns of Camillus and Van Buren according to the equalized value of the real property in the said Towns of Camillus and Van Buren appearing on the assessment rolls as situated within the respective limits of such water district as follows:

Town of Camillus	\$1,681.94
Town of Van Buren	<u>1,920.06</u>
	\$3,602.00

and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the following sums be and hereby are approved as the apportionment for the Warners Water District as follows:

Town of Camillus	\$1,681.94
Town of Van Buren	<u>1,920.06</u>
	\$3,602.00

and a certificate of such apportionment be certified by the Clerk of the County Legislature and filed with the Supervisors and Board of Assessors of the Towns of Camillus and Van Buren; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Towns of Camillus and Van Buren be and they hereby are directed to raise and pay the same by tax, contract or otherwise as provided by Article 11-A, Section 11.70 of the Onondaga County Administrative Code.

ADOPTED 12/17/2024



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Clerk, County Legislature

**DECEMBER 17, 2024  
SESSION**

**No. 196**

**LEGISLATORS**

**AYES:**

**NOES:**

**ABSENT:**

**EXCUSED:**

**13**

**8. RYAN**

**1. MAY**

**12. KNAPP**

**13. BUSH**

**14. KELLY**

**15. BROWN**

**16. GARLAND**

**17. HERNANDEZ**

**2. MEAKER**

**4. GUNNIP**

**5. CODY**

**6. ABBOTT**

**7. ROMEO**

**9. HARVEY**

**10. OLSON**

**11. McCARRON**

**3. BURTIS**

**TOTAL:**

**15**

**0**

**2**

**0**



December 17, 2024

Motion Made By Ms. Gunnip

RESOLUTION NO. 197

WARNERS WATER DISTRICT TAX, TOWN OF CAMILLUS APPORTIONMENT

RESOLVED, that there be levied and assessed against the taxable property included in the Warners Water District within the Town of Camillus and against the property named on the tax roll for 2025 as being within the said Warners Water District, the sum of \$1,681.94, said sum being for the payment of the apportionment of said Warners Water District Tax in the Town of Camillus; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Supervisor of the Town of Camillus be and hereby is directed to extend or cause to be extended said sum against such property named on the tax roll for 2025 as being within the Warners Water District in proportion to each respective assessment, said aggregate sum to be included in the Abstract of Taxes to be raised by the Town of Camillus for the year 2025.

ADOPTED 12/17/2024



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Clerk, County Legislature

**DECEMBER 17, 2024  
SESSION**

**No. 197**

**LEGISLATORS**

**AYES:**

**NOES:**

**ABSENT:**

**EXCUSED:**

**14**

**8. RYAN**

**1. MAY**

**12. KNAPP**

**13. BUSH**

**14. KELLY**

**15. BROWN**

**16. GARLAND**

**17. HERNANDEZ**

**2. MEAKER**

**4. GUNNIP**

**5. CODY**

**6. ABBOTT**

**7. ROMEO**

**9. HARVEY**

**10. OLSON**

**11. McCARRON**

**3. BURTIS**

**TOTAL:**

**15**

**0**

**2**

**0**

December 17, 2024

Motion Made By Ms. Gunnip

RESOLUTION NO. 198

WARNERS WATER DISTRICT TAX, TOWN OF VAN BUREN APPORTIONMENT

RESOLVED, that there be levied and assessed against the taxable property included in the Warners Water District within the Town of Van Buren and against the property named on the tax roll for 2025 as being within the said Warners Water District, the sum of \$1,920.06, said sum being for the payment of the apportionment of said Warners Water District Tax in the Town of Van Buren; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Supervisor of the Town of Van Buren be and hereby is directed to extend or cause to be extended said sum against such property named on the tax roll for 2025 as being within the Warners Water District in proportion to each respective assessment, said aggregate sum to be included in the Abstract of Taxes to be raised by the Town of Van Buren for the year 2025.

ADOPTED 12/17/2024



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Clerk, County Legislature

**DECEMBER 17, 2024  
SESSION**

**No. 198**

**LEGISLATORS**

**AYES:**

**NOES:**

**ABSENT:**

**EXCUSED:**

**15**

**8. RYAN**

**1. MAY**

**12. KNAPP**

**13. BUSH**

**14. KELLY**

**15. BROWN**

**16. GARLAND**

**17. HERNANDEZ**

**2. MEAKER**

**4. GUNNIP**

**5. CODY**

**6. ABBOTT**

**7. ROMEO**

**9. HARVEY**

**10. OLSON**

**11. McCARRON**

**3. BURTIS**

**TOTAL:**

**15**

**0**

**2**

**0**

December 17, 2024

Motion Made By Ms. Gunnip

RESOLUTION NO. 199

AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY COMPTROLLER TO TRANSFER 2024 UNENCUMBERED  
APPROPRIATIONS AND APPROPRIATE REVENUE AFTER EXPIRATION OF THE 2024 FISCAL  
YEAR UPON APPROVAL OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE  
WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, from time to time County departments are subject to fluctuating costs for programs, goods or services because of vendor invoicing errors, imperfect cost projections, public emergencies, and other unforeseen events; and

WHEREAS, some fluctuating costs and collected revenues may, from time to time, exceed the adopted budget as modified appropriation and revenue accounts; and

WHEREAS, generally accepted accounting principles require that all material costs incurred in a fiscal year must be accounted for in that fiscal year's financial reports; and

WHEREAS, it is highly desirable to adjust the control appropriation accounts in order to prevent negative balances and comply with New York State Law; and

WHEREAS, the issuance of wholly accurate annual financial statements is not achievable without all necessary budget modifications; and

WHEREAS, it is highly desirable to adjust the affected appropriation accounts as soon after year-end as reasonably possible, thereby permitting the timely issuance of the annual financial reports; and

WHEREAS, the County's ability to obtain favorable borrowing rates is enhanced by the timely issuance of annual financial statements; and

WHEREAS, it is generally necessary to obtain legislative approval for transfer transactions which exceed \$7,500, to appropriate excess revenue and to appropriate fund balance; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to authorize the adjustment to correct for negative account balances as provided for herein; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the County Legislature authorizes the County Comptroller, upon the approval of the County Executive and the Chairperson of the Ways and Means Committee, to transfer 2024 unencumbered appropriation account balances between and among all Countywide appropriation accounts, to appropriate excess revenue and to appropriate fund balance to all Countywide appropriation accounts; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that a record of such transfers be prepared by the Comptroller's Office and presented to the Chairperson of the Ways & Means Committee for review and approval following the closure of the County's 2024 financial records and that such report shall be presented to all members of the Ways and Means Committee within 15 days of closure of said financial records; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Comptroller and Finance Department Division of Management and Budget will respond, in writing, to the Chairperson of the Ways and Means Committee regarding any item of transfer requiring an explanation; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the terms and conditions of this resolution shall begin on December 17, 2024 and lapse on April 30, 2025, but may however, be renewed for each succeeding fiscal year by an act of this Legislature.

ADOPTED 12/17/2024



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Clerk, County Legislature

**DECEMBER 17, 2024  
SESSION**

**No. 199**

**LEGISLATORS**

**AYES:**

**NOES:**

**ABSENT:**

**EXCUSED:**

**16**

**8. RYAN**

**1. MAY**

**12. KNAPP**

**13. BUSH**

**14. KELLY**

**15. BROWN**

**16. GARLAND**

**17. HERNANDEZ**

**2. MEAKER**

**4. GUNNIP**

**5. CODY**

**6. ABBOTT**

**7. ROMEO**

**9. HARVEY**

**10. OLSON**

**11. McCARRON**

**3. BURTIS**

**TOTAL:**

**15**

**0**

**2**

**0**

December 17, 2024

Motion Made By Ms. Gunnip

RESOLUTION NO. 200

AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY COMPTROLLER, UPON APPROVAL OF THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT DIVISION OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET AND THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE'S OFFICE, TO TRANSFER 2024 UNENCUMBERED APPROPRIATION ACCOUNT BALANCES IN EXCESS OF \$7,500 INTO, BETWEEN, AND AMONG ALL INTERDEPARTMENTAL CHARGEBACK APPROPRIATION ACCOUNTS AND ADJUST THE CORRESPONDING INTERDEPARTMENTAL REVENUE ACCOUNTS

WHEREAS, the County operates a full interdepartmental chargeback system to fully account for all costs of each department and program to maximize all Federal, State, and other aid available; and

WHEREAS, these cost allocations are prepared approximately eighteen months prior to the end of the fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, these charges are subject to fluctuations in costs within the provider department's budget which affects the Countywide departmental allocations; and

WHEREAS, generally accepted accounting principles require that all material costs incurred in a fiscal year must be accounted for in the fiscal year's financial reports; and

WHEREAS, it is highly desirable to adjust the interdepartmental chargeback control appropriation accounts and adjust the corresponding interdepartmental revenue accounts in order to prevent negative balances and comply with New York State Law; and

WHEREAS, the issuance of wholly accurate annual financial statements is not achievable without all necessary budget modifications; and

WHEREAS, it is highly desirable to adjust the affected appropriation accounts as soon after year-end as reasonably possible, thereby permitting the timely issuance of the annual financial reports; and

WHEREAS, the County's ability to obtain favorable borrowing rates is enhanced by the timely issuance of annual financial statements; and

WHEREAS, it is generally necessary to obtain legislative approval for transfer transactions which exceed \$7,500; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to authorize the transfer as provided for herein; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the County Legislature authorizes the County Comptroller, upon the approval of the Finance Department Division of Management and Budget, the County Executive's Office, and the Chairperson of the Ways and Means Committee of this Legislature to transfer 2024 unencumbered appropriation account balances in excess of \$7,500 into, between, and among all Countywide Interdepartmental Chargeback appropriation accounts and adjust the corresponding interdepartmental revenue accounts; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that a record of such transfers and adjustments be prepared by the Finance Department Division of Management and Budget, and such record of transfers be issued to the Clerk of the County



Legislature, with a copy to the members of the Ways and Means Committee, following the closure of the County's 2024 financial records; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the terms and conditions of this resolution shall begin on December 17, 2024, and lapse on April 30, 2025, but may however, be renewed for each succeeding fiscal year by an act of this Legislature. Examples of these accounts are as follows:

<u>Account</u>	<u>Account Name</u>
691200	Employee Benefits
694950	Interdepartmental Charges
699690	Transfer to Debt Service
668520-668800	Interfund Transfers
590060	Interdepartmental Revenue
590070-590071	Interfund Transfers

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Clerk, County Legislature

**DECEMBER 17, 2024  
SESSION**

**No. 200**

**LEGISLATORS**

**AYES:**

**NOES:**

**ABSENT:**

**EXCUSED:**

**17**

**8. RYAN**

**1. MAY**

**12. KNAPP**

**13. BUSH**

**14. KELLY**

**15. BROWN**

**16. GARLAND**

**17. HERNANDEZ**

**2. MEAKER**

**4. GUNNIP**

**5. CODY**

**6. ABBOTT**

**7. ROMEO**

**9. HARVEY**

**10. OLSON**

**11. McCARRON**

**3. BURTIS**

**TOTAL:**

**15**

**0**

**2**

**0**

December 17, 2024

Motion Made By Ms. Cody

RESOLUTION NO. 201

AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO ENTER INTO A FIVE YEAR AGREEMENT  
WITH THE STATE OF NEW YORK FOR SNOW AND ICE CONTROL ON STATE HIGHWAYS  
FOR THE 2024-2029 SEASONS

WHEREAS, the execution of agreements for the plowing of State roads by County forces during the 2019-2024 season was authorized by Resolution No. 14-2020; and

WHEREAS, said agreement was amended commencing in the 2021-2022 season to include an additional 3.68 lane miles, for a new total of 407.68 lane miles and a new estimated annual base amount of \$3,982,023.58, as authorized by Resolution No. 41-2022; and

WHEREAS, the New York State contract is now extended for an additional five year term starting with the 2024-2025 season and ending with the 2028-2029 season; and

WHEREAS, the estimated annual base amount of the contract for snow and ice control during each of the 2024-2029 seasons is \$4,717,185, and it is the desire of this Legislature to authorize said contract; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Onondaga County Executive hereby is authorized to enter into agreements with the State of New York to provide for the control of snow and ice on state highways in the estimated annual base amount of \$4,717,185 per season, and to implement the intent of this resolution.

ADOPTED 12/17/2024



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Clerk, County Legislature

**DECEMBER 17, 2024  
SESSION**

**No. 201**

**LEGISLATORS**

**AYES:**

**NOES:**

**ABSENT:**

**EXCUSED:**

**18**

**8. RYAN**

**1. MAY**

**12. KNAPP**

**13. BUSH**

**14. KELLY**

**15. BROWN**

**16. GARLAND**

**17. HERNANDEZ**

**2. MEAKER**

**4. GUNNIP**

**5. CODY**

**6. ABBOTT**

**7. ROMEO**

**9. HARVEY**

**10. OLSON**

**11. McCARRON**

**3. BURTIS**

**TOTAL:**

**15**

**0**

**2**

**0**

December 17, 2024

Motion Made By Ms. Cody

RESOLUTION NO. 202

**AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO AMEND A FIVE YEAR AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF NEW YORK FOR SNOW AND ICE CONTROL ON STATE HIGHWAYS FOR THE 2024-2029 SEASONS TO INCREASE THE 2024-2025 SEASON ESTIMATE AND AMENDING THE 2025 COUNTY BUDGET ACCORDINGLY**

WHEREAS, Onondaga County entered into a five year agreement with New York State for snow and ice control on state highways for the 2019-2024 seasons with an estimated annual base amount of \$3,946,079.10, as authorized by Resolution No. 14-2020; and

WHEREAS, said agreement was amended commencing in the 2021-2022 season to include an additional 3.68 lane miles, for a new total of 407.68 lane miles and a new estimated annual base amount of \$3,982,023.58, as authorized by Resolution No. 41-2022; and

WHEREAS, the New York State contract is now extended for an additional five year term starting with the 2024-2025 season and ending with the 2028-2029 season with an estimated annual base amount of \$4,717,185, as authorized by Resolution No. 202-2024; and

WHEREAS, due to increases in cost for labor, materials and equipment in the 2024-2025 snow season, it is necessary to increase the estimated 2024-2025 season amount to \$5,339,023; and

WHEREAS, the State Comptroller has requested legislation authorizing an amendment to such agreement in accordance herewith, and it is the desire of this Legislature to authorize said amendment; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the County Executive is hereby authorized to amend the agreement with New York State to provide for the control of snow and ice on state highways in the estimated amount of \$5,339,023 for the 2024-2025 season, and to implement the intent of this resolution; and, be it further

RESOLVED that the 2025 County budget be amended by providing and making available the following:

**APPROPRIATIONS:**

In Admin Unit 9310300000

County Road Fund

Speed Type #534030

In Acct. 641010 Regular Salaries

\$440,000.00

In Acct. 693000 Supplies & Materials- Salt

\$391,998.00

**REVENUES:**

In Admin Unit 9310300000

County Road Fund

Speed Type #534030

In Acct. 590044 Svc Other Govts – Transportation

\$831,998.00

ADOPTED 12/17/2024



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Clerk, County Legislature

**DECEMBER 17, 2024  
SESSION**

**No. 202**

**LEGISLATORS**

**AYES:**

**NOES:**

**ABSENT:**

**EXCUSED:**

**19**

**8. RYAN**

**1. MAY**

**12. KNAPP**

**13. BUSH**

**14. KELLY**

**15. BROWN**

**16. GARLAND**

**17. HERNANDEZ**

**2. MEAKER**

**4. GUNNIP**

**5. CODY**

**6. ABBOTT**

**7. ROMEO**

**9. HARVEY**

**10. OLSON**

**11. McCARRON**

**3. BURTIS**

**TOTAL:**

**15**

**0**

**2**

**0**

December 17, 2024

Motion Made By Ms. Cody

RESOLUTION NO. 203

AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF SURPLUS COUNTY PROPERTY CONSISTING OF A PORTION  
OF KINNE STREET, C.R. NO. 71, IN THE TOWN OF DEWITT TO ROGER E. SALLE AND THE  
CONCOMITANT DISCONTINUANCE AND REMOVAL THEREOF FROM THE COUNTY ROAD  
SYSTEM

WHEREAS, a portion of Kinne Street, County Road 71 (C.R. 71), located in the Town of Dewitt adjacent to 6745 – 6751 Kinne Street, is a dead-end and rather isolated section of surplus County roadway (the “Property”); and

WHEREAS, Roger E. Salle, the owner of such adjacent properties, has expressed an interest in purchasing the Property for \$6,000, as set forth below, for commercial/industrial purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Onondaga County Department of Transportation has declared the Property as surplus and not needed for County purposes, finds the purchase price fair and reasonable, and it is the desire of this Legislature to authorize the sale of said Property to Roger E. Salle; and

WHEREAS, an analysis of the potential environmental impacts of the proposed action has been undertaken pursuant to the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA); now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that an Environmental Assessment Form (EAF) has been prepared and reviewed and is on file with the Clerk of the Legislature; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the EAF prepared by the County and filed with this Legislature is satisfactory with respect to scope, content and adequacy in conformance with SEQRA, and is hereby accepted and adopted by the County; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that this Onondaga County Legislature does hereby accept and adopt the Negative Declaration, prepared in accordance with Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law, for the Unlisted Action and has determined that such will not have a significant adverse impact on the environment; and, be it further

RESOLVED, the County Executive is hereby authorized to transfer to Roger E. Salle said Property for a consideration of \$6,000.00 and to execute deeds, agreements, and such other documents as may be necessary to implement the intent of this resolution; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that this Onondaga County Legislature is satisfied that it is for the interest of the County to discontinue, and hereby discontinues and removes, the Property, as generally described below, from the County road system:

ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND, situate in the Town of Dewitt, County of Onondaga and State of New York, bounded and described as follows: Commencing at a point on the westerly highway boundary of Kinne Street (County Route 71), at the intersection of said highway boundary with the division line between the property of Roger E. Salle (Reputed Owner) on the south and Oliva Properties LLC (Reputed Owner) on the north: thence along said highway boundary South 4°01’19” East, a distance of 34.59± feet to the point of beginning, and being 54.19± feet distant westerly measured at right angles, from

station 13+16.17 of the hereinafter described survey baseline: thence continuing along said highway boundary South 4°01'19" East, a distance of 176.20± feet to a point on the 1955 Highway Boundary of NYS Route 298 (Syracuse – Bridgeport, Part 1, State Highway No. 672), thence along said 1955 highway boundary, North 86°00'48" East, a distance of 49.67± feet to a point on the 1977 Highway Boundary of NYS Route 298 (Syracuse – Bridgeport, Part 1, State Highway No 672), thence along said 1977 highway boundary North 4°08'53" West, a distance of 73.41± feet to a point: Thence through the bed of Kinne Street (County Route 71) the following four courses and distance: (1) North 42°19'22" West, a distance of 10.54± feet to a point; and (2) North 35°01'17" West, a distance of 32.16 feet to a point; and (3) North 29°05'44" West, a distance of 41.30 feet to a point; and (4) North 21°31'50" West, a distance of 29.60± feet to the point of beginning of the westerly highway boundary of Kinne Street; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that upon such transfer, the Commissioner of the Onondaga County Department of Transportation, pursuant to and in accordance with Section 115 of the Highway Law, shall amend the map of the County road system in accordance with this Resolution and shall file such amended map in the County Clerk's Office.

ADOPTED 12/17/2024



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SESSION**

**No. 203**

**LEGISLATORS**

**AYES:**

**NOES:**

**ABSENT:**

**EXCUSED:**

**20**

**8. RYAN**

**1. MAY**

**12. KNAPP**

**13. BUSH**

**14. KELLY**

**15. BROWN**

**16. GARLAND**

**17. HERNANDEZ**

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# Short Environmental Assessment Form

## Part 1 - Project Information


### Instructions for Completing

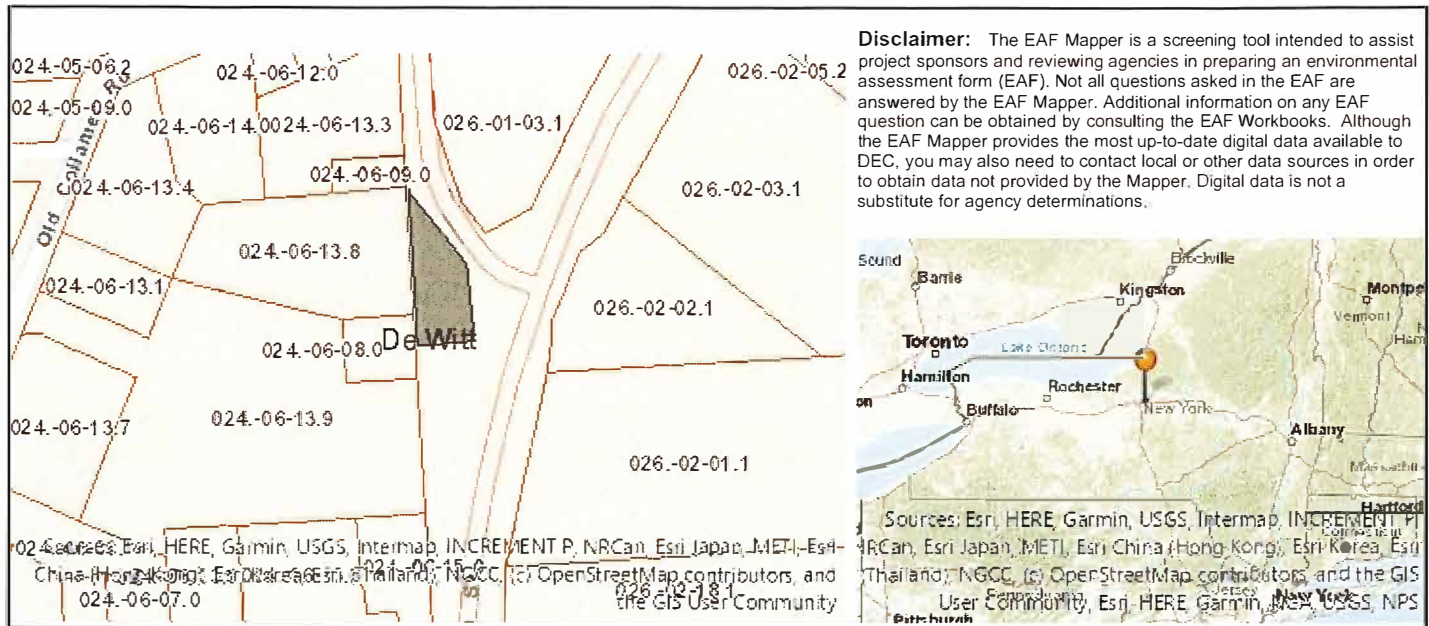
**Part 1 – Project Information.** The applicant or project sponsor is responsible for the completion of Part 1. Responses become part of the application for approval or funding, are subject to public review, and may be subject to further verification. Complete Part 1 based on information currently available. If additional research or investigation would be needed to fully respond to any item, please answer as thoroughly as possible based on current information.

Complete all items in Part 1. You may also provide any additional information which you believe will be needed by or useful to the lead agency; attach additional pages as necessary to supplement any item.

<b>Part 1 – Project and Sponsor Information</b>			
Name of Action or Project: Sale of surplus County highway property			
Project Location (describe, and attach a location map): 6745-6751 Kinne Street, Dewitt, NY			
Brief Description of Proposed Action: Sale of surplus roadway/highway property (approx 5,831 sq ft) to adjoining owner (Roger Salle)			
Name of Applicant or Sponsor:  Martin Voss - Commissioner of OCDOT		Telephone: 315-435-3205  E-Mail: martinvoss@ongov.net	
Address:  6230 East Molloy Road			
City/PO: East Syracuse		State: NY	Zip Code: 13057
1. Does the proposed action only involve the legislative adoption of a plan, local law, ordinance, administrative rule, or regulation? If Yes, attach a narrative description of the intent of the proposed action and the environmental resources that may be affected in the municipality and proceed to Part 2. If no, continue to question 2.		NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	YES <input type="checkbox"/>
2. Does the proposed action require a permit, approval or funding from any other government Agency? If Yes, list agency(s) name and permit or approval:		NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	YES <input type="checkbox"/>
3. a. Total acreage of the site of the proposed action?		0.134 acres	
b. Total acreage to be physically disturbed?		0 acres	
c. Total acreage (project site and any contiguous properties) owned or controlled by the applicant or project sponsor?		0.134 acres	
4. Check all land uses that occur on, are adjoining or near the proposed action:			
5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Urban <input type="checkbox"/> Rural (non-agriculture) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Residential (suburban) <input type="checkbox"/> Forest <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture <input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic <input type="checkbox"/> Other(Specify): <input type="checkbox"/> Parkland			

5. Is the proposed action,	NO	YES	N/A
a. A permitted use under the zoning regulations?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Consistent with the adopted comprehensive plan?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Is the proposed action consistent with the predominant character of the existing built or natural landscape?	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
7. Is the site of the proposed action located in, or does it adjoin, a state listed Critical Environmental Area? If Yes, identify: _____	NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	
8. a. Will the proposed action result in a substantial increase in traffic above present levels?	NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	
b. Are public transportation services available at or near the site of the proposed action?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
c. Are any pedestrian accommodations or bicycle routes available on or near the site of the proposed action?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
9. Does the proposed action meet or exceed the state energy code requirements? If the proposed action will exceed requirements, describe design features and technologies: _____ _____	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
10. Will the proposed action connect to an existing public/private water supply? If No, describe method for providing potable water: _____ n/a roadway _____	NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	
11. Will the proposed action connect to existing wastewater utilities? If No, describe method for providing wastewater treatment: _____ n/a roadway _____	NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	
12. a. Does the project site contain, or is it substantially contiguous to, a building, archaeological site, or district which is listed on the National or State Register of Historic Places, or that has been determined by the Commissioner of the NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation to be eligible for listing on the State Register of Historic Places?	NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	
b. Is the project site, or any portion of it, located in or adjacent to an area designated as sensitive for archaeological sites on the NY State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) archaeological site inventory?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
13. a. Does any portion of the site of the proposed action, or lands adjoining the proposed action, contain wetlands or other waterbodies regulated by a federal, state or local agency?	NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	
b. Would the proposed action physically alter, or encroach into, any existing wetland or waterbody?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
If Yes, identify the wetland or waterbody and extent of alterations in square feet or acres: _____ _____ _____			

14. Identify the typical habitat types that occur on, or are likely to be found on the project site. Check all that apply: <input type="checkbox"/> Shoreline <input type="checkbox"/> Forest <input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural/grasslands <input type="checkbox"/> Early mid-successional <input type="checkbox"/> Wetland <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Urban <input type="checkbox"/> Suburban		
15. Does the site of the proposed action contain any species of animal, or associated habitats, listed by the State or Federal government as threatened or endangered? Indiana Bat, Bald Eagle	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
16. Is the project site located in the 100-year flood plan?	NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	YES <input type="checkbox"/>
17. Will the proposed action create storm water discharge, either from point or non-point sources? If Yes,	NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	YES <input type="checkbox"/>
a. Will storm water discharges flow to adjacent properties?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Will storm water discharges be directed to established conveyance systems (runoff and storm drains)? If Yes, briefly describe:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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18. Does the proposed action include construction or other activities that would result in the impoundment of water or other liquids (e.g., retention pond, waste lagoon, dam)? If Yes, explain the purpose and size of the impoundment:	NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	YES <input type="checkbox"/>
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19. Has the site of the proposed action or an adjoining property been the location of an active or closed solid waste management facility? If Yes, describe:	NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	YES <input type="checkbox"/>
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20. Has the site of the proposed action or an adjoining property been the subject of remediation (ongoing or completed) for hazardous waste? If Yes, describe:	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<hr/> <hr/>		
<b>I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION PROVIDED ABOVE IS TRUE AND ACCURATE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE</b>		
Applicant/sponsor/name: <u>Martin Voss</u> Date: <u>12/5/24</u>		
Signature: <u></u> Title: <u>Commissioner - OCDOT</u>		



Part 1 / Question 7 [Critical Environmental Area]	No
Part 1 / Question 12a [National or State Register of Historic Places or State Eligible Sites]	No
Part 1 / Question 12b [Archeological Sites]	No
Part 1 / Question 13a [Wetlands or Other Regulated Waterbodies]	No
Part 1 / Question 15 [Threatened or Endangered Animal]	Yes
Part 1 / Question 15 [Threatened or Endangered Animal - Name]	Indiana Bat, Bald Eagle
Part 1 / Question 16 [100 Year Flood Plain]	No
Part 1 / Question 20 [Remediation Site]	Yes

Project: Kinne St Sale

Date: 12/5/24

## *Short Environmental Assessment Form*

### *Part 2 - Impact Assessment*

**Part 2 is to be completed by the Lead Agency.**

Answer all of the following questions in Part 2 using the information contained in Part 1 and other materials submitted by the project sponsor or otherwise available to the reviewer. When answering the questions the reviewer should be guided by the concept "Have my responses been reasonable considering the scale and context of the proposed action?"

	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
1. Will the proposed action create a material conflict with an adopted land use plan or zoning regulations?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Will the proposed action result in a change in the use or intensity of use of land?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Will the proposed action impair the character or quality of the existing community?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Will the proposed action have an impact on the environmental characteristics that caused the establishment of a Critical Environmental Area (CEA)?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Will the proposed action result in an adverse change in the existing level of traffic or affect existing infrastructure for mass transit, biking or walkway?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Will the proposed action cause an increase in the use of energy and it fails to incorporate reasonably available energy conservation or renewable energy opportunities?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Will the proposed action impact existing:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
a. public / private water supplies?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. public / private wastewater treatment utilities?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Will the proposed action impair the character or quality of important historic, archaeological, architectural or aesthetic resources?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Will the proposed action result in an adverse change to natural resources (e.g., wetlands, waterbodies, groundwater, air quality, flora and fauna)?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. Will the proposed action result in an increase in the potential for erosion, flooding or drainage problems?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. Will the proposed action create a hazard to environmental resources or human health?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Project: Kinne St Sale

Date: 12/5/24

### Short Environmental Assessment Form

#### Part 3 Determination of Significance

For every question in Part 2 that was answered "moderate to large impact may occur", or if there is a need to explain why a particular element of the proposed action may or will not result in a significant adverse environmental impact, please complete Part 3. Part 3 should, in sufficient detail, identify the impact, including any measures or design elements that have been included by the project sponsor to avoid or reduce impacts. Part 3 should also explain how the lead agency determined that the impact may or will not be significant. Each potential impact should be assessed considering its setting, probability of occurring, duration, irreversibility, geographic scope and magnitude. Also consider the potential for short-term, long-term and cumulative impacts.

The County of Onondaga is proposing to sell approximately 5,831 sq ft of surplus County highway property in the Town of Dewitt, identified as a portion of the Kinne Street ROW in the vicinity of 6741-6751 Kinne Street, a County road, as shown on the attached Map. The proposed action involves only the transfer of surplus County highway property to the adjoining owner for use thereof. As such, the County issues this negative declaration for purposes of Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law because the sale of the property is an Unlisted Action which will not result in any significant adverse environmental impacts.

☐ Check this box if you have determined, based on the information and analysis above, and any supporting documentation, that the proposed action may result in one or more potentially large or significant adverse impacts and an environmental impact statement is required.

☒ Check this box if you have determined, based on the information and analysis above, and any supporting documentation, that the proposed action will not result in any significant adverse environmental impacts.

Onondaga County - OCDOT

12/5/24

Name of Lead Agency

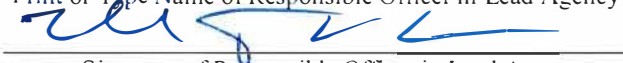
Date

Martin Voss

Commissioner

Print or Type Name of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency

Title of Responsible Officer



Signature of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency

Signature of Preparer (if different from Responsible Officer)

PRINT FORM



December 17, 2024

WAIVER

Motion Made By Ms. Cody

RESOLUTION NO. 204

CONFIRMING APPOINTMENTS TO THE ONONDAGA COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

WHEREAS, J. Ryan McMahon, II, Onondaga County Executive, has duly appointed and designated pursuant to Section 6306 of the New York State Education Law, Section 1903 of the Onondaga County Charter and Section 24.01 of the Onondaga County Administrative Code, subject to confirmation by the Onondaga County Legislature, the following individuals as members of the Onondaga Community College Board of Trustees:

APPOINTMENTS:

Paul Mello  
4874 Breckenridge Run  
Syracuse, New York 13215

TERM EXPIRES:

June 30, 2025

Haji A. Adan  
610 North Avenue  
Syracuse, New York 13206

June 30, 2031

WHEREAS, it is the desire of this Legislature to confirm said appointments; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Onondaga County Legislature does hereby confirm the appointments of the above individuals as members of the Onondaga Community College Board of Trustees for the term specified above or until subsequent action by the County Executive.

ADOPTED 12/17/2024



I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of the legislation duly adopted by the County Legislature of Onondaga County on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of December 2024.

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Clerk, County Legislature



**DECEMBER 17, 2024  
SESSION**

**No. 204**

**LEGISLATORS**

**AYES:**

**NOES:**

**ABSENT:**

**EXCUSED:**

**21a**

**8. RYAN**

**1. MAY**

**12. KNAPP**

**13. BUSH**

**14. KELLY**

**15. BROWN**

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**11. McCARRON**

**3. BURTIS**

**TOTAL:**

**15**

**0**

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**0**

*Ms. Cody requested a waiver to present the following resolution. There was no objection, and the waiver was granted.*

December 17, 2024

Motion Made By Ms. Abbott, Mr. Bush

RESOLUTION NO. 205

CONFIRMING REAPPOINTMENT TO THE ONONDAGA COUNTY RESOURCE RECOVERY  
AGENCY

WHEREAS, the County Executive, J. Ryan McMahon, II, has duly reappointed and designated pursuant to Title 13B, as amended, of the New York State Public Authorities Law §2405-c, subject to confirmation by the Onondaga County Legislature, the following individual as a member of the Onondaga County Resource Recovery Agency:

APPOINTMENT:

Gregory S. Popps  
135 Skyview Terrace  
Syracuse, New York 13219

TERM EXPIRES:

December 31, 2027

WHEREAS, it is the desire of this Legislature to confirm said reappointment; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Onondaga County Legislature does hereby confirm the reappointment of the above individual as a member of the Onondaga County Resource Recovery Agency for the term specified above.

ADOPTED 12/17/2024



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**DECEMBER 17, 2024  
SESSION**

**No. 205**

**LEGISLATORS**

**AYES:**

**NOES:**

**ABSENT:**

**EXCUSED:**

**22**

**8. RYAN**

**1. MAY**

**12. KNAPP**

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**3. BURTIS**

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December 3, 2024

Motion Made By Ms. Abbott, Mr. Bush

RESOLUTION NO. 206

AMENDING THE 2024 ONONDAGA COUNTY BUDGET TO ACCEPT NEW YORK STATE  
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION ENVIRONMENTAL BENEFIT  
PROJECT FUNDING

WHEREAS, in accordance with and pursuant to Resolution No. 72 – 2023, BP Products North America Inc. (“BP”) and Buckeye Pipe Line Company, LP. (“Buckeye”), by and through the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (“DEC”) and its Environmental Benefit Project (“EBP”) program, shall pay the County of Onondaga funding in the amount of \$1,000,000, with the remaining \$500,000 payable to the Onondaga County Soil and Water Conservation District for water chestnut invasive species removals, to fund DEC-approved EBP projects and activities that benefit the environment and natural resources in areas within the jurisdiction of DEC Region 7 and in accordance with DEC’s CP-37 / Environmental Benefit Policy; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to include such funds in the Onondaga County Office of the Environment’s 2024 budget and authorize the execution of agreements; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the County Executive is authorized to execute agreements and such other documents as may be reasonably necessary to implement the intent of this resolution; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the 2024 County budget be amended as follows:

REVENUES:

In Admin Unit 3600000000  
Office of the Environment  
Speed Type #191015  
Project 721009  
Environmental Benefit Project  
In Acct. 590028  
St Aid – Home & Comm Svc \$1,000,000

APPROPRIATIONS:

In Admin Unit 3600000000  
Office of the Environment  
Speed Type #191015  
Environmental Benefit Project  
In Acct. 695700  
Contractual Services \$1,000,000

ADOPTED 12/17/2024



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**DECEMBER 17, 2024  
SESSION**

**No. 206**

**LEGISLATORS**

**AYES:**

**NOES:**

**ABSENT:**

**EXCUSED:**

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**3. BURTIS**

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*Mr. Bush requested to  
be added as a cosponsor.*

December 17, 2024

Motion Made By Ms. Abbott

RESOLUTION NO. 207

2024 TRANSFER RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, that the following transfers be made:

<u>FROM:</u>	<u>TO:</u>	<u>AMOUNT:</u>
Admin Unit 3300000000	Admin Unit 3300000000	
Water Environment Protection	Water Environment Protection	
Speed Type #484040	Speed Type #484040	
Acct. 641010	Acct. 694100	
Regular Employee Salaries	All Other Expenses	\$600,000
 Admin Unit 3300000000	 Admin Unit 3300000000	
Water Environment Protection	Water Environment Protection	
Speed Type #484010	Speed Type #484040	
Acct. 641010	Acct. 694100	
Regular Employee Salaries	All Other Expenses	\$400,000

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**DECEMBER 17, 2024  
SESSION**

**No. 207**

**LEGISLATORS**

**AYES:**

**NOES:**

**ABSENT:**

**EXCUSED:**

**24**

**8. RYAN**

**1. MAY**

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LOCAL LAW NO. \_\_\_\_\_ - 2024

A LOCAL LAW AUTHORIZING THE LEASE OF COUNTY PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE  
COUNTY OF ONONDAGA TO BELL ATLANTIC MOBILE SYSTEMS LLC

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF THE COUNTY OF ONONDAGA,  
AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The County of Onondaga is the owner of property located at 650 Hiawatha Boulevard West, Syracuse, New York, known as the Plant Operations Building of the Department of Water Environment Protection.

Section 2. Bell Atlantic Mobile Systems LLC, doing business as Verizon Wireless, has expressed an interest in renewing and amending its lease of approximately six hundred and two (602) square feet of interior and rooftop space at said building for the installation, operation and maintenance of radio communication facilities.

Section 3. The term of the proposed lease is five (5) years, with five (5) five-year (5) renewals, commencing March 1, 2026.

Section 4. The amount of rent is Twenty Four Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$24,500.00) per year during the first year with an increase of three per cent (3%) per year thereafter. The amount of proposed rent is fair and reasonable.

Section 5. That portion of the Plant Operations Building property to be leased is not currently needed for County purposes pursuant to Section 215 of the County Law.

Section 6. Bell Atlantic Mobile Systems LLC will provide insurance and pay for all utilities consumed by its equipment.

Section 7. The County Executive is hereby authorized to enter into any and all agreements and execute all documents for the lease of the above described space to Bell Atlantic Mobile Systems LLC for a period of five years, with five (5) five-year (5) renewals.

Section 8. This Local Law supersedes the public bidding requirements of Section 215 of the County Law and is subject to a permissive referendum. Local Law No. 1 of 2003 is hereby superseded to the extent inconsistent herewith.

Section 9. This local law shall take effect immediately upon filing pursuant to the provisions of the Municipal Home Rule Law.

PASSED 12/17/2024



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the legislation duly adopted by the County Legislature of  
Onondaga County on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of December 2024.

Clerk, County Legislature



**DECEMBER 17, 2024  
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**Passed**

**LEGISLATORS**

**AYES:**

**NOES:**

**ABSENT:**

**EXCUSED:**

**Local Law B**

**8. RYAN**

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**1. MAY**

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**12. KNAPP**

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**13. BUSH**

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**14. KELLY**

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**15. BROWN**

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**17. HERNANDEZ**

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**9. HARVEY**

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**10. OLSON**

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**11. McCARRON**

✓

**3. BURTIS**

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**TOTAL:**

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*Mr. Ryan requested to be excused from the vote. Chairman Burtis allowed the excusal.*

LOCAL LAW NO. 1 - 2025

A LOCAL LAW REGARDING RESIDENCY FOR DEPUTY AND ASSISTANT COUNTY  
ATTORNEYS

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF THE COUNTY OF ONONDAGA,  
AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. New York State Municipal Home Rule Section 10 authorizes the County to establish qualifications for all Onondaga County Deputy and Assistant County Attorneys. In the interests of the County, it is desired to authorize a Deputy or Assistant County Attorney to reside in a different county at the time of hire and for a limited time during his/her employment, after which time any such Deputy or Assistant County Attorney shall be required to be a resident of Onondaga County.

Section 2. The provisions of New York State Public Officers Law Section 3 and Section 30, and Local Law No. 6 of 2002, requiring a person to be a resident of the political subdivision for which they shall be chosen shall not prevent an Onondaga County Deputy or Assistant County Attorney from being hired by the Department of Law, or holding said position for the limited time authorized herein (the "residency exemption"). The residency exemption shall cease six (6) months from the date of hire, and any person previously hired as a Deputy or Assistant County Attorney shall comply with the provisions of New York State Public Officers Law Sections 3 and 30, and Local Law No. 6 of 2002, and shall reside within Onondaga County for the remaining term of employment. For purposes of clarity, any person serving as Deputy or Assistant County Attorney shall reside within Onondaga County within six (6) months of being employed by the County of Onondaga.

Section 3. This Local Law shall sunset and be deemed to have expired and of no further force and effect three (3) years after adoption.

Section 4. This Local Law shall take effect immediately and shall be filed pursuant to the provisions of New York State Municipal Home Rule Law.

PASSED 12/17/2024



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**DECEMBER 17, 2024  
SESSION**

**Passed**

**LEGISLATORS**

**AYES:**

**NOES:**

**ABSENT:**

**EXCUSED:**

**Local Law 1-2025**

**8. RYAN**

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**1. MAY**

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**3. BURTIS**

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**TOTAL:**

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*The meeting was  
adjourned at 2:24 p.m.*