

SPECIAL RULES
September 12, 2025

Time Started:

Attendance: Hoffman, Loveridge, Bayly, Grimm, Nichols

Staff:

Agenda

LOCAL LAWS:	
T-1 (Intro)	A LOCAL LAW AMENDING LOCAL LAW NO. 5 OF THE YEAR 1997, AS AMENDED BY LOAL LAW NO. 1 OF THE YEAR 2003, AS AMENDED BY LOCAL LAW NO. 2 OF YEAR 2004, AS AMENDED BY LOCAL LAW NO. 3 OF 2007 AND AS AMENDED BY LOCAL LAW NO. 2 OF 2004
T-2 (Intro)	A LOCAL LAW AMENDING LOCAL LAW NO. 1 OF THE YEAR 1991, AS AMENDED BY LOCAL LAW NO. 3 OF 1991, AS AMENDED BY LOCAL LAW NO. 4 OF YEAR 1998 AND AS AMENDED BY LOCAL LAW NO. 3 OF 2024
RESOLUTION	TITLE
P/276/25	RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE COUNTY FIRE ADVISORY BOARD
G/277/25	RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF THE COUNTY OF RENSSELAER, NEW YORK, IMPOSING TAXES ON SALES AND USES OF TANGIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY AND OF CERTAIN SERVICES, AND ON OCCUPANCY OF HOTEL ROOMS AND AMUSEMENT CHARGES, PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 29 OF THE TAX LAW OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

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County of Rensselaer

Local Law No. T-1 (INTRODUCTORY) of the year 2025

A local law A local law Amending Local Law No. 5 of the Year 1997, as amended by Local Law No. 1 of the Year 2003, as amended by Local Law No. 2 of Year 2004, as amended by Local Law No. 3 of Year 2007, and as amended by Local Law No. 2 of Year 2024.

By: Chairperson Hoffman

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

County of Rensselaer as follows:

Section 1. Legislative Intent

The purpose and intent of this local law is to adopt and make effective in Rensselaer County Section 459-c of the Real Property Tax Law of the State of New York, as in effect on the date this local law takes effect, and as such section may be subsequently amended, applicable to the County of Rensselaer County Taxes for qualifying property owners.

Section 2. Applicability

There shall be an exemption from taxation for general county purposes for certain individuals with disabilities in accordance with Section 459-c of the Real Property Tax Law and this local law.

Section 3. Income Levels

The income level for receipt of a partial exemption from real property taxation for the purposes of taxes levied by the County of Rensselaer, pursuant to Section 459-c of the Real Property Tax Law, is as follows:

Annual Income and Percentage of Assessed Valuation Exempt From Taxation

Exempt %	Minimum	Maximum	Exempt %
50	0.00	42,000.00	50
45	42,000.01	42,999.99	45
40	43,000.00	43,999.99	40
35	44,000.00	44,999.99	35
30	45,000.00	45,899.99	30
25	45,900.00	46,799.99	25
20	46,800.00	47,699.99	20
15	47,700.00	48,599.99	15
10	48,600.00	49,499.99	10
5	49,500.00	50,399.99	5
0	50,400.00	and up	0

Section 4. Limitation

No exemption shall be granted if the income of the owner or the combined income of the owners of the subject property for the applicable income tax year equals or exceeds \$50,400.00.

Section 5. Exclusions, Inclusions and Offsets

Distributions received from an individual retirement account or individual retirement annuity that were included in the applicant's federal adjusted gross income shall not be considered income. Any social security benefits that were not included in the applicant's federal adjusted gross income shall be considered income. The applicant's income shall not be offset by any medical and prescription drug expenses actually paid that were not reimbursed or paid for by insurance.

Section 6. Incorporation Provision

All other provisions of Section 459-c of the Real Property Tax Law, to the extent not inconsistent with this local law, shall be in effect for the purpose of County real property taxation in the County of Rensselaer.

Section 7. Conflicts Provision

In the event of a conflict or inconsistency between this local law and any previous local law of the County of Rensselaer, the terms of this local law shall govern and the conflicting or inconsistent terms of the previous local law(s) are hereby amended to be null and void.

Section 8. Effective Date

This local law shall take effect upon the filing with the Office of the Secretary of State of the State of New York and shall apply to assessment rolls based upon a taxable status date occurring on or after January 1, 2026.

Local Law ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

October 14, 2025

Approved by the County Executive:

Dated: _____

Steven F. McLaughlin
County Executive

Local Law Filing

New York State Department of State
Division of Corporations, State Records and Uniform Commercial Code
One Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Avenue
Rensselaer, New York 12231-0001
www.dos.state.ny.us/corps

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County of Rensselaer

Local Law No. 2 of the year 2024

A local law Amending Local Law No. 5 of the Year 1997, as Amended by Local Law No. 1 of the Year 2003, Local Law No.2 of the Year 2004, and Local Law No. 3 of the Year 2007

By: Bayly, Hoffman

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

County of Rensselaer as follows:

Section 1. The purpose and intent of this local law is to make Section 459-c of the Real Property Tax Law of the State of New York, as in effect on the date this local law takes effect, and as such section may be subsequently amended, applicable to the County of Rensselaer.

Section 2. There shall be an exemption from taxation for general county purposes for certain individuals with disabilities in accordance with Section 459-c of the Real Property Tax and this local law.

Section 3. The income level for receipt of a partial exemption from real property taxation for the purposes of taxes levied by the County of Rensselaer, pursuant to Section 459-c of the Real Property Tax Law, is as follows:

<u>Annual Income</u>	<u>Percentage of Assessed Valuation Exempt From Taxation</u>
\$40,000 or less	50%

Section 4. No exemption shall be granted if the income of the owner or the combined income of the owners of the property for the applicable income tax year exceeds \$40,000.

Section 5. Distributions received from an individual retirement account or individual retirement annuity that were included in the applicant's federal adjusted gross income shall not be considered income. Any social security benefits that were not included in the applicant's federal adjusted gross income shall be considered income. The applicant's income shall not be offset by any medical and prescription drug expenses actually paid that were not reimbursed or paid for by insurance.

Section 6. All other provisions of Section 459-c of the Real Property Tax Law, to the extent not inconsistent with this local law, shall be in effect for the purpose of County real property taxation in the County of Rensselaer.

Section 7. This local law shall take effect upon the filing with the Office of the Secretary of State of the State of New York and shall apply to assessment rolls based upon a taxable status date occurring on or after January 1, 2024.

Section 8. In the event of a conflict or inconsistency between this local law and any previous local law of the County of Rensselaer, the terms of this local law shall govern and the conflicting or inconsistent terms of the previous local law(s) are hereby amended to be null and void.

Local Law ADOPTED by the following ROLL CALL vote:

Ayes: 18

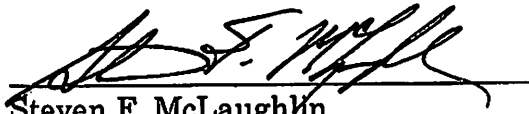
Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

December 12, 2023

Approved by the County Executive:

Dated: January 22, 202⁴~~3~~


Steven F. McLaughlin
County Executive

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County of Rensselaer

Local Law No. T-2 (INTRODUCTORY) of the year 2025

A local law A local law Amending Local Law No. 1 of the Year 1991, as amended by Local Law No. 3 of the Year 1991, as amended by Local Law No. 4 of Year 1998, and as amended by Local Law No. 3 of 2024

By: Chairwoman Hoffman

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

County of Rensselaer as follows:

Section 1. Legislative Intent

The purpose and intent of this local law is to adopt and make effective in Rensselaer County Section 467 of the Real Property Tax Law of the State of New York, as in effect on the date this local law takes effect, and as such section may be subsequently amended, applicable to the County of Rensselaer County Taxes for qualifying property owners.

Section 2. Applicability

There shall be an exemption from taxation for general county purposes for certain individuals 65 years of age or over in accordance with Section 467 of the Real Property Tax Law and this local law.

Section 3. Income Levels

The income level for receipt of a partial exemption from real property taxation for the purposes of taxes levied by the County of Rensselaer, pursuant to Section 467 of the Real Property Tax Law, is as follows:

Annual Income and Percentage of Assessed Valuation Exempt From Taxation

Exempt %	Minimum	Maximum	Exempt %
50	0.00	42,000.00	50
45	42,000.01	42,999.99	45
40	43,000.00	43,999.99	40
35	44,000.00	44,999.99	35
30	45,000.00	45,899.99	30
25	45,900.00	46,799.99	25
20	46,800.00	47,699.99	20
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Section 7. Conflicts Provision

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Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

October 14, 2025

Approved by the County Executive:

Dated: _____

Steven F. McLaughlin
County Executive

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County of Rensselaer

Local Law No. 3 of the year 2024

A local law Amending Local Law No. 1 of the Year 1991, as Amended by Local Law No. 4 of the Year 1998, and amending Local Law No. 3 of the Year 1991

By: Bavly, Hoffman

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

County of Rensselaer as follows:

Section 1. The purpose and intent of this local law is to make Section 467 of the Real Property Tax Law of the State of New York, as in effect on the date this local law takes effect, and as such section may be subsequently amended, applicable to the County of Rensselaer.

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Local Law ADOPTED by the following ROLL CALL vote:

Ayes: 18

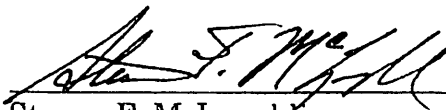
Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

December 12, 2023

Approved by the County Executive:

Dated: January 22 2024


Steven F. McLaughlin
County Executive

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Hoffman

Sent To: Special Rules

Committee

Date September 9, 2025

Resolution No. P/276/25

RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE COUNTY FIRE ADVISORY BOARD

WHEREAS, There is currently a Legislative vacancy for Legislative Liaison(s) on the Rensselaer County Fire Advisory Board; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the following individual(s) be and are hereby appointed, confirmed and ratified in all respects for a term to commence immediately and to expire December 31, 2025

Michael Morin	3353 State Route 67	Buskirk, NY 12028

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

September 9, 2025

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Hoffman

Sent To: Special Rules

Committee

Date September 9, 2025

Resolution No. G/277/25

RESOLUTION AMENDING G/469/24 AND AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT AMENDMENT WITH CFI - SEWER DISTRICT

WHEREAS, This resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature; and

WHEREAS, The Rensselaer County Sewer District was authorized to enter into a contract with CFI, general construction, for plant improvements and aeration system upgrade project; and

WHEREAS, During construction, the aeration platform bridges were identified as being severely deteriorated, posing both a safety hazard and risk of falling and damaging equipment below. Eight bridges in Tank Nos. 3 and 4 are slated to be removed at a cost of approximately \$8,000 per bridge for a total cost of \$64,000. Additionally, more expansion joint removal was required in Tanks Nos. 3 and 4 than was allotted in the unit price bid item quantities in the general contract. Additional funds of \$43,610 were spent on expansion joint material repair above expected costs.

RESOLVED, The source of funding for this expense, the total amount to be expended for the same, which shall not exceed budgeted appropriations, and the name and address of the vendor are as follows:

<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION CODE</u>	<u>CURRENT CONTRACT AMOUNT</u>	<u>REVISED CONTRACT AMOUNT</u>
CFI Contracting, INC. 286 Sacandaga Road, Johnstown, NY 12095	General Construction contract amendment	H.1620.02500.H1207	\$8,480,000.00	\$8,605,00.00

; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Executive or her designee shall be, and hereby is authorized to execute the above stated contract agreement, subject to the approval as to form by the Rensselaer County Attorney.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

September 9, 2025

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) Hoffman

Sent To: Public Works

Committee

Date November 12, 2024

Resolution No. G/469/24

**RESOLUTION AWARDING CONTRACTS FOR GENERAL CONSTRUCTION PHASE SERVICES FOR
MISCELLANEOUS PLANT IMPROVEMENTS AND AERATION SYSTEM UPGRADE PROJECTS -
RENSSELAER COUNTY SEWER DISTRICT NO. 1**

WHEREAS, A determination has been made that certain improvements and repairs are needed at the Rensselaer County Sewer District No. 1 ("District"), specifically to miscellaneous plant improvements, as well as a significant upgrade of the aeration system are vital to the effective and efficient operations of the Sewer District; and

WHEREAS, In the interest of public health and safety, the need for miscellaneous repairs and improvements to the plant and the District's aeration system are a priority; and

WHEREAS, RFB-24-08 was issued, in full compliance with all applicable competitive bidding and publication requirements, for miscellaneous plant improvements and aeration system upgrades to the District; and

WHEREAS, RFB-24-08 resulted in responses from six (6) firms, and after review of the proposals it has been determined that for the general construction be awarded to the lowest bidder: CFI Contracting Inc., to be the lowest bidder; and

WHEREAS, RFB-24-08 resulted in five (5) responses for the Electrical Construction, and after review of the proposals it has been determined that for the electrical construction be awarded to the lowest bidder: Amaha Electrical, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, RFB-24-08 resulted in two (2) responses for the HVAC Construction, and after review of the proposals it has been determined that for the HVAC construction be awarded to the lowest bidder: T. McElligott, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, The Bid results have been reviewed and Ramboll has recommended the contract awards go to the lowest bidders listed above; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Executive, or his designee, is hereby authorized to sign an agreement not to exceed the contract amounts with CFI Contracting, Inc. for the General Construction (\$8,480,000.00), Amaha Electrical, Inc. for Electrical Construction (\$6,470,000.00) and T. McElligott, Inc. for the HVAC Construction (\$109,000.00) using Budget Code: H.8130.02500 H1207 Sewer WWTP Improvements in connection with the miscellaneous plant improvements and aeration system upgrades projects at the District, subject to the approval as to form by the Rensselaer County Attorney.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes: 18
Nays: 0
Abstain: 0
November 12, 2024

Clerk of the Legislature

Sent to County Executive 11/13/24

Received from County Executive 11/14/24

Amica L. Chems
Clerk of the Legislature



Executive Action

Approved Date 11/13/24

Disapproved _____
Veto Message Attached and Returned to Clerk

[Signature]
County Executive


Rensselaer County Legislature

Clerk's Certification (G)

I, Jessica L. Charette, Clerk of the Rensselaer County Legislature, do hereby CERTIFY that I have compared the foregoing copy with the original resolution(s) enacted by the Rensselaer County Legislature at a legally convened meeting held on the November 12, 2024 and that the same is a true and complete copy thereof. The original final resolution(s) is/are on file in my office, as of the 14th day of November, 2024 at 99 Troy Road, East Greenbush, New York.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Rensselaer County Legislature of Troy, New York, this 14th day of November, 2024.

Seal


Jessica L. Charette
Clerk of the Legislature
County of Rensselaer
State of New York