

A LOCAL LAW AMENDING SECTION 203 OF THE ONONDAGA COUNTY CHARTER AND  
SECTION 2.07 OF THE ONONDAGA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE RELATIVE TO THE  
DATE OF THE ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING OF THE ONONDAGA COUNTY LEGISLATURE

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

Section 1. The purpose of this Local Law is to amend the Onondaga County Charter and Administrative Code to allow the Organizational Meeting of the Onondaga County Legislature to be held within the first three business days in the month of January.

Section 2. Section 203 of the Onondaga County Charter is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 203. ORGANIZATION; OFFICERS; COMMITTEES.

The County Legislature, members of which are elected in nineteen hundred sixty-seven and every second year thereafter, shall meet on the first day other than a Saturday, Sunday or holiday, in the month of January in the year nineteen hundred sixty-eight and every second year thereafter, for the purpose of organization and for the transaction of such other business as may come before it; provided, however, that said organizational meeting may be convened within the first three days other than a Saturday, a Sunday or a holiday when so designated in writing by the Chairman of the County Legislature. Thereafter said County Legislature shall hold monthly meetings on the days designated in the rules of the prior Onondaga County Board of Supervisors, which shall apply as herein above provided, and at such other times as the County Legislature may fix by resolution duly adopted by vote of a majority thereof or authorized by its rules.

At the organization of said County Legislature in the year nineteen hundred sixty-eight and every second year thereafter, a permanent Chairman shall be elected who shall serve until the next organization meeting. In case of his death, removal, resignation or retirement from said County Legislature, a successor shall be elected for the unexpired term. In case of failure to elect a permanent Chairman on any day herein provided, said County Legislature shall adjourn from day to day, Sundays and holidays excepted, until said Chairman shall be elected.

The Chairman shall have and may cast the vote to which he is entitled as a member of the County Legislature.

At the organization of the County Legislature in nineteen hundred sixty-eight and each second year thereafter, the County Legislature shall elect a Clerk, Deputy Clerk and such other employees as it may deem necessary, which officers and employees of the County Legislature may be removed and their successors appointed at the pleasure of said county legislature. Said Deputy Clerk shall perform the duties of the Clerk in his absence and shall perform such other duties in connection with such office as shall be directed by said County Legislature or the Clerk. Said Clerk, Deputy Clerk and such other employees of the County Legislature as are appointed by it shall hold office until their successors are appointed. All officers elected and appointments made by the County Legislature shall be vive voce upon call of the roll of members and all other questions shall be determined in a similar manner.

The said County Legislature shall have power to enact local laws or rules fixing the dates and time of its sessions; governing the conduct of the members at such sessions and the manner of transacting business thereat; fixing and prescribing penalties for its members to attend the stated or adjourned meeting of said County Legislature or of any committee thereof and the manner of enforcing or collecting the same, and fixing the time when and the form in which reports shall be made to said County Legislature by any officer of said County.

Such standing committees as are now prescribed by the rules of the Onondaga County Board of Supervisors or any local law adopted by said Board of Supervisors or which may hereafter be prescribed or adopted by the County Legislature, shall be appointed by the permanent Chairman of the County Legislature within twenty days after his election, such appointment to be in writing and filed with the clerk of the County Legislature, who shall give immediate notice thereof to the members of said County Legislature by mail. Such committees shall continue in office until their successors have been appointed, but nothing herein contained shall be construed to allow any member of said County Legislature whose term shall have expired, or who shall have resigned or have been removed from office, to continue to serve upon any committee after he shall have ceased to be a member of said County Legislature.



Section 3. Section 2.07 of the Onondaga County Administrative Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 2.07. ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING.

The organizational meeting of the County Legislature shall be conducted on the first day, other than a Saturday, Sunday or holiday, in the month of January of each even-numbered year; provided, however, that the organizational meeting may be held within the first three days, other than a Saturday, a Sunday or a holiday, when so designated in writing by the Chairman of the County Legislature. Notice of the date and time of said meeting shall be given to each legislator by the Clerk of the County Legislature as may be provided for in the rules of the County Legislature. In the event of a vacancy in the office of the Clerk of the County Legislature, or of the inability or failure of the Clerk to act in accordance with the provisions of this Section, notice shall be given by the County Clerk at the earliest practicable time.

Section 4. If any clause or sentence of this Local Law shall be adjudged by any Court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause or sentence directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment shall have been rendered.

Section 5. This Local Law shall take effect immediately.

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