



Onondaga County Legislature

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PLANNING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE AGENDA

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11:00 a.m.
October 21, 2026

401 Montgomery St., Courthouse Room 407
Syracuse, New York 13202

- A. Approval of the minutes of the previous meeting.
- B. Presentation of Resolutions and Local Laws:
 - 1. **DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING:** Troy W. Waffner, Director; Kathryn Ryan, Planner
 - a. INFORMATIONAL: Safe Streets Onondaga Action Plan
 - b. INFORMATIONAL: Update on the Data Center Study
 - 2. **COUNTY LEGISLATURE:**
 - a. DISCUSSION: Appointment to OCDC (Marcus Davis-El)
 - b. DISCUSSION: Upcoming Vacancies
- C. Adjournment

MARCUS DAVIS-EL

Construction Leadership | Workforce Development | Community Investment

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PROFESSIONAL PROFILE

Syracuse construction professional, workforce educator and business owner with a construction career beginning in 2005. Combines field supervision, career training and real estate development planning. Brings a practical understanding of how workforce preparation, responsible investment and employer needs intersect to expand local economic opportunity.

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

SUNY EOC / ON-RAMP Syracuse | Construction Instructor / Senior Trainer | 2026

- Delivered practical construction and workforce instruction supporting career preparation for local residents, drawing on field experience to connect classroom learning with jobsite expectations.
- Contributed to construction and advanced manufacturing curriculum planning, integrating safety, MC3 content, hands-on learning and preparation for industry credentials.
- Supported cohort-based learning with an emphasis on safe work practices, technical foundations, professional expectations and pathways into skilled employment.
- Helped connect workforce education with regional construction and manufacturing needs, bringing an employer and contractor perspective to training design.

MoorStar Development Group, LLC | Co-Founder & Managing Partner

- Co-leads development planning for Syracuse housing, mixed-use projects and historic adaptive reuse, including the West Onondaga corridor.
- Coordinates project concepts, preliminary budgets, financing discussions and collaboration with public agencies, lenders and construction partners.
- Advocates for development that pairs neighborhood investment with workforce opportunity, local business participation and community benefit.

Davis-El Construction, LLC | Owner

- Provides construction leadership across project management, scheduling, safety, quality control, manpower planning and trade coordination.
- Served as superintendent for work at Nottingham High School in 2019; earlier superintendent experience with PAC at Frazier Elementary School in 2018.

Regional STEAM High School, SCSD | Construction Management & DDP Instructor | 2025–2026

- Taught construction management and Design and Drawing for Production, connecting technical education with construction careers and practical project delivery.

BOARD CONTRIBUTION & PUBLIC IMPACT

Offers a perspective spanning worker preparation, contractor operations and development planning. EOC/ON-RAMP experience informs how job-creation goals translate into the skills residents need to participate. Construction experience supports practical assessment of project feasibility, implementation and employment potential; community roots inform attention to accessible economic opportunity.

SELECTED CREDENTIALS & RECOGNITION

MC3 Certified Instructor | Certified Procore Project Manager | OSHA 10 training
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