

**RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE
REGULAR MEETING**

Tuesday, July 13, 2021

Legislature called to order by Chairman Stammel at: **6:00 P.M.**

Roll Call: Present:

Absent:

Invocation: Mr. Grant

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag: Mr. Grimm

On motion of Mr. Herrington, duly seconded, the reading of the minutes of Regular Meeting of June 8, 2021 was dispensed with and approved as printed.

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PRESENTATION OF COMMUNICATIONS: (on file in Clerk's Office)

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County of Rensselaer

Local Law No. _____ of the year 2021

A local law of the County of Rensselaer Establishing the Rensselaer County Animal Abuse Registry

By: Hoffman, Grant,

Be it enacted by the County Legislature of the
(Name of Legislative Body)

County of Rensselaer as follows:

Section 1. Title

This Local Law shall be known as the Rensselaer County Animal Abuse Registration Act

Section 2. Legislative Findings and Purpose

The Legislature finds and determines:

First, that animal cruelty is a serious problem, resulting in the abuse of thousands of animals each year; and

Second, that, while the State of New York has criminalized the cruel treatment of animals, animal abuse and cruelty continues to occur in Rensselaer County and throughout New York State; and

Third, that people who have abused animals in the past are likely to do so in the future, and studies show that there is a near-100% recidivism rate for certain types of abuse, such as animal hoarding; and

Fourth, that individuals who abuse animals are statistically more likely to commit violent acts against humans and, in particular, the Legislature also determines that a strong correlation has been established linking individuals who abuse animals with incidents of domestic violence; and

Fifth, that animals in need of homes need to be protected from potential abusers; and

Sixth, that it is in the best interest of the residents of Rensselaer County and their animals that an online registry be established identifying individuals residing in Rensselaer County convicted of animal abuse crimes that will prevent these individuals convicted of animal cruelty from adopting, purchasing, or otherwise obtaining animals, as "Animal" is defined in Section 400 of the New York State Agriculture and Markets Law, from any Animal Shelter as hereinafter defined, or professional, licensed and/or accredited "Pet Dealer", as defined in Section 400 of the New York State Agriculture and Markets Law, located in Rensselaer County, involved in the exchange of animals by adoption, sale, or other means.

THEREFORE: The Purpose of enacting this local law is to establish an online registry for individuals who are convicted of animal abuse and neglect crimes.

Section 3. Definitions

As used in this Local Law, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated:

A. "Animal Abuse and Neglect Crime" shall mean the commission of crimes against an animal as set

forth in the New York State Agriculture and Markets Law (hereinafter “AML”) § 351, § 353, § 353-a, §353-C, §355, §356, §360, § 361, § 365, §366 (3), §366-a, § 368, § 380, §381, and New York State Penal Law (hereinafter “PL”) § 130.20 (3), § 195.11, § 195.12, §242.10, and §242.15.

- B. **“Animal Abuse Offender”** shall mean any person convicted of an Animal Abuse and Neglect Crime
- C. **“Animal Abuse Registry”** shall mean the on-line registry established by this Local Law for registering any person residing in Rensselaer County convicted of an Animal Abuse and Neglect Crime.
- D. **“Animal Shelter”** shall mean any public or privately owned organization located in Rensselaer County, including, but not limited to, any duly incorporated humane society, pound, animal protective association, or animal rescue group which maintains buildings, structures, or other property for the purpose of harboring animals which may be stray, unwanted, lost, abandoned, or abused and seeks to find appropriate temporary or permanent homes for such animals.
- E. **“Conviction”** shall mean an adjudication of guilty by any court of competent jurisdiction, whether upon verdict after trial, plea of guilty, or *nolo contendere/Alford* plea.
- F. **“Animal”** means a dog or a cat.
- G. **“Pet Dealer”** means any person or entity located in Rensselaer County who engages in the sale or offering for sale of more than nine animals per year for profit to the public. Such definition shall include breeders who sell or offer to sell animals; provided that it shall not include any breeder who sells or offers to sell directly to the consumer fewer than twenty-five animals per year that are born and raised on the breeder's residential premises;

Section 4. Establishment of an Animal Abuse Registry

A registry is hereby created which shall contain the names and residence information of individuals who are convicted of Animal Abuse and Neglect Crimes. The Rensselaer County District Attorney is hereby authorized and empowered to establish and maintain a publicly accessible registry for such individuals. All fees collected by Rensselaer County District Attorney associated with the registration shall be used for the maintenance and administration of the registry

Section 5. Registration Requirements

- A. All persons either at sixteen (16) years of age or older who has been convicted of an Animal Abuse and Neglect Crime on or after the effective date of this Local Law must register with the Rensselaer County Animal Abuse Registry within ten (10) days of their release from incarceration or, if not incarcerated, from the date of judgment of conviction.
- B. Each person required to register with the Animal Abuse Registry shall submit:
 - i. Their name and any aliases that they may be known by;
 - ii. Their residence address;
- C. Every person required to register with the Animal Abuse Registry shall update their registry information annually and within ten (10) days of any change of address.
- D. Every person required to register pursuant to this Local Law shall remain on the Animal Abuse Registry for ten (10) years following their release from incarceration or the date the judgment of conviction was rendered, whichever is later. Any currently or previously registered Animal Abuse Offender convicted of a subsequent Animal Abuse and Neglect Crime shall be placed on the registry for life following the second conviction.
- E. Upon notification to the Rensselaer County District Attorney’s Office, or their authorized agent, of a successful appeal of a conviction of an Animal Abuse and Neglect Crime by an individual that has been required to register pursuant to this Local Law, the registration information for that individual shall be removed from the Animal Abuse Registry within (5) days following the notification.

- F. Every person required to register with the Animal Abuse Registry shall pay an annual fee of fifty (\$50.00) Dollars to the Rensselaer County District Attorney's Office. All such fees shall be used to pay the administrative and maintenance costs of maintaining the registry.
- G. The Rensselaer County District Attorney's Office is hereby authorized and empowered to promulgate such rules and regulations as may be necessary to implement the Animal Abuse Registry.

Section 6. Sharing of Registration Information

- A. The Rensselaer County District Attorney, or their authorized agent, shall make the Animal Abuse Registry available to the Rensselaer County Child Protective Service and the Department of Social Services, and is authorized to make the Animal Abuse Registry available to any state, regional, or national government-operated registry of animal abusers for the purpose of sharing information.
- B. The Rensselaer County District Attorney, or their authorized agent, may accept files from any state, regional, or national registry of animal abusers.
- C. The Rensselaer County District Attorney, or their authorized agent, is authorized to make the registry information available within a reasonable amount of time to any animal registry.

Section 7. Animal Abuse Shelters and Pet Sellers Prohibited from Transferring Animal Ownership to Animal Abuse Offenders

No Animal Shelter, or professional, licensed and/or accredited Pet Dealer located in Rensselaer County shall sell, exchange, or otherwise transfer the ownership of any animal to any person listed as an Animal Abuse Offender on the Animal Abuse Registry. Prior to the sale, exchange, or other transfer of ownership of any animal, the Animal Shelter, or professional, licensed and/or accredited Pet Dealer located in Rensselaer County is required to examine the Animal Abuse Registry to confirm that the name of the potential owner of the animal is not listed.

Section 8. Fees and Penalties

- A. Any Animal Abuse Offender required to register with the Animal Abuse Registry who fails to so register shall be guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by incarceration for a period of not more than one (1) year and/or a fine not to exceed One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) for each day that the Animal Abuse Offender fails to register. For purposes of this Local Law, each day that the Animal Abuse Offender fails to register after the date set for registering shall be deemed a separate offense.
- B. Any Animal Shelter, or professional, licensed and/or accredited Pet Dealer, located in Rensselaer County, that violates Section 7 of this Local Law shall be guilty of a violation and subject to a fine of not less than Zero (\$0) and no more than One Thousand (\$1,000.00) Dollars. It shall not be a violation of this law if the Animal Shelter, or professional, licensed and/or accredited Pet Dealer, located in Rensselaer County, checked with the Animal Abuse Registry and the name did not appear thereon.

Section 9. Severability

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

Section 10. Effective Date and Applicability

This Local Law shall be effective ninety (90) days subsequent to its filing in the office of the Secretary of State and shall apply to all transactions occurring on or after the effective date of this local law.

Local Law ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

July 13, 2021

Approved by the County Executive:

Dated: _____, 2021

Steven F. McLaughlin
County Executive

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County of Rensselaer

Local Law No. _____ of the year 2021

A local law Enacting The Rensselaer County Prescription Opioid Safe Disposal Law

By: Bendett, Casale, Loveridge, Stammel

Be it enacted by the County Legislature of the
(*Name of Legislative Body*)

County of Rensselaer as follows:

SECTION 1: TITLE

This Local Law shall be known as "The Rensselaer County Prescription Opioid Safe Disposal Law".

SECTION 2: PURPOSE AND INTENT

By Local Law No. 1 of 2018, the County of Rensselaer ("County") declared the opioid epidemic, and its effects on the County, a public nuisance. The opioid epidemic continues as one of the greatest challenges facing the County. The availability of opioids, including unused and expired prescription opioids, continues to negatively affect the health, safety and welfare of County residents. Further, as a result of the continued opioid epidemic, costs related to healthcare, family and social services, criminal justice, addiction and rehabilitation, and many other areas, continue to mount, with many of these costs paid by the County. In addition to, but separate and distinct from, Rensselaer County Drug Take-Back Events and other programs, another technology driven strategy that has emerged to reduce the availability of opioids and combat opioid misuse in our community is to provide, at the point of distribution, prescribed opioid patients with a portable personal use pharmaceutical disposal system that enables for the safe and environmentally friendly deactivation and disposal of any unused or expired amount of prescribed opioids. Available portable personal use pharmaceutical disposal systems are more environmentally friendly than certain take-back events and drop box locations and, unlike other recommended drug disposal alternatives, do not contaminate water supplies. Under The Rensselaer County Prescription Opioid Safe Disposal Law, points of distribution for prescription opioids within the County will be required to provide each patient with a portable personal use pharmaceutical disposal system with each opioid prescription. Placing

prescription opioid disposal systems directly in the hands of patients when the prescription is delivered will provide a more immediate and efficient opportunity for patients to deactivate and properly dispose of prescribed opioids thereby further mitigating the adverse effects of opioids on our County residents and the community.

SECTION 3: DEFINITIONS

- 3.1 "Controlled opioid" means each opioid-related drug and other substance listed in paragraphs (b) and (c) of Schedule II of Section 1308.12 of Part 1308-Schedules of Controlled Substances of Title 21 of the Code of Federal Regulations.
- 3.2 "Deliver" or "delivery" means the actual, constructive or attempted transfer from one person to another of a prescribed opioid, whether or not there is an agency relationship.
- 3.3 "Dispense" means to deliver a prescribed opioid to an ultimate user, including by means of the internet, and includes the packaging, labelling, or compounding necessary to prepare the substance for delivery.
- 3.4 "Internet" means, collectively, computer and telecommunications facilities which comprise the worldwide network of networks that employ a set of industry standards and protocols, or any predecessor or successor protocol to such protocol, to exchange information of all kinds. "Internet," as used in this Local Law, also includes other networks, whether private or public, used to transmit information by electronic means.
- 3.5 "Non-retrievable" means the condition or state to which an Opioid shall be rendered following a process that permanently alters that Opioid's physical or chemical condition or state through irreversible means and thereby renders the Opioid unavailable and unusable for all practical purposes. An Opioid is considered "Non-retrievable" when it cannot be transformed to a physical or chemical condition or state as a controlled substance, as defined in 21 C.F.R. 802(6), or controlled substance analogue, as defined in 21 C.F.R. 802(32)(A).
- 3.6 "Opioid" means any drug or other substance having an addiction-forming or addiction-sustaining liability similar to morphine or being capable of conversion into a drug having such addiction-forming or addiction-sustaining liability.
- 3.7 "Person" means means individual, institution, corporation, business trust, estate, trust, partnership or association, or any other legal entity.
- 3.8 "Pharmaceutical disposal system" means a portable product designed for personal use by the ultimate user for the purpose of allowing the ultimate user of a prescribed opioid to deactivate the prescribed opioid to a non-retrievable condition or state.
- 3.8 "Practitioner" means a physician, dentist, podiatrist, or other person licensed or otherwise permitted under law to dispense a prescribed

opioid. Such person shall be deemed a "practitioner" only as to such substances, or conduct relating to such substances, as is permitted by his or her license, permit or otherwise permitted by law.

- 3.9 "Prescribed opioid" means any controlled opioid dispensed pursuant to a prescription by a practitioner.
- 3.10 "Prescription" shall mean an official New York state prescription, an electronic prescription, an oral prescription, an out-of-state prescription, or any one of the foregoing.
- 3.11 "Ultimate user" means a person who has lawfully obtained, and who possesses, a prescribed opioid for his or her own use or for the use of a member of his or her household.

SECTION 4: PHARMACEUTICAL DISPOSAL SYSTEM REQUIREMENT

- 4.1 Simultaneously with the delivery of a prescribed opioid in the County to an ultimate user, the person authorized by law to dispense such prescribed opioid must also simultaneously deliver to the ultimate user a pharmaceutical disposal system.
- 4.2 No person delivering a pharmaceutical disposal system to an ultimate user pursuant to Section 4.1 of this Local Law may charge the ultimate user a fee or other monetary amount for the pharmaceutical disposal system itself, the delivery of the pharmaceutical disposal system to the ultimate user, or any other cost incurred by such person with respect to his, her or its compliance with Section 4.1 of this Local Law.

SECTION 5: ENFORCEMENT

- 5.1 The County Department of Health is hereby granted and shall have the authority to enforce this Local Law on behalf of the County. The County Department of Health may coordinate enforcement with the County Department of Consumer Affairs.
- 5.2 A violation of this Local Law shall, in addition to a violation of this Local Law, be deemed a violation of the County Sanitary Code.
- 5.3 Upon a violation of this Local Law and, by extension under Section 5.2 of this Local Law, upon the deemed violation of the County Sanitary Code, the County Department of Health is hereby authorized to enforce this Local Law by exercise of any one or more of its powers granted to it under the County Sanitary Code or New York State Public Health Law and regulations thereunder, including, without limitation, imposition of a civil penalty not to exceed two thousand dollars(\$2,000) upon a person for any and each and every violation of, or failure to comply with, any provision of this Local Law.
- 5.4 The Department of Health may establish administrative procedures for implementing Section 5 of this Local Law.

SECTION 6: ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS

- 6.1 In adopting and implementing this Local Law, the County assumes an undertaking only to promote the general welfare. The County does not assume or impose upon its officials and employees an obligation by which any one or more of them could be liable in money damages to any person or entity who claims that a breach proximately caused injury.
- 6.2 This Local Law shall be construed so as not to conflict with applicable federal or state laws, rules or regulations. Nothing in this Local Law shall authorize any County bureau or department to impose any duties or obligations in conflict with limitations on municipal authority established by state or federal law at the time such bureau or department action is taken. The County shall suspend enforcement of this Local Law to the extent that said enforcement would conflict with any preemptive state or federal legislation subsequently adopted.
- 6.3 Nothing in this Local Law is intended to protect anticompetitive or collusive conduct nor shall this Local Law be construed to modify, impair, or supersede the operation of any antitrust law or unfair competition law of the State of New York or the United States.
- 6.4 This Local Law shall be construed in accordance with New York State law, including, without limitation, Title 15 (Storage, Treatment, Disposal and Transportation of Regulated Medical Waste) of Article 27 of the New York State Environmental Conservation Law, and shall not be construed in any way that would result in conflict with or preemption by any state law.
- 6.5 This Local Law shall be null and void on the date that statewide or federal legislation goes into effect, incorporating either the same or substantially similar provisions as are contained in this Local Law, or in the event that a pertinent state or federal administrative agency issues and promulgates regulations preempting such action by the County. The County Legislature may determine by resolution whether or not identical or substantially similar statewide legislation has been enacted for the purposes of triggering the provisions of this Section 6.5.
- 6.6 The County Legislature, being the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) lead agency, hereby finds and determines that this Local Law constitutes a Type II action pursuant to Section 617.5(c)(20), (21) and/or (27) of Title 6 of the New York Code of Rules and Regulations and within the meaning of Section 8-0109(2) of the New York Environmental Conservation Law as a promulgation of regulations, rules, policies, procedures, and legislative decisions in connection with continuing agency administration, management and information collection.
- 6.7 If any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, section, or part of this Local Law or the application thereof to any person, individual, corporation, firm, partnership, or business shall be adjudged by any

court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unconstitutional, such order or judgment shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder thereof but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, section, or part of this law, or in its specific application.

SECTION 7: EFFECTIVE DATE

This Local Law shall become effective as provided in Municipal Home Rule Law §27.

Local Law ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

July 13, 2021

Approved by the County Executive:

Dated: _____

Steven F. McLaughlin
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County of Rensselaer

Local Law No. _____ of the year 2021

A local law ESTABLISHING A DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM IMPOSING OWNER LIABILITY FOR FAILURE OF AN OPERATOR TO STOP FOR A SCHOOL BUS DISPLAYING A RED VISUAL SIGNAL AND STOP-ARM

By: Hoffman, Grant, Bayly, Fiacco

Be it enacted by the County Legislature of the
(*Name of Legislative Body*)

County of Rensselaer as follows:

Section 1. Legislative Intent

In April 2019, the Governor signed legislation (S04524-B/A04950) authorizing local governments to enter into agreements with school districts for the installation and operation of school bus photo violation monitoring systems on school buses owned or operated by such school districts.

The State legislation allows local governments to impose liability on the owners of motor vehicles for the failure of the drivers of such vehicles to comply with the Law prohibiting the overtaking and/or passing of stopped school buses displaying red visual signals.

Multiple jurisdictions across the state and country have enacted similar legislation in response to a growing concern over the number of violations that occur while a school bus stop-arm is deployed; thereby endangering the lives of children.

Technological advancements now allow for the monitoring, capture, transfer and review of school bus stop arm infractions in violation of New York State Vehicle and Traffic Law. This Legislature finds that the use of comprehensive school bus photo violation monitoring systems can play an instrumental role in ensuring child safety and motorist accountability throughout Rensselaer County; therefore

BE IT ENACTED by the Legislature of the County of
Rensselaer as follows:

Section 2. Definitions

For purposes of this Local Law, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

- a. "County" shall mean the County of Rensselaer;
- b. "Manual on uniform traffic control devices" or "MUTCD" shall mean the manual and specifications for a uniform system of traffic control devices maintained by the Commissioner of Transportation pursuant to section 680 of the New York Vehicle and Traffic Law;
- c. "Owner" shall have the meaning provided in article two-b of the New York Vehicle and Traffic Law; and
- d. "School bus photo violation monitoring system" shall mean a device that is capable of operating independently of an enforcement officer which is installed to work in conjunction with a school bus stop arm which automatically produces two or more photographs, two or more microphotographs, a videotape or other recorded images of a vehicle at the time it is used or operation in violation of subdivision (a) of section 1174 of the New York Vehicle and Traffic Law.

Section 3. Program Established

- a. There is hereby established a demonstration program imposing monetary liability on owners of vehicles for failure of the operators thereof to comply with section 1174 of the New York Vehicle and Traffic Law.
- b. Under such demonstration program the County is empowered to install and operate school bus photo violation monitoring systems which may be stationary or mobile, and which may be installed, pursuant to an agreement with a school district within the County on school buses owned and operated by such school district or privately owned and operated for compensation under contract with such district. Provided however, that:
 - i. No stationary school bus photo violation monitoring system shall be installed or operated by the County

except on roadways under jurisdiction of the County.

- ii. No mobile school bus photo violation monitoring system shall be installed or operated on any such school buses unless the County and such district enter into an agreement for such installation and operation.
- c. The County Executive is hereby authorized to enter into agreements with school districts for the installation, maintenance and use of school bus photo violation monitoring systems, for the proper handling and custody of photographs, microphotographs, videotapes, other recorded images and data produced by such systems, and for the forwarding of such photographs, microphotographs, videotapes, other recorded images and data to the County, subject to the provisions of this Section and §1174 of the New York State Vehicle and Traffic Law. Provided however, that the County shall not enter into an agreement with any city school district wholly contained within a city.
- d. Nothing in this Local Law shall be construed to prevent the County or a school district at any time from withdrawing or terminating any agreement entered into pursuant to this Local Law; provided, however, that the County or the school district shall provide no less than thirty (30) days' notice to other signatories of such agreement before withdrawing or terminating.
- e. The cost to the school district of the installation, maintenance and uses of school bus photo violation monitoring systems pursuant to an agreement authorized by this Local Law shall be borne entirely by the County. On or before September first of each year, the school district shall determine and certify to the County the total cost to the school district for the school year ending the preceding June thirtieth of installing, maintaining and using such systems within the County, for the proper handling and custody of photographs, microphotographs, videotapes, other recorded images and data produced by such systems, and for the forwarding of such photographs, microphotographs, videotapes, other record images and data produced by such systems to the County. On or before the following December first of each year, the County shall pay to the school district such cost so certified to it on or before the preceding September first.
- f. The County shall adopt and enforce measures to protect the privacy of drivers, passengers, pedestrians and cyclists whose identity and identifying information may be captured by a school bus photo violation monitoring device. Such measures shall include:

- i. The utilization of necessary technologies to ensure, to the extent practicable, that photographs produced by such school bus violation monitoring systems shall not include images that identify the driver, the passengers, or the contents of the vehicle, pedestrians and cyclists;
 - A. However, a Notice of Liability issued pursuant to this Section shall not be dismissed solely because a photograph or photographs allow for the identification of the contents of a vehicle, provide however that the County has made reasonable efforts to comply with the provisions of this paragraph;

- ii. A prohibition on the use or dissemination of vehicle's license plate information and other information and images captured by school bus photo violation monitoring systems except: (a) as required to establish liability under this section or collect payment of penalties; (b) as required by court order; or (c) as otherwise required by law; The installation of signage in conformance with standards established in the MUTCD at each roadway entrance of the jurisdictional boundaries of the County giving notice that school bus photo violation monitoring systems are used to enforce restrictions on vehicles violating section 1174 of the New York State Vehicle and Traffic Law. For purposes of this paragraph the terms "roadway" shall not include state expressway routes or state interstate routes but shall include controlled-access highway exit ramps that enter the boundaries of the County; and

- iii. Oversight procedures to ensure compliance with the aforementioned privacy protection measures.

Section 4. Penalties

An owner found liable for a violation of subdivision (a) of section 1174 of the New York Vehicle and Traffic Law shall be liable pursuant to this Local Law for monetary penalties in accordance with the following fee schedule of fines and penalties:

- a. Two hundred and fifty dollars for a first violation;
- b. Two hundred and seventy five dollars for a second violation committed within eighteen months of the first violation;
- c. Three hundred dollars for a third or subsequent violation, all of which were committed within eighteen months from the first violation, and
- d. An additional penalty of twenty-five dollars for each violation for the failure to respond to a notice of liability within the prescribed time period.

Section 5. Notice of Liability

- a. A Notice of Liability shall be sent by first class mail to each person alleged to be liable as an owner of a vehicle, for a violation of subdivision (a) of section 1174 of the New York Vehicle and Traffic Law. Personal delivery on the owner shall not be required. A manual or automatic record of mailing prepared in the ordinary course of business shall be prima facie evidence of delivery to the owner of the vehicle.
- b. A Notice of Liability shall contain:
 - i. the name and current address of the person alleged to be liable as an owner for a violation of subdivision (a) of section 1174 of the New York Vehicle and Traffic Law; and
 - ii. the registration number of the vehicle involved in such violation; and
 - iii. the specific location where such violation took place, including the name of the road/street, the abutting address, the town/city/village, and the county and state; and
 - iv. the date and time of such violation; and
 - v. the identification number of the camera which recorded the violation or other document locator number.
- c. A Notice of Liability shall contain information advising the owner of the manner and the time in which he or she may contest the liability alleged in the notice.
- d. Such Notice of Liability shall also contain a warning to advise the owners that failure to contest in the manner and time provided shall be deemed an admission of liability and that a default judgment may be entered thereon.
- e. The Notice of Liability shall be prepared and mailed by the County or local municipality in which the violation occurred, or by an entity authorized by the County or local municipality to prepare and mail said Notice of Liability.

Section 6. Owner Liability

- a. The demonstration program established hereunder shall provide that the owner of a vehicle shall be liable for a penalty imposed pursuant to this Local Law if such vehicle was used or operated with the permission of the owner, express or implied, in violation of subdivision (a) of section 1174 of the New York Vehicle and Traffic Law, and such violation is evidenced by information obtained from a school bus photo violation monitoring system; provided, however, that no owner of a vehicle shall be liable for a penalty imposed pursuant to this section where the operator of such vehicle has been convicted of the underlying violation of NY Vehicle and

Traffic Law §1174(a) pursuant to this Local Law. For purposes of this subsection, there shall be a rebuttable presumption that such vehicle was used and operated with the consent of the owner at the time it as used or operated in violation of NY Vehicle and Traffic Law §1174(a).

- b. If an owner receives a Notice of Liability pursuant to this Local Law for any time period during which the vehicle was reported to the police as having been stolen, it shall be a valid affirmative defense to an allegation of liability for a violation of subdivision (a) of section 1174 of the New York Vehicle and Traffic Law pursuant to this Local Law that the vehicle had been stolen and reported to the police as stolen prior to the time the violation occurred and had not been recovered by such time. For purposes of asserting the affirmative defense provided by this subdivision, it shall be sufficient that a certified copy of the police report on the stolen vehicle be sent by first class mail to the court having jurisdiction.
- c. An owner who is a lessor of a vehicle to which a Notice of Liability was issued pursuant to this Local Law shall not be liable for the violation of subdivision (a) of section 1174 of the New York Vehicle and Traffic Law, provided that the entity or person sends to the Court a copy of the rental, lease or other such contract document covering such vehicle on the date of the violation, with the name and address of the lessee clearly legible, within 37 days after receiving notice from the agency of the date and time of such violation, together with the other information contained in the original notice of liability. Failure to send such information within such 37-day time period shall render the owner liable for the penalty prescribed by this Local Law. Where the Lessor complies with the provisions of this paragraph, the Lessee of such vehicle on the date of such violation shall be deemed to be the owner of such vehicle for purposes of this section, shall be subject to liability for the violation of subdivision (a) of section 1174 of the New York Vehicle and Traffic Law pursuant to this Local Law and shall be sent a notice of liability pursuant to section 4 of this Local Law.
- d. A certificate sworn to or affirmed by a technician employed by the County, or a facsimile thereof, based upon inspection of photographs, microphotographs, videotape or other recorded images produced by a school bus photo violation monitoring system, shall be prima facie evidence of the facts contained therein. Any photographs, microphotographs, videotape or other recorded images evidencing such a violation shall be available for inspection in any proceeding to adjudicate the liability

for such violation, and shall be preserved for said proceeding.

- e. It shall be a defense to any prosecution for a violation of subdivision (a) of section 1174 of the New York Vehicle and Traffic Law pursuant to this Local Law that such school bus stop-arms were malfunctioning at the time of the alleged violation, and said photographs, microphotographs, videotape or other recorded images shall be made available to any person or entity issued a Notice of Liability or violation to use for a defense.
- f. For the purpose of informing and educating owners of motor vehicles in this County, during the first thirty-day period in which a school bus violation monitoring system is in operation pursuant to the provisions of this Local Law, all owners of motor vehicles who would otherwise be held liable for failure of operators thereof to comply with subdivision (a) of section 1174 of the New York Vehicle and Traffic Law when meeting a school bus marked and equipped as provided in subdivisions 20 and 21-c of section 375 of such law, shall be issued a written warning in lieu of a notice of liability.

Section 7. Adjudication of Liability

Liability pursuant to the demonstration program established hereunder shall be imposed upon owners by the local municipality wherein such violation occurred.

Section 8. Action for Indemnification

If the owner held liable for a violation of subdivision (a) of section 1174 of the New York Vehicle and Traffic Law pursuant to this Local Law was not the operator of the vehicle at the time of the violation, the owner may maintain an action for indemnification against the operator.

Section 9. Annual Report

- a. The County shall submit an annual report on the results of the use of a school bus photo violation monitoring system as required and provided for in NY Vehicle and Traffic Law § 1174-a(m).
- b. The County shall annually provide a copy of the annual report submitted pursuant to this Local Law, to each local law enforcement agency having jurisdiction to enforce violations of the vehicle and traffic law or any ordinance rule or regulation relating to traffic adopted pursuant to such law on roadways within the County.

Section 10. SEQRA Determination.

This County Legislature determines that the adoption of this Local Law constitutes a "Type II action" as said term is defined in the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA"), and that no further action with respect to same is required under SEQRA.

Section 11. Severability

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

Section 12. Effective Date

This Local Law shall be effective upon filing with the Secretary of State.

Local Law ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

July 13, 2021

Approved by the County Executive:

Dated: _____, 2021

Steven F. McLaughlin
County Executive

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Tesman, Grant, Weaver

Sent To: Judiciary & Public Safety

Committee

Date July 13, 2021

Resolution No. G/225/21

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXTENSIONS OF THE TERM PERIODS OF GRANT AGREEMENTS
WITH THE NEW YORK STATE OFFICE OF INDIGENT LEGAL SERVICES -
PUBLIC DEFENDER, CONFLICT DEFENDER AND COUNTY ATTORNEY**

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, The Rensselaer County Public Defender, the Rensselaer County Conflict Defender and the Rensselaer County Attorney received a grant totaling \$299,527.00, (Upstate Quality Improvement and Caseload Reduction - Distribution #1 - Contract No. C000638) from the New York State Office of Indigent Legal Services for the period from January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2016, pursuant to the authority granted by Resolution No. G/422/15; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. G/437/16 authorized the extension of this grant to June 30, 2018; Resolution No. G/285/18 authorized the further extension of this grant to June 30, 2019; Resolution No. G/352/19 authorized the further extension of this grant to June 30, 2020; and Resolution No. G/219/20 authorized the further extension of this grant to June 30, 2021; and

WHEREAS, The Rensselaer County Public Defender, the Rensselaer County Conflict Defender and the Rensselaer County Attorney received a grant totaling \$300,000.00, (Upstate Quality Improvement and Caseload Reduction - Distribution #2 - Contract No. C2ND638) from the New York State Office of Indigent Legal Services for the period from July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2020, pursuant to the authority granted by Resolution No. G/269/19; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. G/219/20 authorized the extension of this grant to June 30, 2021; and

WHEREAS, The New York State Office of Indigent Legal Services has authorized a twelve (12) month extension through June 30, 2022 for both the first and second Upstate Quality Improvement and Caseload Reduction grants; and

WHEREAS, The Rensselaer County Public Defender, the Rensselaer County Conflict Defender and the Rensselaer County Attorney received a grant totaling \$272,073.00 (Distribution #3 - Contract No. C000338) from the New York State Office of Indigent Legal Services for the period from June 1, 2013 through May 31, 2016, pursuant to the authority granted by Resolution No. G/226/14; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. G/189/16 authorized the extension of this grant to May 31, 2017, Resolution No. G/290/17 authorized the further extension of this grant to May 31, 2018, Resolution No. G/268/18 authorized the further extension of this grant to May 31, 2019, Resolution No. G/332/19 authorized the further extension of this grant to May 31, 2020, and Resolution No. G/205/20 authorized the further extension of this grant to May 31, 2021; and

WHEREAS, The New York State Office of Indigent Legal Services has authorized a three (3) month extension through August 31, 2021 for the Distribution 3 grant; and

WHEREAS, There are unexpended monies within each grant for the Offices of the Public Defender, Conflict Defender and County Attorney; and

WHEREAS, All purchases, made under this grant, will be done under the purchasing guidelines set forth in the Purchasing Policies and Procedures of the County of Rensselaer; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That any positions, programs, expenditures and/or agreements or contracts authorized or established pursuant to this Resolution shall terminate and cease upon discontinuance of said funding; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Executive, or his designee, is authorized to accept and execute the above-referenced grant extension agreements, subject to the approval as to form by the Rensselaer County Attorney.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

July 13, 2021

Clerk of the Legislature

Sent to County Executive _____

Received from County Executive _____

Clerk of the Legislature



Executive Action

Approved _____ Date _____

Disapproved _____
Veto Message Attached and Returned to Clerk

County Executive

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Grant, Tesman, Weaver

Sent To: Social Services

Committee

Date July 13, 2021

Resolution No. G/226/21

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH HUDSON VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE -
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES**

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, Social Services Law Section 112 requires local social service districts to provide a suitable training program for its employees; and

WHEREAS, The Rensselaer County Department of Social Services (" Department") would like to enter into an agreement with Hudson Valley Community College ("HVCC") for the purpose of training and/or educational services; and

WHEREAS, The Department and HVCC have worked collaboratively for thirty years through the Social Service Education Program to provide training, organizational support, and educational opportunities for Department employees; and

WHEREAS, The proposed activities for the period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022 continues this long-standing and successful working relationship between the two entities; and

WHEREAS, The total project cost is \$130,206.00; 29% of this cost is contributed by HVCC and the remaining 71%, in the amount of \$92,446.00, is budgeted within the 2021 Rensselaer County Adopted Budget in the A.6010.04900 line item; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Executive, or his designee, is authorized to sign the above-referenced Agreement, subject to the approval as to form by the Rensselaer County Attorney.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

July 13, 2021

Clerk of the Legislature

Sent to County Executive _____

Received from County Executive _____

Clerk of the Legislature



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Approved _____ Date _____

Disapproved _____
Veto Message Attached and Returned to Clerk

County Executive

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Herrington, Bayly, Fleming

Sent To: Public Works

Committee

Date July 13, 2021

Resolution No. G/227/21

RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2021 RENSSELAER COUNTY ADOPTED BUDGET - HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT (COUNTY ROAD FUND) AND CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Resolution G/29/18, a capital project (H1186) has been established for the rehabilitation of the County Road 4 ("CR4") (Van Hoesen Road) Bridge over Amtrak; and

WHEREAS, The Rensselaer County Legislature has made available the sum of \$667,948.00 to cover project expenditures by Resolutions G/29/18, G/294/20 and G/104/21; and

WHEREAS, Resolution G/222/21 authorized a construction contract for the CR 4 (Van Hoesen Road) bridge rehabilitation project with D.A. Collins Construction Co.; and

WHEREAS, Resolution G/222/21 should have included a budget modification transferring funds into this Capital Project to account for all costs related to the project; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the 2021 Rensselaer County Adopted Budget shall be and hereby is amended as follows:

COUNTY ROAD FUND OTHER SOURCES

<u>CODE/DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
Highway - Road Maintenance			
D.00911 Unappropriated			
Fund Balance	\$2,745,571.00	\$(76,125.00)	\$2,669,446.00

COUNTY ROAD FUND APPROPRIATIONS

<u>CODE/DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
Transfers - Capital Fund			
D.9950.09003 Transfers			
To Capital Funds	\$ 0.00	\$ 76,125.00	\$ 76,125.00

CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND REVENUE

<u>CODE/DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
Highway - Bridge Maintenance			
H.5120.50311 H1186 Interfund Transfers			
- General	\$ 160,000.00	\$ 76,125.00	\$ 236,125.00
<u>CODE/DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
H.5120.57101 H1186 Serial			
Bond Revenue	\$ 507,948.00	\$ 24,625.00	\$ 532,573.00
Total Capital Projects Revenue:		\$100,750.00	

CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND APPROPRIATIONS

<u>CODE/DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
Highway - Bridge Maintenance			
H.5120.02500 H1186 General Capital			
Expenditures	\$ 667,948.00	\$100,500.00	\$ 768,448.00
H.5120.04003 H1186 Bank			
Account Fees	\$ 0.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00
Total Capital Projects Appropriations:		\$100,750.00	

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

July 13, 2021

Clerk of the Legislature

Sent to County Executive _____

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Clerk of the Legislature



Executive Action

Approved _____ Date _____

Disapproved _____
Veto Message Attached and Returned to Clerk

County Executive

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Tesman, Grant, Weaver

Sent To: Judiciary & Public Safety

Committee

Date July 13, 2021

Resolution No. G/228/21

RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2021 RENSSELAER COUNTY ADOPTED BUDGET - OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. G/39/18 authorized a contract with New York Correct Care Solutions Medical Services, PC to provide comprehensive inmate healthcare services at the Rensselaer County Correctional Facility; and

WHEREAS, According to section 9.6 Unused Cap Funding in the contract, reimbursement of unused Offsite Cap or Pharmacy Cap during any contract year shall be reimbursed to Rensselaer County annually no later than June 1 of the subsequent contact year; and

WHEREAS, The County of Rensselaer received a check in the amount of \$303,586.73 in May of 2021 representing the 2020-2021 Contract Year Rebate; and

WHEREAS, The Rensselaer County Sheriff would like to utilize these funds to make needed purchases in 2021; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That any positions, programs, expenditures, agreements and/or contracts authorized or established pursuant to this resolution shall terminate and cease upon discontinuance of said funding; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That 2021 Rensselaer County Adopted Budget shall be and hereby is amended as follows:

GENERAL FUND REVENUE

<u>CODE/DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
Jail			
A.3150.27011			
Refunds, Prior Years	\$ 0.00	\$303,586.00	\$303,586.00

GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS

<u>CODE/DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
Jail A.3150.02400 Other Equipment	\$38,394.19	\$303,586.00	\$341,980.19

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

July 13, 2021

Clerk of the Legislature

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Clerk of the Legislature



Executive Action

Approved _____ Date _____

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Veto Message Attached and Returned to Clerk

County Executive

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Tesman, Grant, Weaver

Sent To: Judiciary & Public Safety

Committee

Date July 13, 2021

Resolution No. G/229/21

RESOLUTION AMENDING A GRANT AGREEMENT AND AMENDING THE 2021 RENSSELAER COUNTY ADOPTED BUDGET - DISTRICT ATTORNEY

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, The New York State Office of Victim Services has awarded a \$798,761.33, three (3) year grant award to the Rensselaer County District Attorney's Office for the period October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2022, pursuant to the authority granted by Resolution No. G/350/19; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. G/378/20 awarded the following amount for the second year, October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021: \$311,564.21 (approximately twenty-five percent (25%) of the grant monies placed in the 2020 budget and remaining funds budgeted in 2021); and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. G/49/21 amended the 2020 and 2021 Rensselaer County Adopted Budgets rolling the remaining funds from 2020 into 2021; and

WHEREAS, Due to a vacancy within this grant, the New York State Office of Victim Services has approved that available funds be reallocated; and

WHEREAS, All purchases, made under this grant, will be done under the purchasing guidelines set forth in the Purchasing Policies and Procedures of the County of Rensselaer; and

WHEREAS, The New York State Office of Victim Services has approved that the funds be spent on desktops, software and office supplies; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That any positions, programs, expenditures and/or agreements or contracts authorized or established pursuant to this resolution shall terminate and cease upon discontinuance of said funding; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the 2021 Rensselaer County Adopted Budget shall be and hereby is amended as follows:

GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS

<u>CODE/DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
District Attorney - Victims Assistance Program			
A.1168.01007 OVS.D2Y2.01007			
Town Court Victim Liaison	\$28,839.00	\$ 2,335.00	\$31,174.00
A.1168.01007 OVS.D2Y2.01007 Victim Assistance Program Assistant	\$36,665.00	\$(26,030.00)	\$10,635.00
A.1168.01007 OVS.D2Y2.01007 Victim Assistance Program Director	\$59,651.00	\$ 2,433.00	\$62,084.00
A.1168.01007 OVS.D2Y2.01007 Victim Liaison	\$32,108.00	\$ 1,941.00	\$34,049.00
A.1168.02100 OVS.D2Y2.02100 Furniture	\$ 2,271.00	\$ (1,271.00)	\$ 1,000.00
A.1168.02400 OVS.D2Y2.02400 Other Equipment	\$ 1,974.00	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 8,974.00
A.1168.04010 OVS.D2Y2.04010 Travel	\$ 5,500.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 6,500.00
A.1168.04700 OVS.D2Y2.04700 Program Expenditures	\$ 7,950.00	<u>\$ 12,592.00</u>	\$20,542.00
Total General Fund Appropriations:		\$ 0.00	

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

July 13, 2021

Clerk of the Legislature

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Clerk of the Legislature



Executive Action

Approved _____ Date _____

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County Executive

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Grant, Tesman, Weaver

Sent To: Social Services

Committee

Date July, 13, 2021

Resolution No. G/230/21

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF TWO TOVERTAFEL 2 SYSTEMS - VAN RENSSELAER MANOR

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, The Van Rensselaer Manor has two (2) dementia care units, housing 80 residents with Alzheimer's disease or other forms of dementia, who are a unique population in long term care that require specialized care and activity programming; and

WHEREAS, The Tovertafel 2 uses the latest technology to provide programming to residents with a wide variety of capabilities and engage many of these residents simultaneously; and

WHEREAS, The Tovertafel 2 has the ability to increase physical activity, decrease restlessness and other behaviors and to increase positive emotions and social interaction; and

WHEREAS, The funding for this expenditure has been appropriated as follows:

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION CODE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Tovertafel 2 Systems (2 year subscription)	Tover North America	EH.08413.00	\$19,900.00

; and

WHEREAS, The purchase will be made in accordance with the purchasing guidelines set forth in the Purchasing Policies and Procedures of the County of Rensselaer; and

; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Director of the Bureau of Central Services, or his designee, is authorized to sign the above-referenced purchase order.

Resolution **ADOPTED** by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

July 13, 2021

Clerk of the Legislature

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Clerk of the Legislature



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Approved _____ Date _____

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County Executive

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Grant, Tesman, Weaver

Sent To: Social Services

Committee

Date July 13, 2021

Resolution No. G/7

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF PROTECTIVE BALLISTIC VESTS - DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, This past year was a record-breaking year for gun violence and homicides; and

WHEREAS, Rensselaer County is not immune to this trend and in early March 2021, there were multiple shootings in the City of Troy in less than 24 hours; and

WHEREAS, Over the past two years, neighborhoods that were once quiet have encountered drive-by shootings during daylight hours; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Mental Health ("Department") dispatches its Care Coordination units for Children and Youth and Adults and provides Mental Health Services to the public within the community in order to perform their duties of their profession; and

WHEREAS, These duties include providing Care Coordination for clients and their families in the community and their home and Social Workers providing Mental Health Services in clients homes in the community; and

WHEREAS, These employees may be in harm's way while visiting homes and or business within sections of the County where gun violence is more prevalent or where seriously mentally ill clients reside; and

WHEREAS, The Department wishes to make ballistic vests available to any worker interested in utilizing one when working with the public in the community; and

WHEREAS, The Department received a quotation from an authorized dealer, Atlantic Tactical, Inc. 238 Route 109, Farmingdale, New York 11735, under the New York State Contract for body armor, OGS contract number PC67148, The Safariland Group, for Thirty (30) 1221918-M Matrix Level II A7 Panel Sets and Concealable Carriers at a unit cost of \$610.40 for a total of \$18,312.00; and

WHEREAS, Reimbursement is available from state funding and Medicaid revenue received by the Department; and

WHEREAS, The purchase is in accordance with Rensselaer County Purchasing Procedures and is funded with appropriation code A.4321.02400, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Director of the Bureau of Central Services, or his designee, is authorized to sign a purchase order for the above-mentioned equipment.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

July 13, 2021

Clerk of the Legislature

Sent to County Executive _____

Received from County Executive _____

Clerk of the Legislature



Executive Action

Approved _____ Date _____

Disapproved _____
Veto Message Attached and Returned to Clerk

County Executive

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Grant, Tesman, Weaver

Sent To: Social Services

Committee

Date July 13, 2021

Resolution No. G/232/21

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AGREEMENTS WITH VARIOUS COUNTY SCHOOL
DISTRICTS FOR SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION -
DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH**

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, The Rensselaer County Department of Mental Health requests legislative authorization to approve contracts with the school districts listed below, as contained in their budgets, to provide prevention staff and substance abuse prevention services for the 2021-2022 school year; and

WHEREAS, The revenue Rensselaer County receives represents the school districts' share of the expenses to provide these services and has been approved by the New York State Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services ("OASAS"); and

WHEREAS, The start and end dates of such agreements, the source of funding of the same, total amount to be received over the life of the agreements and the names and addresses of the contracting parties are as follows:

<u>DESCRIPTION OF CONTRACT</u>	<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>REVENUE CODE</u>	<u>AMOUNT OF CONTRACT</u>
Student Assistance Programs Algonquin Middle School and Averill Park High School (7/01/21 - 6/30/22)	Averill Park Central School District 146 Gettle Road Averill Park NY 12018	A.4323.16301	\$ 85,164.00
Student Assistance Programs Berlin Jr/Sr High School (7/01/21 - 6/30/22)	Berlin Central Schools 17400 NY 22 Cherry Plain, NY 12040	A.4323.16301	\$ 42,582.00
Student Assistance Programs Troy High School (7/01/21 - 6/30/22)	Troy City School District 475 First Street Troy, NY 12180	A.4323.16301	\$ 42,582.00

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<u>DESCRIPTION OF CONTRACT</u>	<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>REVENUE CODE</u>	<u>AMOUNT OF CONTRACT</u>
Student Assistance Programs Rensselaer City Schools (7/01/21 - 6/30/22)	Rensselaer City School District 25 Van Rensselaer Dr Rensselaer, NY 12144	A.4323.16301	\$ 55,425.00
Student Assistance Programs Columbia High School & Goff Middle School (7/01/21 - 6/30/22)	East Greenbush Central Schools 29 Englewood Ave East Greenbush, NY 12061	A.4323.16301	\$ 42,582.00
Student Assistance Programs Turnpike Elementary & Lansingburgh Middle & High School (7/01/21- 6/30/22)	Lansingburgh Central Schools 55 New Turnpike Road Troy, NY 12182	A.4323.16301	\$ 85,164.00

;now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the above agreements are subject to the approval of the annual school budget by the residents of each district; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That any positions, programs, expenditures and/or agreements or contracts authorized or established pursuant to this Resolution shall terminate and cease upon discontinuance of said funding; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Executive, or his designee, is authorized to sign the above-referenced agreements subject to the approval as to form by the Rensselaer County Attorney.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

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County Executive

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Tesman, Grant, Weaver

Sent To: Judiciary & Public Safety

Committee

Date July 13, 2021

Resolution No. G/233/21

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF VIRTUAL ENVIRONMENT
UPGRADE OF THE COMPUTER SYSTEM AT RENSSELAER COUNTY OFFICE BUILDING
AND THE RENSSELAER COUNTY CORRECTIONAL FACILITY -
OFFICE OF THE RENSSELAER COUNTY SHERIFF**

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, Critical network systems which serve the computer needs of the Rensselaer County Sheriff's Office ("Sheriff's Office") require a comprehensive upgrade as well as replacement of the County's aging virtual environment; and

WHEREAS, As part of the 2011 Rensselaer County Jail Expansion Project, the Sheriff's Office purchased a network computing and storage solution system to meet the needs of an expanding modern correctional facility; and

WHEREAS, The Sheriff's Office consists of more than 200 users and over 30 continuously expanding servers that contain inmate records, medical records, police records, and an exponentially expanding document scanning and storage requirements that have outpaced the ability to maintain critical infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, The current virtual environment does not allow for the latest and most secure software to be used, leaving the County open to the possibility of being compromised, hacked and/or ransomed; and

WHEREAS, This critical upgrade is necessary to improve efficiency for the work environment, increase storage space for voluminous video files that need to be maintained, and increase the County's capacity to enable employees to work from home in the event of a pandemic or other disaster; and

WHEREAS, The purchase and installation of virtual environment upgrade will be through New York State contract number PM20830 through ePlus Technology, Inc., 1250 Pittsford-Victor Road, Suite 120, Pittsford, NY 14534; and

WHEREAS, The Office of the Rensselaer County Sheriff has budgeted the necessary funds in appropriation code A.3150.02400 (Other Equipment) at a cost not to exceed \$216,176.64; and

WHEREAS, The purchase is in accordance with Rensselaer County Purchasing Procedures and is funded with appropriation code A.3150.02400, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Director of the Bureau of Central Services, or his designee, is authorized to sign a purchase order for the above-mentioned equipment.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

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RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Herrington, Bayly, Fleming

Sent To: Public Works

Committee

Date July 13, 2021

Resolution No. G/234/21

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT - HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, The Highway Department ("Department") requires one (1) stainless steel dump body for a dump truck; and

WHEREAS, The Department has obtained two (2) quotes for the purchase and installation of a stainless steel dump body, in accordance with County Purchasing Guidelines, with T&T Sales, Inc. having the lowest initial cost; and

WHEREAS, That vendor, however, cannot get a dump body until January 1, 2022, and the Department needs the stainless steel dump body immediately to place a dump truck back into service; and

WHEREAS, The second lowest initial cost is from Zwack, Inc., which has a stainless steel dump body in stock and available for installation; and

WHEREAS, The Department has received approval from the Director of the Bureau of Central Services for the purchase from Zwack, Inc. of the stainless steel dump body, and also the approval for exemption of a third quote; and

WHEREAS, The name and address of the contracting party, the source of funding for this purchase, and the total amount to be expended for this purchase, which shall not exceed budgeted appropriations, are as follows:

<u>DESCRIPTION</u> <u>PURCHASE</u>	<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION</u> <u>CODE</u>	<u>AMOUNT OF</u> <u>EXPENSE</u>
(1) Model MR14SS4248-H1 Stainless Steel Dump Body with Installation	Zwack, Inc. Rt. 22 Stephentown, NY 12168	DM.5130.02400	\$43,585.00

; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Director of the Bureau of Central Services, or his designee, is authorized to sign a purchase order for the above-mentioned equipment.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

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County Executive

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Tesman, Grant, Weaver

Sent To: Judiciary & Public Safety

Committee

Date July 13, 2021

Resolution No. G/235/21

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A GRANT FROM THE NEW YORK STATE
DIVISION OF HOMELAND SECURITY AND EMERGENCY SERVICES AND AMENDING THE 2021
RENSSELAER COUNTY ADOPTED BUDGET - BUREAU OF PUBLIC SAFETY**

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, Rensselaer County has been awarded a \$144,186.00 Public Safety Answering Point ("PSAP") grant from the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services; and

WHEREAS, The grant, for a period of one year from January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021, will provide funding to the Bureau of Public Safety for the PSAP operational expenses; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That any positions, programs, expenditures and/or agreements or contracts authorized or established pursuant to this resolution shall terminate and cease upon discontinuance of said funding; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the 2021 Rensselaer County Adopted Budget shall be and hereby is amended as follows:

2021 GENERAL FUND REVENUE

<u>CODE/DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
A.3640.33972.PSAP.2021.33972 Other Public Safety Grants	\$ 0.00	\$144,826.00	\$144,826.00

2021 GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS

<u>CODE/DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
A.3640.01007.PSAP.2021.01007 Plus Transfers, Other Codes	\$ 0.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
A.3640.04300.PSAP.2021.04300 Telephone	\$ 0.00	\$125,126.00	\$125,126.00
A.3640.04560.PSAP.2021.04560 Training	\$ 0.00	\$ <u>9,700.00</u>	\$ 9,700.00
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS:		\$144,826.00	

; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Executive, or his designee, is authorized to sign the above-referenced grant agreement, subject to the approval as to form by the Rensselaer County Attorney.

Resolution **ADOPTED** by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

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RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Tesman, Grant, Weaver

Sent To: Judiciary & Public Safety

Committee

Date July, 13, 2021

Resolution No. G/236/21

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT FOR THE 911 PHONE SYSTEM SUPPORT - BUREAU OF PUBLIC SAFETY

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, The Rensselaer County Bureau of Public Safety seeks legislative authorization to renew an agreement for the 911 phone system support, utilizing funding from the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services; and

WHEREAS, The source of funding of the same, the total amount to be expended of the same, which shall not exceed budgeted appropriations, and the name and address of the contracting party are as follows:

<u>DESCRIPTION OF CONTRACT</u>	<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION CODE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Phone Maintenance (04/26/2021 - 04/25/2022)	TriTech Software Systems 1000 Business Center Dr. Lake Mary, FL 32746	A.3020.04420	\$ 88,426.82

; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Executive, or his designee, is authorized to sign the above-referenced agreement, subject to the approval as to form by the Rensselaer County Attorney.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

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RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Herrington, Bayly, Fleming

Sent To: Public Works

Committee

Date July 13, 2021

Resolution No. G/237/21

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATION OF HIGHWAY MACHINERY FUND BALANCE
AND AMENDING THE 2021 ADOPTED RENSSELAER COUNTY BUDGET -
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, The 2021 snow season and construction season have generated a higher than usual number of required repairs to the County Highway Department's ("Department") fleet of vehicles and heavy equipment; and

WHEREAS, The Department's 2021 budget for parts and repairs is nearly exhausted as the result of the higher than usual number of required repairs; and

WHEREAS, The Department requires an appropriation of fund balance to make funds available for additional purchases of repair parts, tires, and snow plow cutting edges and accessories to keep the fleet of heavy trucks operational for the balance of the current fiscal year; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the 2021 Adopted Rensselaer County Budget shall be and is hereby amended as follows:

COUNTY ROAD MACHINERY (DM) FUND OTHER SOURCES

<u>CODE</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
00911 Unappropriated Fund Balance	\$973,305.00	(\$100,000.00)	\$873,305.00

COUNTY ROAD MACHINERY (DM) FUND APPROPRIATIONS

<u>CODE</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
DM.5130.04500	\$470,000.00	\$100,000.00	\$570,000.00
Highway Machinery			
Special Dept. Supplies			

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

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RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Herrington, Bayly, Fleming

Sent To: Public Works

Committee

Date July 13, 2021

Resolution No. G/238/21

**RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A CAPITAL PROJECT FOR THE PURCHASE AND
INSTALLATION OF A SALT STORAGE SHED AND AMENDING THE 2021 RENSSELAER
COUNTY ADOPTED BUDGET -HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, The existing salt storage shed located at the Berlin maintenance facility is in poor condition and significantly undersized; and

WHEREAS, The Highway Department desires to replace the existing salt storage shed with a fabric-based shelter, with three (3) times the capacity to greatly improve the Berlin maintenance facility's effectiveness in responding to severe snow and ice storms; and

WHEREAS, The Department's employees will perform the necessary site preparation work required for the installation of the new salt storage shed; and

WHEREAS, Utilizing monies within the 2021 Rensselaer County Adopted Budget General Fund (A.9950.09003), the County wishes to establish a Capital Project for the purchase and installation of a salt storage shed at the Berlin maintenance facility; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the 2021 Rensselaer County Adopted Budget shall be and hereby is amended as follows:

CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND REVENUE

<u>CODE/DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
Highway - Machinery (Highway Garages)			
H.5130.50311 H1204 Interfund			
Transfers - General	\$ 0.00	\$170,000.00	\$170,000.00

CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND APPROPRIATIONS

<u>CODE/DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
Highway - Machinery (Highway Garages)			
H.5130.02500 H1204 General			
Capital Expenditures	\$ 0.00	\$170,000.00	\$170,000.00
Berlin Salt Shed			

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

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County Executive

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Herrington, Bayly, Fleming

Sent To: Public Works

Committee

Date July 13, 2021

Resolution No. G/239/21

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A SALT STORAGE SHED - HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, The County Legislature approved a Capital Project for the purchase and installation of a new salt storage shed at the County's Berlin maintenance facility; and

WHEREAS, The Highway Department has reviewed quotes available through various State of New York Sourcewell Contracts: Salt Storage Building (NYS Contract #091319-BRT); and

WHEREAS, The name and address of the contracting party, the source of funding for this purchase, and the total amount to be expended for this purchase, which shall not exceed budgeted appropriations, are as follows:

<u>DESCRIPTION OF EXPENSE</u>	<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION CODE</u>	<u>AMOUNT OF EXPENSE</u>
Purchase and installation of a 53 foot wide by 80 foot long canvas-based salt storage shed	Eagle Associates of Cazenovia, LLC 3592 Cobblestone Drive Cazenovia, NY 13035	H.5130.02500.H1204	\$144,356.06

; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Executive, or the Director of the Bureau of Central Services, as the case may be, shall be authorized to execute purchase orders for the above-described project.

Resolution **ADOPTED** by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

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County Executive

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Loveridge, Grant, Weaver, Stammel, Grimm

Sent To: Contracts & Agreements

Committee

Date July 13, 2021

Resolution No. G/240/21

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY OF RENSSELAER, NEW YORK AUTHORIZING THE NEGOTIATION, EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF AGREEMENTS RELATED TO AMENDING THE PHASE III ENERGY PERFORMANCE CONTRACT WITH SIEMENS INDUSTRY INC., BUILDING TECHNOLOGIES DIVISION, FOR IMPROVEMENTS AT THE VAN RENSSELAER MANOR - BUREAU OF CENTRAL SERVICES

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, Article 9 of the New York Energy Law (the "Act") authorizes municipalities and school districts to enter into contracts ("Energy Performance Contracts") for the provision of energy services, including but not limited to, electricity, heating, ventilation, cooling, steam or hot water, in which a person agrees to install, maintain, or manage energy systems or equipment to improve the energy efficiency of, or produce energy in connection with, a building or facility in exchange for a portion of the energy savings or revenues; and

WHEREAS, Rensselaer County (the "County") issued a Request for Proposals (RFP-13-37) for a performance-based energy savings and operations plan for various county facilities; and

WHEREAS, Based on the evaluation of the proposals, Siemens Industry Inc., Building Technologies Division ("Siemens") was selected to develop and implement a performance-based energy savings and operations plan; and

WHEREAS, The County entered into a performance contracting agreement ("Energy Performance Contract") with Siemens, dated March 1, 2014, for Siemens to complete facility improvement measures, including energy conservation measures, for the County to reduce energy and utility consumption at the Van Rensselaer Manor and, as a result, achieve energy cost savings for the County; and

WHEREAS, By Amendment No. 1, dated June 13, 2017, Amendment No. 2, dated April 7, 2020, and Amendment No. 3, dated August 7, 2020, the County and Siemens amended the Energy Performance Contract for Siemens to complete additional facility improvement measures, including energy conservation measures, for the County to further reduce energy and utility consumption at the Van Rensselaer Manor and, as a result, achieve further energy cost savings for the County; and

WHEREAS, In connection with Amendment No. 3, Siemens provided the County with Indoor Air Quality Test Report dated July 16, 2020 (the "IAQ Reports") and Energy Audit Summary Report dated July 24, 2020 (the "Energy Audit Report") which set forth facility improvement measures ("Phase III"), including energy conservation measures, for the County to further reduce energy and utility consumption at the Van Rensselaer Manor and, as a result, achieve further energy cost savings for the County; and

WHEREAS, The Phase III facility improvement measures include the installation of an O2-Prime Bi-Polar Needlepoint Ionization system toward improving the air quality at the Van Rensselaer Manor through reduction and/or eradication of airborne pathogens, as well as the completion of an indoor air quality testing program; and

WHEREAS, To achieve further energy savings and other quality improvements for the Van Rensselaer Manor, the County desires to enter into an agreement with Siemens to further amend the Energy Performance Contract ("Amendment No. 4") in order to modify the scope of work under Amendment No. 3 to provide for certain lighting and laundry component upgrades; and

WHEREAS, Medicaid reimbursement, other government funding, energy and associated savings, and/or other items have been identified as funding sources for the scope of work under Amendment No. 4 relating to Phase III; and now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the County Legislature of Rensselaer County, New York, as follows:

Section 1. In accordance with Section 9-103 of the Act, the County is hereby authorized to enter into one or more energy performance contracts, including Amendment No. 4 with Siemens, and related lease/purchase agreements with Siemens Public, Inc., including a First Amendment to Leasing Schedule #20004989, in a principal amount of approximately \$994,576, to provide financing for the lighting and laundry component upgrades relating to Phase III, as modified by Amendment No.4 (the "Agreements") pursuant to which Siemens will provide equipment, capital improvements, repairs, ongoing preventative maintenance and other services to improve the energy efficiency of Rensselaer County's Van Rensselaer Manor, as more particularly described in Amendment No. 4, and Siemens Public, Inc. will provide financing to pay costs of the lighting and laundry component upgrades described in Amendment No. 4 and reasonable costs of issuance relating thereto.

Section 2. The County Executive is hereby authorized to negotiate and deliver on behalf of the County the Agreements and all other certificates or instruments required in connection therewith provided, however, that all amounts payable by the County pursuant to the Agreements shall be subject to annual appropriation of such payments by the County Legislature. The County Executive is hereby authorized to prescribe the terms, forms and covenants of the Agreements.

Section 3. This resolution is intended to constitute the declaration of the County's "official intent" to reimburse the costs of the improvements described in Section 1 of this resolution with proceeds from the Agreements, as required by Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2.

Section 4. This resolution is not subject to a mandatory or permissive referendum.

Section 5. The County hereby determines that the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act and the regulations thereunder have previously been satisfied with respect to the expenditures authorized by this resolution.

Section 6. The execution and delivery of the Agreements are hereby authorized, with the assistance of, and subject to the approval of, the County Attorney.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

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County Executive

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Loveridge, Grant, Weaver, Stammel, Grimm

Sent To: Contracts & Agreements

Committee

Date July 13, 2021

Resolution No. G/17

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT FOR PAPER, PLASTIC AND ASSOCIATED FOOD SERVICE ITEMS - BUREAU OF CENTRAL SERVICES

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, The Rensselaer County Budget provides appropriations for the purchase of Paper, Plastic & Associated Food Service Items and following evaluation of bids submitted in response to RFB-21-21, award is recommended to Hill & Markes, Inc., P.O. Box 7, 1997 State Hwy. 5S, Amsterdam, NY 12010 based upon their low total bid amount of \$150,701.72; and

WHEREAS, The contract period will be effective for a five (5) month period effective August 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That purchases based upon RFB-21-21 shall not exceed appropriations within the applicable Budget codes for the various Departments utilizing the above described contract(s); and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Director of the Bureau of Central Services is authorized to sign purchase orders for the above products..

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

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RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Loveridge, Grant, Weaver, Stammel, Grimm

Sent To: Contracts & Agreements

Committee

Date July 13, 2021

Resolution No. G/242/21

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT FOR CLEANING PRODUCTS, CHEMICALS, SOLUTIONS AND MISCELLANEOUS JANITORIAL SUPPLIES - BUREAU OF CENTRAL SERVICES

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, The Rensselaer County Budget provides appropriations for the purchase of Cleaning Products, Chemicals, Solutions and Miscellaneous Janitorial Supplies and following evaluation of bids submitted in response to RFB-21-22, award is recommended to Hill & Markes, Inc., P.O. Box 7, 1997 State Hwy. 5S, Amsterdam, NY 12010 based upon their low total bid amount of \$118,900.09; and

WHEREAS, The contract period will be effective for a five (5) month period effective August 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That purchases based upon RFB-21-22 shall not exceed appropriations within the applicable Budget codes for the various Departments utilizing the above described contract(s); and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Director of the Bureau of Central Services is authorized to sign purchase orders for the above products.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

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RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Loveridge, Grant, Weaver, Bayly, Peter, Fleming

Sent To: Contracts & Agreements

Committee

Date July 13, 2021

Resolution No. G/243/21

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF FEDERAL FUNDS FOR COVID-19 RELIEF - UNIFIED FAMILY SERVICES - AGING

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, The Department for the Aging ("Department") has received \$527,567.00, available from April 1, 2021 through September 30, 2024, through the American Rescue Plan which has been provided for services for Congregate Meals, Home Delivered Meals, Senior Center services and Caregiver Services which because New York State has received a Major Disaster Declaration (MDD) from the federal government, can be used for any disaster relief services for older adults; and

WHEREAS, The Department has received \$18,637.00, available from April 1, 2021 through September 30, 2022, through the Expanding Access to COVID-19 Vaccines via the Aging Network (VAC5) to disseminate credible information about COVID-19 vaccines and help direct those with questions to additional sources of information, identify people who may need help getting a COVID-19 vaccination, including those who are unable to independently travel to a vaccination site, help with scheduling a COVID-19 vaccination appointment for those who need help, arrange or provide accessible transportation to COVID-19 vaccination sites, and provide technical assistance to local health departments and other entities on vaccine accessibility; and

WHEREAS, The Department has received \$16,003.00, available from April 1, 2021 through September 30, 2022, in federal stimulus funds through the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSA) to mitigate the adverse effects of the pandemic by supporting the provision of COVID-19 vaccination information, assistance, and access to older adults; and

WHEREAS, The grant funds will be added to the 2021 Rensselaer County Adopted Budget by a subsequent Resolution; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That any positions, programs, expenditures and/or agreements or contracts authorized or established pursuant to this resolution shall terminate and cease upon discontinuance of said funding; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Executive, or his designee, is authorized to accept and sign agreements for the above-referenced grants, subject to the approval as to form by the Rensselaer County Attorney.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

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County Executive

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Loveridge, Grant, Weaver, Bendett, Casale, Doran

Sent To: Contracts & Agreements

Committee

Date July 13, 2021

Resolution No. G/244/21

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING GRANT FUNDING FROM THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR THE CHILDHOOD LEAD POISONING PRIMARY PREVENTION PROGRAM - DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, The Rensselaer County Department of Health ("RCDOH") has been awarded a total of \$496,400.00 in grant funding for the Childhood Lead Poisoning Primary Prevention Program in order to extend the current contract for an additional eighteen months, April 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021; and

WHEREAS, This funding is for use in the identification and correction of lead based paint hazards in high risk housing without a referral for a childhood elevated blood lead level; and

WHEREAS, The RCDOH has set goals of identifying high risk housing, providing resources to the homeowners to remediate the lead hazard, and developing community partnerships to sustain the program past the life of the grant; and

WHEREAS, As per Resolution G/208/20, \$165,467.00 of this funding was already made available for the first six months of the noted period, April 1, 2020 through September 30, 2020; and

WHEREAS, The RCDOH is now able to be reimbursed for eligible expenses from the remaining twelve months of the noted period, October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021, up to the remaining \$330,933.00 of this funding; and

WHEREAS, There is no budget modification necessary at this time, as this additional award will be used to offset salary and fringe benefits for existing Department employees and purchase of supplies necessary for the program's operations, all of which is already appropriated in the Department's 2021 budget; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That any positions, programs, expenditures and/or agreements or contracts authorized or established pursuant to this Resolution shall terminate and cease upon discontinuance of said funding; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Executive, or his designee, is authorized to sign the above-referenced grant agreement, subject to the approval as to form by the Rensselaer County Attorney.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

July 13, 2021

Clerk of the Legislature

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Clerk of the Legislature



Executive Action

Approved _____ Date _____

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County Executive

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Loveridge, Grant, Weaver, Bendett, Casale, Doran

Sent To: Contracts & Agreements

Committee

Date July 13, 2021

Resolution No. G/245/21

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING OVERDOSE DATA TO ACTION GRANT FUNDING FROM THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND AMENDING THE 2021 RENSSELAER COUNTY ADOPTED BUDGET - DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, The New York State Department of Health ("NYSDOH") has awarded the Rensselaer County Department of Health ("RCDOH") \$72,000.00 through the Overdose Data to Action Grant (Opioid Crisis Funding) for the period of September 1, 2021 through August 31, 2022, such funding to be used for implementing evidence-based interventions to address the opioid epidemic facing Rensselaer County; and

WHEREAS, Per Resolution G/349/19, NYSDOH has stated this grant, awarded through a contractual agreement with Health Research, Inc., will be renewable for a total of three years, September 1, 2019 through August 31, 2022, at the same \$72,000.00 per year; and

WHEREAS, It is anticipated that the portion of this funding to be received within 2021 will total \$29,942.00; and

WHEREAS, Should the needs of the County change, the grant budget would be modified as required by NYSDOH; and

WHEREAS, The Rensselaer County Department of Health wishes to amend its budget in order to accept such funding from the State and to expend the funds for costs incurred during the term of the grant; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That any positions, programs, expenditures and/or agreements or contracts authorized or established pursuant to this resolution shall terminate and cease upon discontinuance of said funding; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the 2021 Rensselaer County Adopted Budget shall be and is hereby amended as follows:

GENERAL FUND REVENUE

<u>CODE</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
A.4017.34026	\$102,866.00	\$29,942.00	\$132,808.00
.OCF.2019.34026			
Public Health Preparedness - Opioid Crisis Funding			

GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS

<u>CODE</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
<u>A.4017 Department of Health - Division of Nursing</u>			
A.4017.01007 .OCF.2019.01007 Director of Public Health	\$ 6,559.00	\$ 4,128.00	\$ 10,687.00
A.4017.01007 .OCF.2019.01007 Secretary to Public Health Director	\$ 1,463.00	\$ 752.00	\$ 2,215.00
A.4017.01007 .OCF.2019.01007 Sr. Fiscal Coordinator	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,050.00	\$ 1,050.00
A.4017.01007 .OCF.2019.01007 Local Public Health Educator	\$ 7,753.00	\$ 5,420.00	\$ 13,173.00
A.4017.01007 .OCF.2019.01007 Public Health Planner	\$ 10,646.00	\$ 6,965.00	\$ 17,611.00
A.4017.04500 .OCF.2019.04500 Special Dept. Supplies	\$ 16,250.00	\$ 2,667.00	\$ 18,917.00
A.4017.04800 .OCF.2019.04800 Contractual Agency	\$ 41,034.00	<u>\$ 8,960.00</u>	\$ 49,994.00
Total Appropriations:		\$29,942.00	

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

July 13, 2021

Clerk of the Legislature

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Approved _____ Date _____

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Veto Message Attached and Returned to Clerk

County Executive

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Bayly, Bendett, Fleming

Sent To: Planning & Tourism

Committee

Date July 13, 2021

Resolution No. G/246/21

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SCHEDULING OF A PUBLIC HEARING DATE - BUREAU OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, The 1974 Housing and Community Development Act established the Small Cities Community Development Block Grant program, and pursuant to that program will be making 2021 federal fiscal year funds available to municipalities and continues on a competitive basis to address their housing and community development needs; and

WHEREAS, The New York State public participation plan requires a public hearing prior to the filing of an application; and

WHEREAS, There would be no fiscal impact to the County since the programs to be created by such grants will be entirely federally funded; and

RESOLVED, That in accordance with 24 CFR 570.486 and New York State's public participation plan, a Public Hearing will be held in the Chambers of the Rensselaer County Legislature at the County Office Building, Troy, New York on Tuesday, August 10, 2021, at 5:30 p.m. to explain New York State regulations, review eligible and proposed program activities and receive citizens' comments and recommendations for a Small Cities application; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Legislature cause notice of such hearing to be published in the official newspapers of the County of Rensselaer.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

July 13, 2021

Clerk of the Legislature

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County Executive

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Loveridge, Stammel, Grimm

Sent To: Budget & Finance

Committee

Date July 13, 2021

Resolution No. G/247/21

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CONVEYANCE OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY TO THE FORMER OWNER LISTED BELOW, WHO PAID TAX ARREARAGE IN FULL PRIOR TO SCHEDULING OF AUCTION SALE - BUREAU OF FINANCE

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to a judgment of the Rensselaer County Court dated December 22, 2020, and entered in the Office of the Rensselaer County Clerk on December 23, 2020, and a deed executed to the County of Rensselaer dated April 9, 2021, and recorded on April 13, 2021, in the Office of the Rensselaer County Clerk, the County of Rensselaer did acquire title to the following parcel:

Town of Stephentown Dascanio, Marlene 217.-1-32

; and

WHEREAS, The former owner of the improved parcel listed above remitted payment in full of the tax arrearage owed for said parcel to the County of Rensselaer; and

WHEREAS, Such sum has been tendered with a request that the parcel be reconveyed to the former owner; and

WHEREAS, The County has previously approved real property transfers to private individuals under similar terms and conditions; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the County of Rensselaer does hereby authorize the sale of the above listed parcel; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Executive, or his designee, is authorized to sign such deeds and other documents as may be necessary to complete the transaction, with all said documents being subject to the approval as to form by the Rensselaer County Attorney.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

July 13, 2021

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County Executive

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Loveridge, Grant, Weaver, Bayly, Bendett, Fleming

Sent To: Contracts & Agreements

Committee

Date July 13, 2021

Resolution No. G/248/21

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO SUBMIT A REBUILDING AMERICAN INFRASTRUCTURE WITH SUSTAINABILITY AND EQUITY GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION - BUREAU OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, Rensselaer County has previously promoted construction of a trail along the waterfront between the cities of Rensselaer and Troy, and adopted a resolution (G/433/06) which agreed to cooperate with the Cities of Rensselaer and Troy and the Town of North Greenbush to pursue funding opportunities for the creation of the trail and cooperate in the management and maintenance of the trail; and

WHEREAS, The U.S. Department of Transportation has created the Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity ("RAISE") Grant Program to provide funding for sustainable and equitable transportation projects including multi-use trails; and

WHEREAS, The aforesaid waterfront trail will provide non-motorized access between the cities of Rensselaer and Troy, which are considered eligible cities due to the lower income and percentage of disadvantaged residents in these cities; and

WHEREAS, The waterfront trail will improve access for residents to jobs, education, entertainment and healthcare by reducing the travel distance between the cities to four miles from the Public Safety Building in Troy to the northern Rensselaer neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, The County of Rensselaer, an eligible applicant, intends to submit an application for the amount of \$5,000,435.00 in federal funds, equal to 80% of the total project cost of \$6,263,265.00; and

WHEREAS, The County previously accepted a grant through the Dormitory Authority of New York State, in Resolution G/347/19, in the amount of \$250,000.00, that would be used as part of the required 20% local funding match, with other portions of the local funding match including easement right-of-way donation, in-kind and force account labor, other possible grants including Hudson River Valley Conservancy Trail Grant, and cash, a fiscal impact of \$1,012,830.00 may, therefore, occur from the application and subsequent construction of the trail; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Executive is hereby authorized, as the official representative of the County of Rensselaer, to submit the RAISE Grant Program Application, with all understandings, assurances, rules and regulations contained therein; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Executive, as the official representative of the County of Rensselaer, is hereby directed and authorized to act in connection with the submission of the RAISE application and sign all documents that bind the County in the submission of the application, subject to the approval as to form by the Rensselaer County Attorney.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

July 13, 2021

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Clerk of the Legislature



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County Executive

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Herrington, Bayly, Fleming

Sent To: Public Works

Committee

Date July 13, 2021

Resolution No. G/249/21

RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2021 RENSSELAER COUNTY ADOPTED BUDGET - GENERAL, COUNTY ROAD AND CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, Rensselaer County has worked to provide a comprehensive and compassionate response to the pandemic, devoting considerable resources to vaccinations, testing and care related to the COVID-19 outbreak; and

WHEREAS, Despite the challenges presented by the pandemic, Rensselaer County has continued to utilize fiscally responsible policies, and for fiscal year 2020, generated a savings of \$18 million, in addition to savings from previous years; and

WHEREAS, In 2020, Rensselaer County set a record by paving 50 miles of county roads in one year, recognizing the importance of the county road network for residents, businesses and tourists; and

WHEREAS, The Rensselaer County Executive has again made it a priority to invest in the County's highway road system, and has announced the Drive for 65 to pave 65 miles of county roads in 2021; and

WHEREAS, Utilizing the savings from 2020 and the fund balance within the General Fund, the County wishes to add monies into the County Road Fund to enhance the County's highway road system; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the 2021 Rensselaer County Adopted Budget shall be and hereby is amended as follows:

GENERAL FUND OTHER SOURCES

<u>CODE/DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
Assigned Fund Balance			
A.00915	\$23,400,000.00	\$(2,000,000.00)	\$21,400,000.00

GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS

<u>CODE/DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
Transfers to Capital Funds			
A.9950.09003 Transfers to Capital Funds	\$ 4,355,000.00	\$ 2,000,000.00	\$ 6,355,000.00

COUNTY ROAD FUND OTHER SOURCES

<u>CODE/DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
Highway - Road Maintenance			
D.00911 Unappropriated Fund Balance	\$2,669,446.00	\$ (400,000.00)	\$2,269,446.00

COUNTY ROAD FUND REVENUE

<u>CODE/DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
Highway - Road Maintenance			
D.5110.50311 Interfund Transfers - General	\$ 3,123,238.00	\$ 2,000,000.00	\$ 5,123,238.00

COUNTY ROAD FUND APPROPRIATIONS

<u>CODE/DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
Highway - Road Maintenance			
D.5110.04500 Special Departmental Supplies	\$ 347,862.50	\$ 1,500,000.00	\$ 1,847,862.50
D.5110.04800 Contractual Agency	\$ 2,203,325.00	\$ 900,000.00	\$ 3,103,325.00
Total County Road Fund Appropriations:		\$ 2,400,000.00	

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

July 13, 2021

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County Executive

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Grant, Tesman, Weaver

Sent To: Social Services

Committee

Date July 13, 2021

Resolution No. G/250/21

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING REAPPOINTMENT OF THERESA BEAUDOIN AS COMMISSIONER OF THE RENSSELAER COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES - COUNTY EXECUTIVE

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, Theresa Beaudoin was originally appointed Commissioner of Social Services in August 2016 after the retirement of Randy Hall; and

WHEREAS, Steven F. McLaughlin, Rensselaer County Executive, has reappointed Theresa Beaudoin as Commissioner of Social Services, pursuant to Section 9.00 of the Rensselaer County Charter; and

WHEREAS, This reappointment is subject to the confirmation by the Rensselaer County Legislature; and

WHEREAS, That reappointment is also subject to approval by the New York State Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the reappointment of Theresa Beaudoin as Commissioner of the Rensselaer County Department of Social Services, by Rensselaer County Executive Steven F. McLaughlin, be and the same is hereby confirmed.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

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County Executive

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Tesman, Grant, Weaver

Sent To: Judiciary & Public Safety

Committee

Date July 13, 2021

Resolution No. G/251/21

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF FIRE TRAINING EQUIPMENT - BUREAU OF PUBLIC SAFETY

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, The Bureau of Public Safety seeks legislative approval to purchase new fire training equipment for the new fire training tower; and

WHEREAS, The request for proposal (RFP-21-26) for the equipment was properly noticed and sent to interested vendors, with the proposal from Lion Protects/Bullex Digital Safety rated as the best of the three responses; and

WHEREAS, The source of funding, the total amount to be expended, which shall not exceed budgeted appropriations, and the name and address of the contracting party are as follows:

<u>CONTRACT DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION CODE</u>	<u>CONTRACT AMOUNT</u>
Live Fire Props	Lion Protects 20 Corporate Circle Suite 3 Albany, NY 12203	H.3097.02500. H1176	\$404,276.00

; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Executive, or his designee, is authorized to sign the above referenced contract, subject to the approval as to form by the Rensselaer County Attorney.

Resolution **ADOPTED** by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

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RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Tesman, Grant, Weaver

Sent To: Judiciary & Public Safety

Committee

Date July 13, 2021

Resolution No. G/252/21

RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2021 RENSSELAER COUNTY ADOPTED BUDGET - STOP-DWI

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, A portion of grant funding with Stop-DWI ("Department") was not used in 2020, and, as such, the Department wishes to roll the unexpended grant funding into the 2021 Rensselaer County Adopted Budget; and

WHEREAS, This program is fully funded by monies from the New York State Stop-DWI Foundation and will produce no fiscal impact on Rensselaer County; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That any positions, programs, expenditures, and/or agreements or contracts authorized or established pursuant to this resolution shall terminate and cease upon discontinuance of said funding; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the 2021 Rensselaer County Adopted Budget shall be and hereby is amended as follows:

GENERAL FUND REVENUE

<u>CODE/DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
Stop-DWI Program			
A.3315.30895 CD.2020.30895			
DWI Crackdown	\$ 0.00	\$20,559.00	\$20,559.00

GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS

<u>CODE/DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
Stop-DWI Program A.3315.04900 CD.2020.04900 Professional Services	\$ 0.00	\$20,559.00	\$20,559.00

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

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County Executive

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Loveridge, Grant, Weaver, Herrington, Bayly, Fleming

Sent To: Contracts & Agreements

Committee

Date July 13, 2021

Resolution No. G/253/21

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT - HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, The Highway Department has a need to acquire equipment to perform normal highway operations; and

WHEREAS, The Highway Department requires: One (1) Doosan DL250 Wheeled Loader and Bucket; and

WHEREAS, The Highway Department has reviewed various SourceWell contracts, for a Wheeled Loader with Bucket; and

WHEREAS, The names and address of the contracting party, the source of funding for this purchase, and the total amount to be expended for this purchase, which shall not exceed budgeted appropriations, are as follows:

<u>DESCRIPTION OF EXPENSE</u>	<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION CODE</u>	<u>AMOUNT OF EXPENSE</u>
(1) Doosan DL250 Wheeled Loader and bucket	Capital Tractor 1135 NY 29 Greenwich, NY 12834	H.5130.02500 H1203	\$153,954.65

; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Executive or the Director of the Bureau of Central Services, as the case may be, is authorized to sign purchase orders for the above-described equipment.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

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RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Loveridge, Grant, Weaver, Herrington, Bayly, Fleming

Sent To: Contracts & Agreements

Committee

Date July 13, 2021

Resolution No. G/254/21

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT - HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, The Highway Department requires: two (2) heavy duty tandem axle dump trucks with stainless steel dump body, plow, wing, and all necessary hydraulics and attachments; and

WHEREAS, The Highway Department has reviewed quotes available through various State of New York Sourcewell Contracts: #060920-NVS, for heavy duty tandem axle dump truck with stainless steel dump body, plow, wing, and all necessary hydraulics and attachments; and

WHEREAS, The names and address of the contracting party, the source of funding for this purchase, and the total amount to be expended for this purchase, which shall not exceed budgeted appropriations, are as follows:

<u>DESCRIPTION OF EXPENSE</u>	<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION CODE</u>	<u>AMOUNT OF EXPENSE</u>
(2) HV513 SFA 6x4 heavy duty tandem axle dump trucks with stainless steel dump body, plow, wing, and all necessary hydraulics and attachments	Delurey Sales and Service Inc. 21967 Rt 22 North Hoosick, NY 12133	H.5130.02500 H1203	\$541,748.00

; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Executive or the Director of the Bureau of Central Services, as the case may be, is authorized to sign purchase orders for the above-described equipment.

Resolution **ADOPTED** by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

July 13, 2021

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Clerk of the Legislature



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County Executive

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Tesman, Grant, Weaver

Sent To: Judiciary & Public Safety

Committee

Date July 13, 2021

Resolution No. G/255/21

**RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A GRANT AWARD FROM THE NEW YORK STATE DIVISION OF
CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICES FOR CRIMINAL JUSTICE DISCOVERY REFORM,
AUTHORIZING AGREEMENTS WITH VARIOUS LOCAL POLICE DEPARTMENTS,
AUTHORIZING PURCHASES, AND AMENDING THE 2021 RENSSELAER COUNTY
ADOPTED BUDGET - DISTRICT ATTORNEY, SHERIFF AND PROBATION**

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, Rensselaer County was awarded a \$623,005.00 grant from the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services ("DCJS") for Criminal Justice Discovery Reform; and

WHEREAS, The Bureau of Budget worked with the District Attorney, Sheriff, Probation and local Police Departments to prepare an application to DCJS to accept these funds, which was submitted at the end of May 2021; and

WHEREAS, On June 23, 2021, the County received these funds from New York State; and

WHEREAS, These funds will be utilized to fund personnel (including overtime) and fringe benefits, computer hardware and software, office equipment and supplies, legal publications, electronic monitoring, vehicle camera upgrades, etc.; and

WHEREAS, Funding will be used to cover expenses related to discovery and/or bail reform that took place in 2020 and so far in 2021, and going forward in 2021; and

WHEREAS, All purchases, made under this grant, will be done under the purchasing guidelines set forth in the Purchasing Policies and Procedures of the County of Rensselaer; and

WHEREAS, Payments, which were approved by DCJS, shall be made to the following local police departments:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Vendor/Address</u>	<u>Appropriation Code</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Discovery Reform Funding	Town of East Greenbush 225 Columbia Turnpike Rensselaer, NY 12144	A.3110.04800.DSCVR	\$55,775.00
Discovery Reform Funding	City of Troy - Police 55 State Street Troy, NY 12180	A.3110.04800.DSCVR	\$46,500.00

; and

WHEREAS, The District Attorney's Office wishes to purchase, from appropriation code A.1165.02400.DSCVR, two servers for enhanced security, efficient data storage and enhanced data connectivity; and

WHEREAS, The District Attorney's Office received three quotes, the lowest quote was from ePlus Technology, Inc., 1250 Pittsford-Victor Road, Suite 120, Pittsford, NY 14534, at a unit cost of \$9,695.03, for a total cost of \$19,390.06; and

WHEREAS, The Sheriff's Office wishes to purchase and install, from appropriation code A.3110.02400.DSCVR, vehicle cameras so that all vehicle cameras are on the same system; and

WHEREAS, The Sheriff's Office received a quote, from a sole source vendor, 10-8 Video LLC, 1423 Huntsville Highway, Suite F, Fayetteville, TN 37334, for a total purchase cost of \$29,214.95, and these vehicle cameras will be installed by Larosa's Automotive Inc. for a total cost of \$9,000.00; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Executive, or his designee, is authorized to sign the above referenced grant agreement, subject to the approval as to form by the Rensselaer County Attorney; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Executive, or his designee, is authorized to sign the above-referenced purchase contracts, subject to the approval as to form by the Rensselaer county Attorney; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the 2021 Rensselaer County Adopted Budget shall be and hereby is amended as follows:

GENERAL FUND REVENUE

<u>CODE/DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
District Attorney - Discovery Reform			
A.1165.33907.DSCVR			
Discovery Reform	\$ 0.00	\$ 29,190.00	\$ 29,190.00
Sheriff - Discovery Reform			
A.3110.33907.DSCVR			
Discovery Reform	\$ 0.00	\$185,155.00	\$185,155.00
Probation - Discovery Reform			
A.3140.33907.DSCVR			
Discovery Reform	\$ 0.00	\$ 13,729.00	\$ 13,729.00
Total General Fund Revenue:		\$228,074.00	

GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS

<u>CODE/DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
District Attorney			
A.1165.01007			
Assistant District Attorney	\$833,408.00	\$(54,487.00)	\$778,921.00
A.1165.01007 Confidential Assistant			
for Discovery Compliance	\$ 88,097.00	\$(88,097.00)	\$ 0.00
A.1165.02400			
Other Equipment	\$ 2,750.00	\$ (1,250.00)	\$ 1,500.00
A.1165.04010			
Travel	\$ 9,500.00	\$ (1,000.00)	\$ 8,500.00
A.1165.04300			
Telephone	\$ 11,000.00	\$ (1,000.00)	\$ 10,000.00
A.1165.04500 Special			
Departmental Supplies	\$ 3,500.00	\$ (2,500.00)	\$ 1,000.00
A.1165.04540			
Publications	\$ 19,750.00	\$ (1,750.00)	\$ 18,000.00
A.1165.04550			
Office Supplies	\$ 14,750.00	\$ (4,750.00)	\$ 10,000.00
A.1165.04560			
Training	\$ 9,875.00	\$ (7,375.00)	\$ 2,500.00
A.1165.04700			
Program Expenditures	\$ 26,400.00	\$ (5,200.00)	\$ 21,200.00
A.1165.080008			
Employee Benefits	\$ 53,185.00	\$(53,185.00)	\$ 0.00

GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS (CONTINUED)

<u>CODE/DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
District Attorney - Discovery Reform			
A.1165.01007.DSCVR			
Assistant District Attorney	\$ 0.00	\$ 54,487.00	\$ 54,487.00
A.1165.01007.DCSVR Confidential Assistant for Discovery Compliance	\$ 0.00	\$ 88,097.00	\$ 88,097.00
A.1165.02400.DSCVR			
Other Equipment	\$ 0.00	\$ 42,865.00	\$ 42,865.00
A.1165.04540.DSCVR			
Publications	\$ 0.00	\$ 7,410.00	\$ 7,410.00
A.1165.04550.DSCVR			
Office Supplies	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
A.1165.04700.DSCVR			
Program Expenditures	\$ 0.00	\$ 2,240.00	\$ 2,240.00
A.1165.08008.DCSVR			
Employee Benefits	\$ 0.00	\$ 53,185.00	\$ 53,185.00
Sheriff - Discovery Reform			
A.3110.01007.DSCVR			
Overtime	\$ 0.00	\$ 15,045.00	\$ 15,045.00
A.3110.02400.DSCVR			
Other Equipment	\$ 0.00	\$ 46,750.00	\$ 46,750.00
A.3110.04550.DSCVR			
Office Supplies	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,157.00	\$ 1,157.00
A.3110.04800.DSCVR			
Contractual Agency	\$ 0.00	\$122,203.00	\$122,203.00
Probation			
A.3140.04450 Rental - Equipment/ Maintenance/Facilities	\$364,505.00	\$(10,000.00)	\$354,505.00

GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS (CONTINUED)

<u>CODE/DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
Probation - Discovery Reform			
A.3140.04450.DSCVR Rental - Equipment/ Maintenance/Facilities	\$ 0.00	\$ 22,779.00	\$ 22,779.00
A.3140.04550.DSCVR Office Supplies	\$ 0.00	\$ 950.00	\$ 950.00
Total General Fund Appropriations:		\$228,074.00	

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

July 13, 2021

Clerk of the Legislature

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Clerk of the Legislature



Executive Action

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County Executive

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Casale, Bendett, Doran

Sent To: Education

Committee

Date July 13, 2021

Resolution No. G/256/21

RESOLUTION ADOPTING A BUDGET FOR HUDSON VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOR THE PERIOD OF SEPTEMBER 1, 2021 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2022

WHEREAS, The President of Hudson Valley Community College has submitted a budget for fiscal year 2021-2022, as approved by the College's Board of Trustees for enactment by the Rensselaer County Legislature; and

WHEREAS, In compliance with Section 6304 of the Education Law and Section 359 of County Law, a public hearing will be conducted for the purpose of reviewing the tentative budget of Hudson Valley Community College for the fiscal year 2021-2022; and

WHEREAS, The College's Board of Trustees, at their meeting of May 25, 2021, approved an operating budget for Hudson Valley Community College for the period September 1, 2021 and concluding August 31, 2022 totaling \$89,397,678; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That pursuant to Section 6304 of the Education Law of the State of New York, a budget in the amount of \$89,397,678 be and the same is hereby adopted for Hudson Valley Community College, for the period beginning September 1, 2021 and concluding on August 31, 2022; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the County of Rensselaer, as the sponsor of Hudson Valley Community College, shall contribute \$5,475,900 to said budget with payment made on or before August 31, 2022.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

July 13, 2021

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County Executive

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Loveridge, Stammel, Grimm

Sent To: Budget & Finance

Committee

Date July 13, 2021

Resolution No. G/257/21

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO NTS DATA SERVICES, LLC FOR
THE PRINTING OF MANDATORY MAIL CHECK CARDS
FOR THE BOARD OF ELECTIONS**

WHEREAS, NTS Data Services, LLC, 2079 Sawyer Drive, Niagara Falls, NY 14304 is the sole provider and only compatible system for Rensselaer County Board of Elections NTS Team System; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Elections is mandated to mail verification cards to all registered voters who have not previously received cards in 2021; and

WHEREAS, NTS Data Services, LLC has provided us with a quote of \$0.23 per card for 103,377 voters, now, therefore; be it

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Legislature authorize a payment of \$23,776.71 to NTS Data Services LLC for the printing of mail check cards, payment through Budget Code A. 1450.04100.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

July 13, 2021

Clerk of the Legislature

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Veto Message Attached and Returned to Clerk

County Executive

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Stammel, Hoffman, Loveridge, Herrington, Bayly, Bendett, Casale, Fiacco, Grant, Patire, Peter, Tesman, Wysocki

Sent To: Rules & Legislative Operations

Committee

Date July 13, 2021

Resolution No. G/258/21

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT FUNDING APPLICATION FOR A WASTEWATER INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENT

WHEREAS, The Rensselaer County Sewer District (RCSD) No. 1 Wastewater Treatment Plant is required by New York State Department of Environmental Protection under Order on Consent CO 4-20120911-01 to meet the hydraulic loading rates stated under Best Management Practice #5 of the County's SPDES Permit NY0087971; and

WHEREAS, The improvements have been identified by engineering consultants that are necessary to meet the hydraulic loading rates; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body has authorized over \$80 million of improvement projects to the RCSD Wastewater Treatment Plant, of which many projects were mandated by New York State; and

WHEREAS, The Rensselaer County Sewer District is now regarded as a state of the art facility, that designation comes with a cost that is financed by ratepayers; and

WHEREAS, The Rensselaer County Sewer District tries to keep sewer rates stable, it desires to seek available grant funding to assist in offsetting the cost of construction of these improvements; and

WHEREAS, The New York State DEC Water Quality Improvement Project (WQIP) Program provides grants for this type of project; and

WHEREAS, The Rensselaer County Sewer District has determined that the aforesaid action constitutes a Type II action as defined under SEQRA regulations, 6 NYCRR §617; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Legislature hereby authorizes the RCS D Engineer Derrick Gardner, or his designee, to make all necessary certifications and take such action, as required, to execute the grant application to WQIP.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

July 13, 2021

Clerk of the Legislature

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Received from County Executive _____

Clerk of the Legislature



Executive Action

Approved _____ Date _____

Disapproved _____
Veto Message Attached and Returned to Clerk

County Executive

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Herrington, Wysocki, Peter, Stammel, Hoffman, Loveridge, Bayly, Bendett, Casale, Fiacco, Grant, Patire
Tesman, Grimm, Doran, Burns, Fleming, Sullivan-Teta, Weaver

Sent To: Rules & Legislative Operations

Committee

Date July 13, 2021

Resolution No. P/259/21

RESOLUTION COMMENDING BAYLEE HOAG UPON THE OCCASION OF BEING CROWNED 2021-2022 RENSSELAER COUNTY DAIRY PRINCESS

WHEREAS, The youth of today are our leaders of tomorrow and to recognize the accomplishments of those who are exceptional will inspire others to emulate their achievements, ensuring a brighter future for our community; and

WHEREAS, Fully in accord with its longstanding traditions, it is the intent of this Legislative Body to acknowledge with profound respect and admiration, Baylee Hoag, for being named the 2021-2022 Rensselaer County Dairy Princess; and

WHEREAS, The Rensselaer County Dairy Princess is reviewed by a judging committee to insure that the chosen young woman can embark on an experience that is meaningful for her personally, enhances her community in some way, and is consistent with the meaning of the dairy experience in her life; and

WHEREAS, This award recognizes the accomplishments, growth and the pursuit of multifaceted endeavors that involve young women who exhibit a knowledge of the dairy industry as well as a willingness to serve as a Dairy Ambassador while developing leadership skills and contributing to the dairy community; and

WHEREAS, The name of Baylee Hoag, has been added to the roster of successful young women who have achieved the unique distinction of Dairy Princess; this merited award is tangible evidence of Courtney's high character and commitment, indicative of her future service to her community; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body shall inscribe upon its records this tribute to Baylee Hoag, so that future generations may know and appreciate her admirable character, her many achievements and the respect and esteem in which she is held; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations and most joyously commend Baylee Hoag for her outstanding achievement, fully confident that such pause symbolizes our shared commitment to the ideals of community, volunteer and public service which are part of our American Heritage; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Legislature transmit a copy of this resolution, suitably engrossed, to 2020-2021 Rensselaer County Dairy Princess, Baylee Hoag.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

July 13, 2021

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Grant, Stammel, Hoffman, Loveridge, Herrington, Bayly, Bendett, Casale, Fiacco, Patire, Peter, Tesman, Wysocki, Grimm, Doran, Burns, Fleming, Sullivan-Teta, Weaver

Sent To: Rules & Legislative Operations

Committee

Date July 13, 2021

Resolution No. P/260/21

RESOLUTION TURNING RENSSELAER COUNTY TEAL IN RECOGNITION OF OVARIAN CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS, Each year, approximately 21,980 women will be diagnosed with ovarian cancer. Many women don't seek help until the disease has begun to spread, but if detected at its earliest stage (Stage 1), the five-year survival rate is more than 93%; and approximately 14,000 will die a year; and

WHEREAS, The symptoms of ovarian cancer are often subtle and easily confused with other ailments; and

WHEREAS, Most new cases of ovarian cancer are diagnosed at Stage 3 or later, meaning the cancer has already begun to spread to the lymph nodes and outside of the pelvis; and

WHEREAS, Turn The Towns Teal is a national campaign to make women and men aware of ovarian cancer, its subtle symptoms and risk factors since it has been proven that "the earlier the diagnosis, the better the prognosis"; and

WHEREAS, During National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month in September, volunteers from "Turn the Town Teal" call attention to this disease by displaying biodegradable, USA-made ribbons in various locations like town centers, businesses, places of worship, neighborhoods and on individual properties; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That September 2021 is hereby proclaimed Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month in Rensselaer County; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Legislature does support the "Turn the Town Teal" campaign.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

July 13, 2021

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Grimm, Doran, Burns, Fleming, Sullivan-Teta, Weaver, Stammel, Hoffman, Loveridge, Herrington, Bayly, Bendett, Casale, Fiacco, Grant, Patire, Peter, Tesman, Wysocki

Sent To: Rules & Legislative Operations

Committee

Date July 13, 2021

Resolution No. P/261/21

RESOLUTION COMMENDING UNITY HOUSE UPON THE OCCASION OF ITS FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY

WHEREAS, Consistent with the duty of this Legislative Body to acknowledge those individuals and institutions who have contributed to the vitality of Rensselaer County, we recognize with profound respect and admiration an important milestone in the history of the community; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such duty and fully in accord with its longstanding traditions, it is the intent of this Legislative Body to convey its compliments and felicitations to Unity House on the occasion of its fiftieth anniversary; and

WHEREAS, Unity House has a mission statement that fully explains their dedication to people in need of their help. The statement reads: "Unity House is dedicated to enhancing the quality of life for people living in poverty, adults with mental illness, victims of domestic violence, children with developmental delays and their families, people living with HIV/AIDS, and others whose needs can effectively be met by Unity House services and philosophy. Unity House provides direct service and works toward social justice. We help individuals identify their strengths and needs, draw upon their abilities, and access community resources. We educate, collaborate with others and advocate to influence public policy and to create awareness of the people we serve and the issues they face"; and

WHEREAS, In July, 1971 a nun, Mary Jane Smith, and two Franciscan friars, Regis Obijiski and Peter Callaghan, opened the doors of a dilapidated building on Eighth Street that was to be the base of their effort to reach out to the community; and

WHEREAS, Since its inception, Unity House has grown to meet the increasing needs of those living in Rensselaer County and surrounding communities by providing crisis intervention, advocacy, information, resources, encouragement and support. In 2013, Unity House moved to its present location: a community resource center called "The Front Door" on Sixth Avenue. Consolidating many services under one roof has allowed for greater programming that serves more people while, for the first time, offering space for the community; and

WHEREAS, Unity House is a Rensselaer County-based human service agency that provides a wide range of services to meet the otherwise unmet needs of people in our community who are hurting and struggling. Unity House embraces the view that everyone deserves equal economic, political, and social rights. They work together to open the doors of access and opportunity for everyone, particularly those in greatest need. They work to achieve social justice in our community and to create a better understanding of those we serve; and

WHEREAS, Unity House is dedicated to enhancing the quality of life for disadvantaged people as well as others whose needs can effectively be met by Unity House services and philosophy. They help individuals identify their strengths and needs, draw upon their abilities and access community resources. They educate, collaborate with others, and advocate to influence public policy and create awareness of the people we serve and the issues they face; and

WHEREAS, Unity House has continued to work tirelessly throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, providing food, housing, and clothing for those in need across the Capital Region through their Community Resources program; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations and most joyously commends the faculty, staff, and all members of the Unity House community upon the occasion of their fiftieth anniversary; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Legislature is hereby directed to transmit a copy of this resolution, suitably engrossed, to Unity House.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

July 13, 2021

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Grimm, Doran, Burns, Fleming, Sullivan-Teta, Weaver, Stammel, Hoffman, Loveridge, Herrington, Bayly, Bendett, Casale, Fiacco, Grant, Patire, Peter, Tesman, Wysocki

Sent To: Rules & Legislative Operations

Committee

Date July 13, 2021

Resolution No. P/262/21

RESOLUTION COMMENDING POLICE CHIEF BRIAN OWENS FOR HIS DISTINGUISHED SERVICE TO THE TROY POLICE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, It is consistent with the duty of this Legislative Body to recognize the contributions and achievements of the citizens of Rensselaer County. We acknowledge with profound respect and admiration a man who provided extraordinary and exemplary community service; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such duty and fully in accord with its longstanding tradition, it is the intent of this Legislative Body to convey its compliments to Police Chief Brian Owens as he completes his tenure from the Troy Police Department after more than twenty-three years of dedicated service; and

WHEREAS, In 1997 Chief Owens began his career as Patrol Officer. He was promoted to Sergeant in 2002 and also served as Detective Sergeant from 2008 to 2009 before being promoted to Police Captain in the Patrol Bureau in 2009; and

WHEREAS, From 2011 to 2017 Chief Owens served as Police Captain in the Technology and Grants Section of the police department. He was in charge of the Homeland Security Team and Mobile Command Center; responsible for the coordination with the department's Emergency Response Team and Hostage Negotiation Team. He was a Liaison with the FBI-Albany Joint Terrorism Task Force, New York State Police Counter Terrorism Intelligence Unit, New York State Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Services, US Coast Guard Fleet Intelligence Support Team and the Department of Homeland Security; and

WHEREAS, In 2017 Chief Owens was promoted to Assistant Police Chief, where he provided oversight for all operational units within the Troy Police Department and assisted in the formulation and administration of policies and procedures, as well as the annual budget; and

WHEREAS, In 2018 Chief Owens was promoted to Chief of Police. During his tenure he was responsible for the modernization of the police department, including body-worn cameras, expansion of community policing philosophy, implementation of new officer training and updating the department's Use of Force policy; and

WHEREAS, Chief Owens is a graduate of the FBI National Academy and is a highly decorated member of the department, recipient of the Officer of the Year Award, Silver Shield Award, Chief's Appreciation Awards, various Unit and Division Citations and the Rensselaer County 911 Award; and

WHEREAS, Chief Owens is a veteran with 14 years of service with the United States Army Reserve, serving in various capacities including Company Commander of the HHD, 413th Quartermaster Battalion during the unit's combat deployment in Iraq; and

WHEREAS, Chief Owens is an individual who was truly dedicated to the safety and welfare of the residents of his community and has provided outstanding service to those who have been in dire need, thus contributing to the welfare of the entire City of Troy and Rensselaer County; and

WHEREAS, Under Chief Owens tenure the department continued to grow and modernize to confront the ever-changing challenges facing law enforcement agencies. Chief Owens held himself to the highest standards of excellence to meet the growing needs of our community; and

WHEREAS, Nowhere is the dedication to response more felt or acted upon with more resolve than by our City of Troy Police Department who so fully emulate the ideals embraced in their service; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Legislature pause in its deliberations to acknowledge the outstanding efforts and notable contributions of Chief Brian Owens to the community and extends best wishes in all his future endeavors; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Legislature transmit a copy of this resolution, suitably engrossed, to Chief Brian Owens.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

July 13, 2021

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Grimm, Doran, Burns, Fleming, Sullivan-Teta, Weaver, Stammel, Hoffman, Loveridge, Herrington, Bayly, Bendett, Casale, Fiacco, Grant, Patire, Peter, Tesman, Wysocki

Sent To: Rules & Legislative Operations

Committee

Date July 13, 2021

Resolution No. P/263/21

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE MONTH OF AUGUST AS NATIONAL WATER QUALITY MONTH

WHEREAS, Access to clean water is a basic human right and we all share responsibility for keeping our communities' waterways clean and healthy; and

WHEREAS, The United Nations has declared August to be National Water Quality Month in order to bring awareness to the importance of water as people enjoy lakes, rivers and ocean waters during the summer months; and

WHEREAS, According to the most recent National Rivers and Streams Assessment and National Lakes Assessment from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), 35-40% of the nation's waterways are in "poor biological condition" due to phosphorus, nitrogen, mercury, heavy metals, vegetation removal and sediments; and

WHEREAS, Michael S. Regan, head of the EPA, has recently announced \$3.2 billion in funding for water State Revolving Funds (SRFs) for FY22, an increase of \$460 million from 2021. These SRFs ensure clean and safe water for communities across the nation; and

WHEREAS, Water quality is a global problem as well as a local problem, as Rensselaer County has had ground water contamination. Understanding, awareness, and becoming involved in the protection of our waterways are key to keeping our water free of widespread contaminants; and

WHEREAS, Everyone can help by participating in National Water Quality Month by understanding the economic value of water, addressing pollution issues and contaminants, getting involved in their community by taking steps towards cleaning up waterways and conserving water; and

WHEREAS, Some measurable steps towards cleaning up waterways and conserving water in our homes are to: refrain from using antibacterial soaps or cleaning products, avoid flushing unwanted or out-of-date medications down the toilet, refrain from putting anything but water down the storm drains and avoid using pesticides or chemical fertilizers. We should also choose nontoxic household products when possible, pick up after pets and not pave our properties; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Legislature does hereby recognize August 2021 as National Water Quality Month in Rensselaer County.

Resolution **ADOPTED** by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

July 13, 2021