

REGULAR SESSION, THURSDAY, AUGUST 5, 2021

REGULAR SESSION

August 5, 2021

The Legislature convened in Regular Session at 3:32 p.m. today.

The Legislature was called to order by Chairman Brescia with a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Former Legislator, Daniel Depew, sang the National Anthem.

On roll call, all members were present with the exception of Legislators Paduch, Amo and Anagnostakis who were absent.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (On file in Clerk, Legislative Office).

By Ms. Bonelli:

RESOLVED, that the minutes of March 30 and April 9, 2021 be approved. The motion was seconded by Mr. Vero and adopted. ADOPTED.

Chairman Brescia asked if there are no objections, agenda item nos. 4 through 7, and 15 and 16 will be voted on collectively.

Chairman Brescia asked if there were any referrals, consents or withdrawals.

Ms. Tautel request consent to place on the agenda, **"RESOLUTION SEEKING THE RESIGNATION OF NEW YORK STATE GOVERNOR ANDREW M. CUOMO,"** seconded by Ms. Bonelli.

Chairman Brescia stated if there were no objections, it would be added as Agenda Item No. A-1.

Chairman Brescia wanted to read a message from the County Attorney, Langdon Chapman who was not able to attend the meeting. "The CDC has issued guidance to the County Health Department as no mask mandate now, nor impending or planned one. There are a lot of strong feelings on both sides and the most important thing they encourage people to do it to be aware of the CDC Guidance. If you don't like what the CDC or the state are doing, we encourage people as we have from time to time, to voice their views to both federal and state officials. They have no local mask mandate in place, and nothing planned."

Chairman Brescia requested Mr. O'Donnell, Chairman of the Health and Mental Health Committee, to have this discussed at the next meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Certificate of Determination by the Commissioner of Finance relative to the terms, form and details of sale and issuance of the \$16,328,444 Public Improvement Serial Bonds-2021 Series A;

\$14,030,000 Public Improvement Refunding Serial Bonds-2021 Series B of the County of Orange, New York, and providing for the public sale thereof. Received and ordered placed on file.

REPORTS:

Department of Finance, County of Orange, New York - Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the Year Ended December 31, 2020. Received and ordered placed on file.

MISCELLANEOUS:

Sponsors: Tautel, Bonelli

Co-Sponsors: Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Luján, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

RESOLUTION NO. 175 OF 2021

RESOLUTION SEEKING THE RESIGNATION OF NEW YORK STATE GOVERNOR ANDREW M. CUOMO.

WHEREAS, allegations of sexual harassment against New York State Governor Andrew M. Cuomo became public in December 2020; and

WHEREAS, since these initial allegations, at least eleven women have bravely come forward to attest to their horrific experiences of sexual harassment, nonconsensual physical contact, misconduct, retaliation, and exposure to a toxic and humiliating work environment at the hands of the Governor and perpetuated by the toxic culture of the Executive Chamber, which included the Governor and senior staff, that sought to discredit the allegations through the use of fear, intimidation and retribution; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the Attorney General commenced an independent investigation of the allegations and circumstances surrounding the sexual harassment claims made against the Governor following a March 1, 2021 referral from the Office of the Governor to conduct said investigation; and

WHEREAS, through the course of the investigation, the Office of the Attorney General interviewed 179 individuals, reviewed over 74,000 documents, and received approximately 280 tips from members of the public, reviewing and tracking relevant communications; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the Attorney General has completed the independent investigation of these allegations and has issued a detailed report on August 3, 2021 finding that the Governor engaged in conduct constituting sexual harassment in violation of federal and New York State law; and

WHEREAS, the investigation revealed that the Governor "sexually harassed a number of State employees through unwelcome and unwanted touching, as well as by making numerous offensive and sexually suggestive comments.... [which] was part of a pattern of behavior that extended to his interactions with others outside of the State government"; and

WHEREAS, the investigation further revealed that "the Executive Chamber's response to allegations of sexual harassment violated its internal policies and that the Executive Chamber's response to one complainant's allegations constituted unlawful retaliation".

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that We, the Orange County Legislature, calls on Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to submit his resignation from office immediately; and be it further

RESOLVED, that in the event the Governor fails to submit a timely resignation, the Orange County Legislature calls on the New York State Assembly's Judiciary Committee to expeditiously complete its inquiry into the Governor's actions and for the Assembly to commence an impeachment proceeding against the Governor; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Orange County Legislature is hereby directed to send certified copies of this resolution to the New York State Governor, the Attorney General, the State Comptroller, the Majority Leader of the State Senate, the Speaker of the State Assembly, the Chairperson of the Assembly Judiciary Committee, and to each New York State Senator and Assemblyperson who represents the County of Orange.

Seconded by Mr. Vero.

Ms. Tautel stated that as a survivor, she was appalled at the reaction of Governor Cuomo to the findings of the special investigation committee. She should not be surprised by his reaction as it is part and partial with a misogynistic bully who takes no blame for his actions but attributes them to his Italian heritage and his victims. She wondered how often the Governor sat in and took part in the sexual harassment prevention training that is required for all state employees and elected officials. If he had, maybe they could have prevented one of these women from being treated to a toxic work environment and unwanted touching and advances by the Governor. Anytime you are in a position of power, you must act with supreme care of the individuals that you hold power over. Governor Cuomo showed utterly inappropriate behavior which created a toxic and hostile working environment. His actions lack comprehension to the feelings of his victims and an utter disrespect to the office he holds, and this leads me to this resolution and to you today. She is asking her colleagues in the Legislature to stand with her against bullying and to stand up for the courageous victims of his actions. She asked her fellow Legislators to join her on the resolution calling for the Governor to resign immediately, there is no place for him as a leader in New York State.

Ms. Bonelli noted that it was a sad day when they must entertain a resolution seeking the resignation of the New York State Governor, but that is exactly what they need to do. They need to demonstrate that actions like this is not tolerated in Orange County. She read for public information, two of the WHEREAS paragraphs: "**WHEREAS**, through the course of the investigation, the Office of the Attorney General interviewed 179 individuals, reviewed over 74,000 documents, and received approximately 280 tips from members of the public, reviewing and tracking relevant communications; and **WHEREAS**, the Office of the Attorney General has completed the independent investigation of these allegations and has issued a detailed report on August 3, 2021 finding that the Governor engaged in conduct constituting sexual harassment in violation of federal and New York State law." Ms. Bonelli pointed out that this was being done by consent which she usually does not care for, but this is an issue of timeliness. The New York State Legislature is moving forward with impeachment proceedings, and it states in the resolution that if the Governor fails to resign, the New York State Legislature, starting with the Assembly, will do their due diligence to move this forward.

Mr. Minuta stated that he has one word for the Governor in his language, which should be a shared language with him, but he is blaming his Italian culture on his behavior, "Disgrazia."

The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, **Luján, Minuta**, O'Donnell, Ruskiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Absent: Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis

Ayes 18;

Noes 0;

Absent 3;

ADOPTED.

JOINT-EDUCATION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEES:

Sponsors: Ruskiewicz, Benton

Co-Sponsors: Luján, Tautel, Faggione

RESOLUTION NO. 176 OF 2021

RESOLUTION ADOPTING A BUDGET FOR THE ORANGE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022 AND PROVIDING FOR THE RAISING OF TAXES REQUIRED BY SUCH BUDGET, PURSUANT TO SECTION 6304 OF THE EDUCATION LAW AND ARTICLE IV OF THE ORANGE COUNTY CHARTER.

WHEREAS, the County Executive has received from the Trustees of the Orange County Community College a budget request for fiscal year 2021-2022, dated June 2, 2021; and

WHEREAS, this Legislature did set a time and place for a public hearing upon the proposed Orange County Community College Budget for the fiscal year 2021-2022, to be held on August 5, 2021, at 3:15 p.m.; and

WHEREAS, due notice of such public hearing was given and said public hearing was held on August 5, 2021, at 3:15 p.m., in the Legislative Chamber, 255 Main Street, 3rd Floor, Orange County Government Center, Goshen, New York; and

WHEREAS, this Legislature does now wish to act upon the proposed budget in the manner provided for by law.

RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the proofs of due publication of the notice of the aforementioned public hearing in the Times Community Newspapers, Warwick Advertiser, Monroe Photo News, The Chronicle, the Orange County Post, Hudson Valley Press, the Gazette and the News of the Highlands-The Cornwall Local shall be filed with the Clerk of this Legislature.

2. That the proposed budget submitted to the County Executive by the Board of Trustees of the Orange County Community College on June 2, 2021, be and hereby is approved and adopted, as changed and modified, and summarized as follows:

REVENUES

Tuition Income	\$19,056,405
State Aid	12,688,410
County Aid	19,052,882
Chargebacks	2,826,740
Fees	2,925,310
Self-Sustaining Courses	456,790
CRRSAA Funding	5,268,118
Other Revenue	<u>683,443</u>
	\$62,958,098

EXPENSES

Personal Services	\$34,371,200
Employee Benefits	18,400,226
Contractual Services	9,894,772
Capital Equipment	<u>291,900</u>
	\$62,958,098

3. That the sum of \$19,052,882.00 being the amount of county contribution to the aforesaid budget as approved, shall be raised by tax on the taxable real property in the County of Orange, in the same manner and at the same time prescribed by law for the next annual levy of taxes by the County of Orange.

4. This resolution shall take effect on September 1, 2021.

Orange County Community College
Revenue Budget FY 2018-2019 to 2021-2022

	2018-2019	2018-2019	2019-2020	2019-2020	2020-2021	2020-2021	2021-2022	2021-2022
	<u>Requested Budget</u>	<u>Adopted Budget</u>	<u>Requested Budget</u>	<u>Adopted Budget</u>	<u>Requested Budget</u>	<u>Adopted Budget</u>	<u>Requested Budget</u>	<u>Adopted Budget</u>
Tuition	23,489,929	23,489,929	23,618,441	23,618,441	22,936,805	22,936,805	19,056,405	19,056,405
State Aid	13,134,308	13,134,308	13,394,887	13,394,887	12,989,240	12,989,240	12,688,410	12,688,410
County Aid	18,497,944	18,497,944	19,052,882	19,237,862	19,433,940	19,052,882	19,052,882	19,052,882
Other Revenue	6,312,126	6,312,126	6,453,092	6,453,092	7,057,295	7,057,295	12,160,401	12,160,401
Total	\$ 61,434,307	\$ 61,434,307	\$ 62,519,302	\$ 62,704,282	\$ 62,417,280	\$ 62,036,222	\$ 62,958,098	\$ 62,958,098

Seconded by Mr. Vero.

Mr. Ruskiewicz thanked the college for the work they have done over the past year with their budget. It was a challenging year and he felt they did a tremendous job. It was refreshing to hear from the auditors yesterday. There has been a lot more collaboration between the auditors and the college and it says a lot for their future.

Mr. Faggione stated that the commitment the Orange County to Orange County Community College has always been there, it has been consistent, and it has been true. He reminded his colleagues that the State of New York has never lived up to their end of the bargain in terms of supporting the community college, they are always a dollar short and a day late. He is proud to work with fellow Legislators in always supporting a strong budget for the community college and he asked that they do the same in Albany and live up to their end of the bargain.

The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Luján, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruskiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Absent: Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis

Ayes 18;

Noes 0;

Absent 3;

ADOPTED.

EDUCATION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:

Sponsors: Stegenga, Cheney

Co-Sponsor: Faggione

RESOLUTION NO. 177 OF 2021

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENTS BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO THE ORANGE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, PURSUANT TO SECTION 19.01 OF THE ORANGE COUNTY CHARTER.

WHEREAS, Honorable Steven M. Neuhaus, County Executive, has notified the County Legislature that he has made the following reappointments to the Orange County Community College Board of Trustees.

REAPPOINTMENTS:

TERM EXPIRES:

Ralph Martucci, Jr.
Middletown, New York

June 30, 2028

Florence Hannes
Salisbury Mills, New York

June 30, 2028

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that said reappointments be and the same hereby are confirmed.

Seconded by Mr. Vero.
The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Luján, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Absent: Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis

Ayes 18; Noes 0; Absent 3; ADOPTED.

JOINT-HEALTH AND MENTAL HEALTH AND RULES, ENACTMENTS AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEES:

Certificate of the Clerk relative to placing on desks of Legislators copy of Local Law Introductory No. 4 of 2021 was presented to the Legislature. On motion the same was received and ordered placed on file.

Sponsors: Tuohy, Amo, Bonelli
Co-Sponsor: Tautel

A LOCAL LAW, BEING INTRODUCTORY NO. 4 OF 2021, ENTITLED "A LOCAL LAW TO AMEND THE ORANGE COUNTY SANITARY CODE, PURSUANT TO SECTION 7.05 OF THE ORANGE COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE."

Seconded by Mr. Vero.
The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Luján, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Absent: Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis

Ayes 18; Noes 0; Absent 3; ENACTED.
(SEE LOCAL LAWS OF ORANGE COUNTY)

HEALTH AND MENTAL HEALTH COMMITTEE:

Sponsors: Sutherland, Tautel
Co-Sponsors: Bonelli, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Luján, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Stegenga, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

RESOLUTION NO. 178 OF 2021

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE ORANGE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, TO ACCEPT AND APPROPRIATE GRANT FUNDS FROM THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, PURSUANT TO SECTION 99-h OF THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW AND SECTION 4.09 OF THE ORANGE COUNTY CHARTER.

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of Health has offered grant funds in the amount of \$72,000.00 for the Public Health Emergency Preparedness Program, to be used for the Opioid Crisis. The term of the grant runs from September 1, 2021 through August 31, 2022; and

WHEREAS, this Legislature does wish to accept and appropriate said grant funds for the Department of Health as indicated above.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby

RESOLVED, as follows:

1. That the County Executive, in conjunction with the Commissioner of Health, be and hereby is authorized to accept and appropriate grant funds from the New York State Department of Health in the amount of \$72,000.00 for the Public Health Emergency Preparedness Program, to be used for the Opioid Crisis, as indicated above.

2. That the 2021 budget for the Department of Health is hereby amended and supplemented as shown below, and the Commissioner of Finance, together with the Director of Budget, be and hereby is authorized to make such amendment and supplementation forthwith.

3. That the County Executive be and hereby is authorized to execute all necessary documents and assurances necessary to carry out the purposes of this resolution subject to the review thereof by the County Attorney for purposes of form and content.

Revenue:

1010	401018	434721	Special Health Programs – OD2A	\$72,000.00
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Expenses:

1010	401018	560110	Permanent Base Salary	\$26,634.00
			Fringe Benefits	\$19,602.00
1010	401018	586100	Employee Retirement System	\$ 2,536.00
1010	401018	586300	Social Security/FICA	\$ 1,929.00
1010	401018	586400	Workers’ Compensation	\$ 732.00
1010	401018	586500	Unemployment Insurance	\$ 53.00
1010	401018	586600	Hospital Insurance	\$14,293.00
1010	401018	586650	Dental Insurance	\$ -
1010	401018	586660	Vision Insurance	\$ -
1010	401018	586700	Disability Insurance	\$ 52.00
1010	401018	586800	EAP	\$ 7.00
1010	401018	579530	Subcontractor Pymts	\$24,000.00
1010	401018	573100	Office Supplies	\$ 764.00
1010	401018	576760	Mileage	<u>\$ 1,000.00</u>
			Total Overdose Data 2 Action	\$72,000.00

Seconded by Mr. Vero.
The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Luján, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Absent: Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis

Ayes 18;

Noes 0;

Absent 3;

ADOPTED.

Sponsors: Luján, Tautel

Co-Sponsors: Bonelli, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

RESOLUTION NO. 179 OF 2021

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE ORANGE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, TO ACCEPT AND APPROPRIATE FUNDS FROM THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, PURSUANT TO SECTION 99-h OF THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW AND SECTION 4.09 OF THE ORANGE COUNTY CHARTER.

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of Health has offered funds in the amount of \$584,873.00 for the Childhood Lead Primary Prevention Program grant. The term of the grant runs from April 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021; and

WHEREAS, this Legislature does wish to accept and appropriate said funds for the Department of Health as indicated above.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby

RESOLVED, as follows:

1. That the County Executive, in conjunction with the Commissioner of Health, be and hereby is authorized to accept and appropriate funds from the New York State Department of Health in the amount of \$584,873.00 for the Childhood Lead Primary Prevention Program grant as indicated above.

2. That the 2021 Budget for the Department of Health is hereby amended and supplemented as shown below, and the Commissioner of Finance, together with the Director of Budget, be and hereby is authorized to make such amendment and supplementation forthwith.

3. That the County Executive be and hereby is authorized to execute all necessary documents and assurances necessary to carry out the purposes of this resolution subject to the review thereof by the County Attorney for purposes of form and content.

Revenue:

1010 401018 434721 Special Health Programs

\$584,873.00

Expenses:

1010	401018	560110	Permanent Base Salary		\$228,726.00
			Fringe Benefits Total		\$120,718.00
1010	401018	586100	Employee Retirement System	\$27,362.00	
1010	401018	586300	Social Security/FICA	\$17,980.00	
1010	401018	586400	Workers' Compensation	\$ 5,631.00	
1010	401018	586500	Unemployment Insurance	\$ 484.00	
1010	401018	586600	Hospital Insurance	\$66,693.00	
1010	401018	586650	Dental Insurance	\$ 1,970.00	
1010	401018	586660	Vision Insurance	\$ 185.00	
1010	401018	586700	Disability Insurance	\$ 360.00	
1010	401018	586800	EAP	\$ 53.00	
1010	401018	571500	Employee Chargeback		\$ 9,567.00
1010	401018	571820	Contracted Services – Thermo Scientific		\$ 29,000.00
1010	401018	571820	Contracted Services – Dust Wipe		\$ 950.00
1010	401018	571820	Contracted Services – RRP Training		\$ 7,375.00
1010	401018	573100	Office Supplies		\$ 1,000.00
1010	401018	573140	Postage		\$ 2,650.00
1010	401018	573820	Specialty Materials		\$ 3,500.00
1010	401018	575180	Equipment Lease		\$ 1,650.00
1010	401018	575610	Rent		\$ 9,000.00
1010	401018	576340	Telephone		\$ 3,450.00
1010	401018	576760	Mileage		\$ 2,500.00
1010	401018	576770	Special Travel		\$ 1,000.00
1010	401018	576820	Specialty Payments (EPA Form Recertification)		\$ 550.00
1010	401018	576820	Specialty Payments (Reimbursement for Dust Wipe Contract)		\$ 3,000.00
1010	401018	577080	Printing		\$ 2,800.00
1010	401018	579910	Indirect Expenses (Restricted Funding)		<u>\$157,437.00</u>
			Total Childhood Lead Primary Prevention Program		\$584,873.00

Seconded by Mr. Vero.
The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, **Luján, Minuta**, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Absent: Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis

Ayes 18; Noes 0; Absent 3; ADOPTED.

Sponsors: Luján, Tautel

Co-Sponsors: Bonelli, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

RESOLUTION NO. 180 OF 2021

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE ORANGE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, TO ACCEPT AND APPROPRIATE GRANT FUNDS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, PURSUANT TO SECTION 99-h OF THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW AND SECTION 4.09 OF THE ORANGE COUNTY CHARTER.

WHEREAS, the Department of Health and Human Services has offered funds in the amount of \$800,000.00 for the Orange County COVID Response to Advance Health Equity grant. The term of the grant runs from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2023; and

WHEREAS, this Legislature does wish to accept and appropriate said grant funds for the Department of Health as indicated above.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby

RESOLVED, as follows:

1. That the County Executive, in conjunction with the Commissioner of Health, be and hereby is authorized to accept and appropriate funds from the Department of Health and Human Services in the amount of \$800,000.00 for the Orange County COVID Response to Advance Health Equity grant as indicated above.

2. That the 2021 budget for the Department of Health is hereby amended and supplemented as shown below, and the Commissioner of Finance, together with the Director of Budget, be and hereby is authorized to make such amendment and supplementation forthwith.

3. That the County Executive be and hereby is authorized to execute all necessary documents and assurances necessary to carry out the purposes of this resolution subject to the review thereof by the County Attorney for purposes of form and content.

Revenue:

1010	401018	434721	Special Health Programs – CRAHE	\$800,000.00
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Expenses:

1010	401018	560110	Permanent Base Salary	\$291,571.00
			Fringe Benefits	\$231,804.00
1010	401018	586100	Employee Retirement System	\$ 27,758.00
1010	401018	586300	Social Security/FICA	\$ 20,308.00
1010	401018	586400	Workers’ Compensation	\$ 9,330.00
1010	401018	586500	Unemployment Insurance	\$ 583.00
1010	401018	586600	Hospital Insurance	\$168,897.00
1010	401018	586650	Dental Insurance	\$ 3,864.00
1010	401018	586660	Vision Insurance	\$ 360.00
1010	401018	586700	Disability Insurance	\$ 620.00
1010	401018	586800	EAP	\$ 84.00

1010	401018	571500	Employee Chargeback	\$ 93,822.00
1010	401018	571820	Contracted Services – OCCO, Tax Cab RFA, Bus Vchrs	\$140,000.00
1010	401018	576760	Mileage Reimbursement County Employee	\$ 5,000.00
1010	401018	585001	Computer Equipment (Laptops)	\$ 5,000.00
1010	401018	580440	Office Furniture (Desks/Chairs/File Cabinets)	\$ 2,800.00
1010	401018	573100	Office Supplies	\$ 525.00
1010	401018	576770	Special Travel	\$ 500.00
1010	401018	577080	Printing	\$ 4,000.00
1010	401018	573820	Specialty Materials	\$ 10,000.00
1010	401018	576340	Telephone	\$ 2,270.00
1010	401018	575400	Radio Pager Mobile Communications	\$ 1,248.00
1010	401018	575610	Rent	\$ 11,460.00
			Indirect Costs (Up to 10%)	\$ _____
			Total Orange County COVID Response to Advance Health Equity	\$800,000.00

Seconded by Mr. Vero.

The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Luján, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Absent: Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis

Ayes 18; Noes 0; Absent 3; ADOPTED.

Sponsors: Tuohy, Tautel

Co-Sponsors: Bonelli, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Luján, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Stegenga, Sutherland, Vero, Brescia

RESOLUTION NO. 181 OF 2021

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE ORANGE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, TO ACCEPT AND APPROPRIATE ADDITIONAL FUNDS FROM THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, PURSUANT TO SECTION 99-h OF THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW AND SECTION 4.09 OF THE ORANGE COUNTY CHARTER.

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of Health has offered additional funds in the amount of \$1,050,508.00 for the Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity (ELC) – COVID-19 grant. The term of the grant runs from July 1, 2020 through March 31, 2023 and the funds will be used for enhanced detection, surveillance, and prevention of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, this Legislature does wish to accept and appropriate said funds for the Department of Health as indicated above.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby

RESOLVED, as follows:

1. That the County Executive, in conjunction with the Commissioner of Health, be and hereby is authorized to accept and appropriate additional funds from the New York State Department of Health in the amount of \$1,050,508.00 for the Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity (ELC) – COVID-19 grant as indicated above.

2. That the 2021 Budget for the Department of Health is hereby amended and supplemented as shown below, and the Commissioner of Finance, together with the Director of Budget, be and hereby is authorized to make such amendment and supplementation forthwith.

3. That the County Executive be and hereby is authorized to execute all necessary documents and assurances necessary to carry out the purposes of this resolution subject to the review thereof by the County Attorney for purposes of form and content.

Revenue:

1010	401018	434721	Special Health Programs – COVID-19	
			Enhanced Detection	\$1,050,508.00
			On-Hold Approved Funding (Restricted)	\$ -
			Additional Emergency Funding (Restricted)	\$ -
				\$1,050,508.00

Expenses:

1010	401018	560110	Permanent Base Salary	\$ 295,699.00
1010	401018	560220	Overtime	\$ 200,000.00
			Fringe Benefits	\$ 312,186.00
1010	401018	586100	Employee Retirement System	\$ 72,086.00
1010	401018	586300	Social Security/FICA	\$ 47,114.00
1010	401018	586400	Workers' Compensation	\$ 18,601.00
1010	401018	586500	Unemployment Insurance	\$ 726.00
1010	401018	586600	Hospital Insurance	\$168,780.00
1010	401018	586650	Dental Insurance	\$ 3,830.00
1010	401018	586660	Vision Insurance	\$ 340.00
1010	401018	586700	Disability Insurance	\$ 625.00
1010	401018	586800	EAP	\$ 84.00
1010	401018	585005	Other Office Furn (500 – 4999.99)	\$ 72,000.00
1010	401018	580440	Other Office Furn <500	\$ 2,050.00
1010	401018	571820	Consultant Services (Non-Medical)	\$ 36,982.00
1010	401018	571830	Consultant Services (Medical)	\$ 0.00
1010	401018	573100	Office Supplies	\$ 6,500.00
1010	401018	575400	Radio/Pager (DGS-IT)	\$ 624.00
1010	401018	576760	Routine Mileage	\$ 1,500.00
1010	401018	576340	Telephone	\$ 8,400.00
1010	401018	573140	Postage	\$ 3,000.00
1010	401018	576810	Repro/Copy Charges	\$ 2,418.00
1010	401018	573790	Computer Software	\$ 4,680.00
1010	401018	579910	Indirect Expenses (Administrative Allowance)	\$ 104,469.00
1010	401018	579910	Indirect Expenses (Restricted Funding)	\$ 0.00
			Total COVID-19 Response Award	\$1,050,508.00

Seconded by Mr. Vero.
The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Luján, Minuta, O’Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Absent: Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis

Ayes 18; Noes 0; Absent 3; ADOPTED.

JOINT-HEALTH AND MENTAL HEALTH AND WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEES:

Sponsors: Tuohy, Tautel, Benton, Paduch, Bonelli

RESOLUTION NO. 182 OF 2021

RESOLUTION MAKING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION TO THE 2021 COUNTY BUDGET FOR THE VALLEY VIEW CENTER FOR NURSING CARE AND REHABILITATION, PURSUANT TO SECTION 4.09 OF THE ORANGE COUNTY CHARTER.

WHEREAS, the Valley View Center for Nursing Care and Rehabilitation is requesting approval and appropriation of funds in the amount of \$172,500.00 for a proposed 2021 capital expenditure for engineering services. Engineering to perform a facility wide condition assessment relative to buildings, grounds, mechanical, structural, roofing, electrical systems, plumbing, and code compliance. The metrics gathered are a vital component in prioritizing, identifying risk factors, and developing a comprehensive strategic multi-year capital plan and budget; and

WHEREAS, this Legislature does wish to provide said funds to the Valley View Center for Nursing Care and Rehabilitation as indicated above.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that the 2021 budget for the Valley View Center for Nursing Care and Rehabilitation is hereby supplemented as stated above and indicated below, to be used for engineering services; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the Commissioner of Finance is hereby authorized to make such modifications forthwith.

Revenue:

1460 453149 415961 Appropriated Surplus \$172,500.00

Expense:

1460 453149 577010 Capital Expense \$172,500.00

Seconded by Mr. Vero.
The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Luján, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Absent: Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis

Ayes 18;

Noes 0;

Absent 3;

ADOPTED.

Sponsors: Tautel, Luján, Benton, Minuta, Kulisek

Co-Sponsor: Stegenga

RESOLUTION NO. 183 OF 2021

RESOLUTION MAKING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION TO THE 2021 COUNTY BUDGET FOR THE VALLEY VIEW CENTER FOR NURSING CARE AND REHABILITATION, PURSUANT TO SECTION 4.09 OF THE ORANGE COUNTY CHARTER.

WHEREAS, the Valley View Center for Nursing Care and Rehabilitation is requesting approval and appropriation of funds in the amount of \$250,000.00 for a proposed 2021 capital expenditure for the water sewer treatment plant. The infrastructure supporting the process of waste-water purification and/or treatment is aging. The funding is earmarked for inevitable equipment failures and addressing immediate concerns identified in the pending facility wide engineering assessment. The water treatment plant supports waster-water management for Valley View, Social Services, and Hearthstone; and

WHEREAS, this Legislature does wish to provide said funds to the Valley View Center for Nursing Care and Rehabilitation as indicated above.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that the 2021 budget for the Valley View Center for Nursing Care and Rehabilitation is hereby supplemented as stated above and indicated below, to be used for the water sewer treatment plant; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the Commissioner of Finance is hereby authorized to make such modifications forthwith.

Revenue:

1460	453149	415961	Appropriated Surplus	\$250,000.00
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Expense:

1460	453149	577010	Capital Expense	\$250,000.00
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Seconded by Mr. Vero.

The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Luján, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Absent: Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis

Ayes 18; Noes 0; Absent 3; ADOPTED.

Sponsors: Sutherland, Tautel, Benton, Hines, Anagnostakis
Co-Sponsor: Stegenga

RESOLUTION NO. 184 OF 2021

RESOLUTION MAKING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION TO THE 2021 COUNTY BUDGET FOR THE VALLEY VIEW CENTER FOR NURSING CARE AND REHABILITATION, PURSUANT TO SECTION 4.09 OF THE ORANGE COUNTY CHARTER.

WHEREAS, the Valley View Center for Nursing Care and Rehabilitation is requesting approval and appropriation of funds in the amount of \$70,000.00 for a proposed 2021 capital expenditure to continue upgrading patient care mechanical lifters. Lifters support safe patient handling and replacement of equipment reaching economic life is necessary; and

WHEREAS, this Legislature does wish to provide said funds to the Valley View Center for Nursing Care and Rehabilitation as indicated above.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that the 2021 budget for the Valley View Center for Nursing Care and Rehabilitation is hereby supplemented as stated above and indicated below, to be used to continue upgrading patient care mechanical lifters; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the Commissioner of Finance is hereby authorized to make such modifications forthwith.

Revenue:

1460 453149 415961 Appropriated Surplus \$70,000.00

Expense:

1460 453149 577010 Capital Expense \$70,000.00

Seconded by Mr. Vero.
The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Luján, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruskiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Absent: Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis

Ayes 18; Noes 0; Absent 3; ADOPTED.

RULES, ENACTMENTS AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE:

Sponsors: Paduch, Hines
Co-Sponsor: Stegenga

RESOLUTION NO. 185 OF 2021

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE ORANGE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING, TO ACCEPT AND APPROPRIATE FUNDS AS A SUBCONTRACTOR TO THE ORANGE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, PURSUANT TO SECTION 99-h OF THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW AND SECTION 4.09 OF THE ORANGE COUNTY CHARTER.

WHEREAS, the Orange County Department of Planning is requesting to accept and appropriate funds as a subcontractor to the Orange County Department of Health for the Healthy Orange Schools and Communities Program in the amount of \$66,000.00 for the period of June 1, 2021 through May 31, 2022. Said funds will be used to fund thirty percent (30%) of one Planner to fill the position of a Community Health Coordinator, which will work with municipal officials in selected communities to develop appropriate policies for their jurisdictions and work with those officials, community organizations, and members of the public to enact those policies. The funds will be received during this period from the Orange County Department of Health through the New York State Department of Health Grant; and

WHEREAS, this Legislature does wish to accept and appropriate funds for the Orange County Department of Planning as indicated above.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby

RESOLVED, as follows:

1. That the County Executive, in conjunction with the Commissioner of Planning, be and hereby is authorized to accept and appropriate funds in the amount of \$66,000.00 as a subcontractor to the Orange County Department of Health for the Healthy Orange Schools and Communities Program as indicated above.
2. That the 2021 Budget for the Department of Planning is hereby amended and supplemented as shown below, and the Commissioner of Finance, together with the Director of Budget, be and hereby is authorized to make such amendment and supplementation forthwith.
3. That the County Executive be and hereby is authorized to execute all necessary documents and assurances necessary to carry out the purposes of this resolution subject to the review thereof by the County Attorney for purposes of form and content.

Revenue:

1010	802002	428011	Interfund Revenue	\$29,361.00
1010	802004	428011	Interfund Revenue	<u>\$36,639.00</u>
			Total Revenue	\$66,000.00

Expenses:

1010	802002	560110	Base Salary	\$21,392.00
1010	802002	586100	Employee Retirement System	\$ 2,438.00
1010	802002	586300	Social Security/FICA	\$ 1,673.00
1010	802002	586500	Unemployment Insurance	\$ 44.00
1010	802002	586600	Hospital Insurance	\$ 3,782.00
1010	802002	586700	Disability Insurance	\$ 27.00
1010	802002	586800	EAP	\$ 5.00
				<u>\$29,361.00</u>
1010	802004	576770	Special Travel	\$ 1,200.00
1010	802004	576760	Mileage	\$ 1,000.00
1010	802004	585012	Specialty Equipment	\$ 2,000.00
1010	802004	573200	Food	\$ 500.00
1010	802004	577080	Printing	\$ 1,000.00
1010	802004	573100	Office Supplies	\$ 2,000.00
1010	802004	576820	Community Materials	<u>\$28,939.00</u>
				\$36,639.00
			Total Expenses	\$66,000.00

Seconded by Mr. Vero.
The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, **Luján**, **Minuta**, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Absent: Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis

Ayes 18; Noes 0; Absent 3; ADOPTED.

Sponsors: Cheney, Hines
Co-Sponsors: Kulisek, Tautel, Luján, Stegenga

RESOLUTION NO. 186 OF 2021

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE ORANGE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING, TO ACCEPT AND APPROPRIATE GRANT FUNDS FROM THE HUDSON RIVER VALLEY GREENWAY COMMUNITIES COUNCIL, PURSUANT TO SECTION 99-h OF THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW AND SECTION 4.09 OF THE ORANGE COUNTY CHARTER.

WHEREAS, the Orange County Department of Planning is seeking approval to accept and appropriate funding in the amount of \$10,000.00 from the Hudson River Valley Greenway Communities Council for the Greenway Community Grant Program. The Department of Planning will work in partnership with the Orange County Land Trust on an update to the County Open Space Plan; and

WHEREAS, this Legislature does wish to accept and appropriate said grant for the Department of Planning as indicated above.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby

RESOLVED, as follows:

1. That the County Executive, in conjunction with the Commissioner of Planning, be and hereby is authorized to accept and appropriate grant funds from the Hudson River Valley Greenway Communities Council in the amount of \$10,000.00 for the Greenway Community Grant Program as indicated above.

2. That the 2021 Budget for the Department of Planning is hereby amended and supplemented as shown below, and the Commissioner of Finance, together with the Director of Budget, be and hereby is authorized to make such amendment and supplementation forthwith.

3. That the County Executive be and hereby is authorized to execute all necessary documents and assurances necessary to carry out the purposes of this Resolution subject to the review thereof by the County Attorney for purposes of form and content.

Revenue:

1010	802004	430891	Hudson River Valley Greenway Communities Council – Greenway Community	\$10,000.00
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Expense:

1010	802004	571820	Orange County Land Trust – consultants	\$10,000.00
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Seconded by Mr. Vero.

The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, **Luján**, **Minuta**, O'Donnell, Ruskiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Absent: Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis

Ayes 18; Noes 0; Absent 3; ADOPTED.

Sponsors: Kulisek, Bonelli

RESOLUTION NO. 187 OF 2021

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE RELEASE OF THE COUNTY'S INTEREST IN AND TO A CERTAIN DEED SALE PARCEL TO THE PREVIOUS OWNER OF RECORD, PURSUANT TO SECTION FIVE, PARAGRAPH B.1. OF LOCAL LAW NO. 2 OF 2010.

WHEREAS, this Legislature, by Local Law No. 2 of 2010, Section Five, Paragraph B.1., authorized the Orange County Commissioner of Finance (Enforcing Officer) to release the County's interest in and to the following deed sale parcel: Town of New Windsor, Section 16, Block 4, Lot 9, and to allow the previous owner of record to purchase his or her parcel.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that the Commissioner of Finance is hereby authorized to release the County's interest in and to a certain deed sale parcel to the previous owner of record, said parcel being in the Town of New Windsor, Section 16, Block 4, Lot 9, which sale price shall include the total of outstanding taxes, interest, fees and penalties, as shown on the list submitted to the Legislature; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the County Attorney shall effect the release of the County's interest in said parcel by preparing and submitting to the appropriate Court, an Order discontinuing the in rem tax foreclosure action as to said property, canceling the Notice of Pendency of such action as to said property, and vacating and setting aside the judgment of foreclosure and the deed executed and recorded pursuant to said judgment of foreclosure as to said property. The entry of such Order shall restore all parties, including owner, mortgagees and any and all lienors, receivers and administrators and encumbrancers, to the status they held at the time the County acquired title to said property as if the judgment had never been rendered, and shall render said property liable for all taxes, beneficiaries, management fees and liens, penalties, interest, and other charges which shall accrue subsequent to those paid in order to obtain the release provided for or which were, for whatever reason, omitted from the payment made to obtain such release.

Seconded by Mr. Vero.

The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, **Luján, Minuta**, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Absent: Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis

Ayes 18;

Noes 0;

Absent 3;

ADOPTED.

Sponsor: Vero

Co-Sponsors: Bonelli, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tuohy, Brescia

"RESOLUTION OF THE ORANGE COUNTY LEGISLATURE REQUESTING THAT THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, FEDERAL, AND STATE OFFICIALS TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO PREVENT ONGOING UNEMPLOYMENT FRAUD AND ASSIST SMALL BUSINESSES IN BRINGING EMPLOYEES BACK TO WORK FOLLOWING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC."

Seconded by Mr. Vero.

Chairman Brescia thanked Jay and Laurie Presutti for hosting a luncheon recently at Villa Venezia. It was at their expense with some help from the Chamber of Commerce. There was good

discussion that day with Legislators Vero, Minuta, Sassi and himself. There were guest speakers and it was a good event on an important matter. He brought the resolution forward in the statutory committee and Legislator Kulisek asked what the numbers were, but they do not have those figures from New York State on fraudulent claims because our Governor would not release them and it is a joke. In the state of California, up until March, had \$30 billion in claims and New York State's numbers are probably around the same. There was discussion on removing the word "rampant", but he left it at rampant because that is exactly what it is. There are businesses in the Village of Montgomery that have closed because they cannot find help since there is no incentive to go back to work. There are many businesses expressing the same concerns with hiring employees. People are not even showing up for interviews, but they tell the Department of Labor that they went just so they can get their unemployment. It is disgusting! He comes from the private sector and years ago it was hard to hire people, but now it is impossible. Minority Leader Paduch wanted to change the word rampant, but he is going to leave that word in there. They are not talking about the justly unemployed who deserve unemployment. He strongly encouraged his colleagues to vote in favor of the resolution.

Mr. Sassi thanked Jay and Laurie Presutti for holding a very informative meeting a few weeks ago. It is an epidemic, unfortunately. Fraud is an issue and everywhere you look you see help wanted signs. People cannot find help; small businesses are hurting. He was behind a concrete truck the other day, they put on the back of their truck, "Drivers Wanted." This is not a Democrat or Republican issue, everywhere you look are help wanted signs. Now with more fears of other variants out there scaring people, shut everything down, you are going to destroy this country, enough is enough.

Ms. Stegenga apologized that she missed the event but she had to work. She is one of those small businesses and she is also a Chamber of Commerce President. Businesses are really hurting by this. There are many small "Mom and Pop" businesses that were left out of a lot of the help and assistance and now they are hurting even more now because as things open up they cannot find any employees. The owners are being overworked. This is hurting our economy in a lot of ways. She was in support of the resolution. They spend their lives as elected officials trying to be financially accountable and to makes sure that they are correct in the way that they spend money and here they have one of their state entities that should have all the resources and the power to stop this, and they did not. It is disheartening to see that some of the money could have gone to help continue with all the progress in getting the economy back on their feet and help some of the small businesses that left the state. She encouraged everyone to support the resolution.

Mr. Kulisek stated that employers do have recourse through the unemployment office to contest anybody who files for unemployment against those claims. If you have someone that left a job during Covid and does not want to come back, they could be rejected.

Chairman Brescia mentioned that Jay and Laurie had an employee that they let go and that same employee has been granted six hearings. He did not show up for a few of the hearings but Jay and Laurie exhaust their resources to go to the hearings and if the former employee does not show up then most likely they will grant him the unemployment benefits. That has happened numerous times.

County Executive Neuhaus stated that the problem is they are not enforcing it. The State Department of Labor just opened their offices in Newburgh and Middletown two weeks ago after being closed. They are not accepting residents that need help for unemployment and training. In Orange County, an employer had over one hundred employees, they said they were coming back, they opened when restrictions lessened with Covid and fifty of the employees would come back. The employer was forced to continue to pay unemployment and hire an additional fifty people. The job fair they held yesterday had record numbers of employers. It is time to get back to work, we are aware of the situation that they are headed in now with the uptick, but it is time to go back to work and stop punishing these employers. If we go back to how things were last year, they will go out of business permanently. If Governor Cuomo does not resign by tomorrow, impeachment charges will be brought forward. They have a good dialogue with Lieutenant Governor Hochul to talk about how businesses should not be shut down like they were last time. He added that he and Director Steve Knob with Employment and Training, who is a great asset, contacted the State Department of Labor a month ago and said that allowing people to stay home and an employer to want them back is breaking the state law. If you have constituents that are business owners, you can use the Orange County Department of Employment and Training and contact Steve Knob and ask your questions.

Chairman Brescia mentioned that they could bring that forward to the Education and Economic Development Committee and discuss some of the things they can do. It is mostly controlled by the Department of Labor and the state of New York but there are things they can do besides send a memorialization.

Mr. Sierra stated that he has been a business owner since 1995, it was his hobby looking for help wanted signs. He has a "Now Hiring" sign 365 days a year outside his business. This is the worst he ever saw. He wanted to make it known that it was a federal issue, this is in every state. If you go on vacation, if you go to Myrtle Beach, they are paying bartenders \$40.00 an hour plus tips. It is not just in New York, this has been since the last administration put out the federal unemployment.

Chairman Brescia did not disagree with Mr. Sierra's comments, although it has been much worse in New York than 90% of the states because we enable it in New York State.

Mr. Sierra agreed with Chairman Brescia. He mentioned that last year the Legislature was discussing voluntary furloughs and he was very much against it.

Chairman Brescia pointed out that it did save money.

Mr. Sierra agreed it did save money but he knew how hard it would be to get people back to work.

Mr. Sassi commented that there are thousands of Chambers of Commerce across New York State and dozens in Orange County. Everyone of those Chambers of Commerce should be screaming at their state representatives telling them to put an end to this and get people back to work.

Mr. Kulisek mentioned that the unemployment rate in July for Orange County was 5.1% which is an average unemployment rate, nothing outrageous. How much fraud can there be with there only being 5.1% reported. Back in February the state unemployment was researching the false

unemployment claims. He knew of one woman who had an unemployment claim filed under her name in New York and in New Jersey, but she is not the one who filed. Chairman Brescia mentioned that there has been a lot of identity theft.

Mr. Luján stated that he has an issue with the second to last RESOLVED in the resolution. He fully understood that businesses are hurting and many of his fellow Legislators worked diligently with other state officials to try and bring grants and resources to small businesses. In his district, there are about 6,000 people that live in poverty, and that was before COVID-19. There has been discussion over the minimum wage of \$15.00. It was a surprise to many, they thought \$15.00 was too high. But now companies are offering the \$15.00 because they recognize that people are not going to take less than \$15.00. The reality is that most people cannot survive on less than \$20.00 to \$22.00. That is based on childcare, transportation and that is based on a growing housing crisis across the country. If they want to address affordable housing in Orange County, that would be a good thing. If they want to address the lack of jobs that are not paying minimum wage, he will fully support that. The resolution concerned him because he knows that there are people in his district that are hurting and they were hurting before COVID-19, COVID-19 made it worse, but in some cases a little better for some because they had time to recuperate from so many years of neglect. He supported the fraud aspect but not the second to last RESOLVED.

Mr. Luján requested to amend Agenda Item No. 14 by removing the second to last RESOLVED **"RESOLVED**, that the Orange County Legislature desires State officials to discontinue the enhanced federal COVID-19 unemployment benefits to encourage individuals to return to the workforce and foster economic resilience and growth within our great State," seconded by Ms. Tautel.

On roll call, Mr. Luján's motion to remove the last RESOLVED was defeated by the following vote:

Ayes: Kulisek, Luján, O'Donnell, Sierra, Tautel

Noes: Bonelli, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Minuta, Ruskiewicz, Sassi, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Absent: Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis

Ayes 5;

Noes 13;

Absent 3;

ADOPTED.

Mr. Minuta was in support of the resolution. He was a victim of fraud. He received a call from the Legislative Office and was asked if he is still a Legislator because someone claimed unemployment on his behalf. It is not a matter of what the unemployment rate is in New York State, it is that it is rampant. He knows that because not only did it happen to him, where he needed to close accounts, report to credit agencies, he went to the State Police and wrote a report. When he went to the State Police, he was told that he was the fourth person that came in today to report a false claim. They do not have enough staff in the state to cover all the unemployment fraud that is going on. If you do not believe that this is true, ask the local officials. He is an employer and has over forty-five employees during his tenure as an architect in his business. It was mentioned that people can go to the Department of Labor and request a hearing. He has done it before as an employer and you just give up because the amount of time you spend going to the hearings and

pleading your case and getting all your documents together, it does not matter what the reason is because the former employee is granted the unemployment benefits. It is covered under employment insurance and the rate will go up. The process is wrong and the Department of Labor needs to put people in charge of their lives and not let them stay home, not collect unemployment unjustly. This is not the society that he stands up for. He received a phone call today from someone who said he has employees that just do not bother to show up for work and they are permitted to do that under Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA). There are people not working, businesses that cannot find employees who are going out of business due to COVID-19 and unable to support themselves or find employees. Where are they moving to as a society. Socialism, everyone has been moved into the dole of the government and that is not who we are and that is not what he stands for. He fully supports the resolution and asked his colleagues to support it.

The resolution as originally presented follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 188 OF 2021

RESOLUTION OF THE ORANGE COUNTY LEGISLATURE REQUESTING THAT THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, FEDERAL, AND STATE OFFICIALS TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO PREVENT ONGOING UNEMPLOYMENT FRAUD AND ASSIST SMALL BUSINESSES IN BRINGING EMPLOYEES BACK TO WORK FOLLOWING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC.

WHEREAS, New York State endured a difficult period during the COVID-19 pandemic that impacted small businesses, causing significant loss of income; and

WHEREAS, Governor Cuomo officially ended the COVID-19 state disaster emergency on June 24, 2021; and

WHEREAS, New York State businesses and employers must be able to operate normally and fully staffed; and

WHEREAS, these same businesses must not be forced to expend resources defending fraudulent unemployment claims brought by criminals seeking to profit from unemployment benefits and enhanced COVID-19 benefits that are meant to assist individuals who are rightfully deserving of same; and

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of Labor has failed to employ practices to safeguard businesses and citizens from such criminal acts and has further failed to be transparent in releasing the number of fraudulent unemployment claims made during and because of the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the lack of mitigation efforts by the New York State Department of Labor, Federal, and State officials to prevent such fraudulent claims have continued to negatively effect small businesses and employers throughout New York State through rising unemployment insurance rates and an inability to maintain a stable workforce; and

WHEREAS, there currently exists a lack of available labor in all sectors of the economy, further causing harm to small businesses seeking a return to normal in a post COVID-19 world; and

WHEREAS, Orange County small businesses have suffered as a result of the New York State Department of Labor's failure to protect against unemployment claim fraud and the lack of available labor within various industries. Among these small businesses are East Coast Industrial, E-Tetz & Sons, and Adams Fairacre Farms; and

NOW THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, that the New York State Department of Labor along with Federal and State officials have a duty to be transparent about the rampant unemployment fraud that has burgeoned as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic and employ proper protections and safeguards to mitigate such criminal activity; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Orange County Legislature desires State officials to discontinue the enhanced federal COVID-19 unemployment benefits to encourage individuals to return to the workforce and foster economic resilience and growth within our great State; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Orange County Legislature is hereby directed to send certified copies of this resolution to the New York State Department of Labor, New York State Governor Andrew M. Cuomo and to each New York State Senator and Assemblyperson who represents the County of Orange.

The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Noes: Luján

Absent: Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis

Ayes 17;

Noes 1;

Absent 3;

ADOPTED.

Sponsors: Kulisek, Vero

Co-Sponsors: Tautel, Luján, Stegenga

RESOLUTION NO. 189 OF 2021

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE ORANGE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS, TO ACCEPT A GRANT EXTENSION FROM THE NEW YORK STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS, PURSUANT TO SECTION 99-h OF THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW AND SECTION 4.09 OF THE ORANGE COUNTY CHARTER.

WHEREAS, the Electronic Poll Book Capital Grant Program was reappropriated in the SFY 2021-2022 budget. The Orange County Board of Elections is requesting approval to extend the contract end date to January 28, 2022. Said end date provides the Board of Elections sufficient time after the certification of the General Election to complete required grant administration and expend the remaining contract funds. No appropriation of funds is required; and

WHEREAS, this Legislature does wish to extend the contract end date of the Electronic Poll Book Capital Grant Program for the Board of Elections as indicated above.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that the Orange County Board of Elections is hereby approved to extend the end date of the Electronic Poll Book Capital Grant Program to January 28, 2022, and that the County Executive be and hereby is authorized to execute all necessary documents and assurances necessary to carry out the purposes of this resolution, subject to the review thereof by the County Attorney for purposes of form and content.

Seconded by Mr. Ruskiewicz.
The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, **Luján, Minuta**, O'Donnell, Ruskiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Absent: Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis

Ayes 18;

Noes 0;

Absent 3;

ADOPTED.

Sponsors: Kulisek, Paduch

Co-Sponsors: Tautel, Luján, Stegenga

RESOLUTION NO. 190 OF 2021

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE ORANGE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS, TO ACCEPT A GRANT EXTENSION FROM THE NEW YORK STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS, PURSUANT TO SECTION 99-h OF THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW AND SECTION 4.09 OF THE ORANGE COUNTY CHARTER.

WHEREAS, the Early Voting Aid to Localities Grant was reappropriated in the SFY 2021-2022 budget. The Orange County Board of Elections is requesting approval to extend the contract end date to January 28, 2022. Said end date provides the Board of Elections sufficient time after the certification of the General Election to complete required grant administration and expend the remaining contract funds. No appropriation of funds is required; and

WHEREAS, this Legislature does wish to extend the contract end date of the Early Voting Aid to Localities Grant for the Board of Elections as indicated above.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that the Orange County Board of Elections is hereby approved to extend the end date of the Early Voting Aid to Localities Grant to January 28, 2022, and that the County Executive be and hereby is authorized to execute all necessary documents and assurances necessary to carry out the purposes of this resolution, subject to the review thereof by the County Attorney for purposes of form and content.

Seconded by Mr. Vero.
The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Luján, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Absent: Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis

Ayes 18; Noes 0; Absent 3; ADOPTED.

JOINT-RULES, ENACTMENTS AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS AND WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEES:

Sponsors: Vero, Kulisek, Benton, Bonelli, Paduch
Co-Sponsors: Luján, Tautel, Stegenga

RESOLUTION NO. 191 OF 2021

BOND RESOLUTION DATED AUGUST 5, 2021

BOND RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY OF ORANGE, NEW YORK, AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF VOTING MACHINES, STATING THE ESTIMATED TOTAL COST THEREOF IS \$1,014,855; APPROPRIATING SAID AMOUNT THEREFOR; AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,014,855 BONDS OF THE COUNTY TO FINANCE SAID APPROPRIATION.

RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF THE COUNTY OF ORANGE, NEW YORK (by the affirmative vote of not less than two thirds of the voting strength of said Legislature), **AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. The County of Orange, New York (herein called "County"), is hereby authorized to establish a new capital project for the Board of Elections for the acquisition of voting machines, all as more particularly described in the County's 2021 Capital Plan, as amended. The estimated total cost of said class of objects or purposes, including preliminary costs and costs incidental thereto and to the financing thereof, is \$1,014,855, and said amount is hereby appropriated therefor. The plan of financing includes the issuance of \$1,014,855 bonds of the County and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the sale of such bonds to finance said appropriation, the levy and collection of taxes on all the taxable real property in the County to pay the principal of and interest on said bonds and notes.

Section 2. Bonds of the County in the principal amount of \$1,014,855 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the provisions of the Local Finance Law, constituting Chapter 33-a of the Consolidated Laws of the State of New York (herein called "Law"), to finance said appropriation.

Section 3. The period of probable usefulness of the class of objects or purposes for which said \$1,014,855 bonds herein authorized are to be issued, within the limitations of Section 11.00 a. 31 of the Law, is ten (10) years.

Section 4. The County intends to finance, and the Commissioner of Finance of the County is hereby authorized to advance such amounts as are necessary to pay the costs of the objects or purposes described in Section 1 hereof prior to the issuance of the bonds or bond anticipation notes authorized out of any available funds of the County, on an interim basis, which amounts are reasonably expected to be reimbursed with the proceeds of debt to be incurred by the County, pursuant to this Resolution, in the total amount of bonds herein authorized. This Resolution is a declaration of official intent adopted pursuant to the requirements of Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2.

Section 5. Each of the bonds authorized by this Resolution and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the sale thereof shall contain the recital of validity prescribed by §52.00 of said Local Finance Law and said bonds and any notes issued in anticipation of said bonds shall be general obligations of the County of Orange, payable as to both principal and interest by general tax upon all the taxable real property within the County. The faith and credit of the County are hereby irrevocably pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds and any notes issued in anticipation of the sale of said bonds or the renewals of said notes, and provision shall be made annually in the budgets of the County by appropriation for (a) the amortization and redemption of the notes and bonds to mature in such year and (b) the payment of interest to be due and payable in such year.

Section 6. Subject to the provisions of this Resolution and of the Law, and pursuant to the provisions of §30.00 relative to the authorization of the issuance of bond anticipation notes or the renewals thereof, and of §§50.00, 56.00 to 60.00 and 168.00 of said Law, the powers and duties of the County Legislature relative to authorizing the issuance of any notes in anticipation of the sale of the bonds herein authorized, or the renewals thereof, relative to providing for substantially level or declining annual debt service, relative to prescribing the terms, form and contents and as to the sale and issuance of the respective amounts of bonds herein authorized, and of any notes issued in anticipation of the sale of said bonds or the renewals of said notes, and relative to executing agreements for credit enhancement, are hereby delegated to the Commissioner of Finance of the County, as the chief fiscal officer of the County.

Section 7. The validity of the bonds authorized by this Resolution, and of any notes issued in anticipation of the sale of said bonds, may be contested only if:

- (a) such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which the County is not authorized to expend money, or
- (b) the provisions of law which should be complied with at the date of the publication of this Resolution, or a summary hereof, are not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the date of such publication, or
- (c) such obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.

Section 8. The Clerk of the Orange County Legislature is hereby directed to publish the foregoing bond resolution in summary, in The Orange County Post published in Vails Gate, New York; the Warwick Advertiser-Photo News, published in Chester, New York; the Warwick Valley Dispatch, published in Warwick, New York; News of the Highlands, Inc., published in Cornwall, New York; Times Community Newspapers, published in Newburgh, New York; and Hudson Valley Press,

published in Newburgh, New York, the official newspapers of the County for such publication together with a notice in substantially the form prescribed in Section 81.00 of the Local Finance Law of the State of New York.

Section 9. This Resolution shall take effect immediately

Seconded by Mr. Ruskiewicz.
The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Luján, Minuta, O’Donnell, Ruskiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Absent: Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis

Ayes 18; Noes 0; Absent 3; ADOPTED.

JOINT-PHYSICAL SERVICES AND WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEES:

Sponsors: Benton, Bonelli, Minuta, Kulisek

RESOLUTION NO. 192 OF 2021

RESOLUTION OF THE ORANGE COUNTY LEGISLATURE AUTHORIZING A REVENUE SHORTFALL IN CAPITAL PROJECT NO. 834 TO BE COVERED BY CAPITAL RESERVE FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS/ENVIRONMENTAL FACILITIES AND SERVICES, PURSUANT TO SECTION 4.09 OF THE ORANGE COUNTY CHARTER.

WHEREAS, the Orange County Department of Public Works/Environmental Facilities and Services is requesting that the revenue shortfall in Capital Project No. 834, Transfer Stations Various Vehicles, in the amount of \$121,036.17 be covered by capital reserve.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that the 2021 budget for the Orange County Department of Public Works/Environmental Facilities and Services is hereby supplemented as indicated above and stated below to allow the revenue shortfall in Capital Project No. 834, Transfer Stations Various Vehicles, in the amount of \$121,036.17 to be covered by capital reserve; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the Commissioner of Finance is hereby authorized to make such modifications forthwith.

Revenue:

1010 995001 415961 Appropriated Surplus \$121,036.17

Expense:

1010 995001 685350 To 110 Capital Fund \$121,036.17

Revenue:

1100	819701	450311	Inter Fund Transfer in from Capital Reserve	\$121,036.17
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Expense:

1100	819701	577010	Capital Budget	\$121,036.17
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Seconded by Mr. Vero.
The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, **Luján**, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruskiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Absent: Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis

Ayes 18; Noes 0; Absent 3; ADOPTED.

PHYSICAL SERVICES COMMITTEE:

Sponsors: Tuohy, Paduch

RESOLUTION NO. 193 OF 2021**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO ACCEPT A PROPOSED RIGHT-OF-WAY DEDICATION PARCEL IN THE VILLAGE OF WALDEN.**

WHEREAS, a right-of-way dedication parcel, namely Section 315, Block 5, Lot 4, located on County Road No. 75, Coldenham Road, in the Village of Walden, is owned by MILR, LLC, and more particularly described on the attached **Schedule "A"**; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable that the County acquire ownership of the aforesaid right-of-way dedication parcel, as said dedication was deemed necessary for Road Width design criteria during the review process; and

WHEREAS, the private landowners have agreed to bear all costs and expenses relating to the surveying and title costs as may be reasonably required by the County and agree to obtain good and valid releases from all owners, mortgagees, lienors and others that may be required to consent to such dedication and subject to the approval of same by the County Attorney.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that the Legislature hereby authorizes the County Executive to accept from MILR, LLC the right-of-way dedication parcel located in the Village of Walden, and more particularly described on the attached **Schedule "A"**; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the Orange County Department of Public Works shall prepare and submit the necessary documents to the County Attorney so as to complete the conveyance set forth above.

SCHEDULE "A"**County Road No. 75
Dedication Description**

All that certain lot, piece or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in the Village of Walden, County of Orange and State of New York and being known and designated as a portion of Lot 205 "Road Dedication" on a map entitled "Realty Subdivision, The Overlook at Kidd Farm" dated December 20, 2012 and filed in the Orange County Clerk's Office and being more accurately bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point of intersection in the southwesterly sideline of Coldenham Road (also known as County Road No. 75), with the dividing line between the reputed lands of Oak Street Management (to the east) and the herein described parcel (to the west), and being the eastern most corner;

THENCE, from said point of beginning and through the reputed lands of MILR, LLC (Lot 205, of the above described filed map), North 53 degrees 09 minutes 44 seconds West a distance of 121.07 feet to a point;

THENCE, along the easterly side of the reputed lands of Hodulick, North 17 degrees 13 minutes 30 seconds East a distance of 7.33 feet to a point marked by an angle iron found in the said southwesterly sideline of Coldenham Road;

THENCE, along the said southwesterly sideline of Coldenham Road, South 49 degrees 57 minutes 48 seconds East a distance of 123.72 feet to the point or place of beginning;

Containing 418 square-feet or 0.010 acres of land more or less as surveyed by Engineering & Surveying Properties, PC on December 12, 2012, adopting New York State Plane Coordinate System NAD83, Zone 3101 for the basis of bearing as determined by GPS observations.

Seconded by Mr. Vero.
The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, **Luján, Minuta**, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Absent: Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis

Ayes 18; Noes 0; Absent 3; ADOPTED.

WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE:

Sponsors: Benton, Anagnostakis

RESOLUTION NO. 194 OF 2021

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PRIVATE SALE AND CONVEYANCE OF CERTAIN COUNTY OWNED LANDS ACQUIRED BY REASON OF A FAILURE TO REDEEM SAID LANDS FROM A TAX SALE TO ORANGE COUNTY, PURSUANT TO SECTION 1018(4) OF THE REAL PROPERTY TAX LAW AND ORANGE COUNTY AMENDED LOCAL LAW NO. 2 OF 2010.

WHEREAS, this Legislature has enacted Local Law No. 9 of 1979 (as last amended by Local Law No. 2 of 2010), authorizing the sale of certain lands owned by the County by reason of default in taxes and a subsequent failure to redeem from a resulting tax sale to Orange County; and

WHEREAS, the parcels not sold at said sale were to be offered at a private sale, subject to the confirmation of this Legislature; and

WHEREAS, offers for several said parcels have been accepted by the Commissioner of Finance; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Finance has recommended that the sales be confirmed by this Legislature.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby

RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the parcels hereinafter listed be sold to the offering parties, upon receipt by the Commissioner of Finance of Orange County of the amounts set forth in either cash or good certified check by 5:00 p.m., September 7, 2021, as indicated below.

2. That upon the receipt of said sums, the County Executive is hereby authorized to execute a Quitclaim Deed of Conveyance of the properties listed below and deliver the same to the offering party.

<u>PARCEL</u>	<u>BIDDER</u>	<u>AMOUNT OF BID NET TO COUNTY</u>
Blooming Grove 28-6-4	Crown & Harp of NY Inc. 100-10 91 st Avenue, 2 nd Floor Richmond Hill, NY 11418	\$2,750.00
Chester 8-1-27	Eric Berend 310 Greenwich Street, Apt. 4M New York, NY 10013	\$ 655.00
Chester 8-1-28	Eric Berend 310 Greenwich Street, Apt. 4M New York, NY 10013	\$ 755.00
Mount Hope 102-1-18	Jun Guo 108 Woodlake Drive Middletown, NY 10940	\$5,500.00
Mount Hope 9-2-12	Crown & Harp of NY Inc. 100-10 91 st Avenue, 2 nd Floor Richmond Hill, NY 11418	\$2,000.00

New Windsor 60-1-29	Lei Song & Bonnie C. Brennan 10 Lakeside Drive New Windsor, NY 12553	\$2,300.00
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Seconded by Mr. Vero.
The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, **Luján, Minuta**, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Absent: Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis

Ayes 18; Noes 0; Absent 3; ADOPTED.

Committee: Public Safety and Emergency Services
Sponsors: Luján, Stegenga

RESOLUTION NO. 195 OF 2021

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE ORANGE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES/POLICE SERVICES, TO ACCEPT AND APPROPRIATE GRANT FUNDS FROM THE STATE OF NEW YORK GOVERNOR'S TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE, PURSUANT TO SECTION 99-h OF THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW AND SECTION 4.09 OF THE ORANGE COUNTY CHARTER.

WHEREAS, the State of New York Governor's Traffic Safety Committee has offered a grant in the amount of \$65,870.00 for the 2022 Traffic Safety Program for the continuance of providing educational programs to reduce the incidents of fatalities and serious personal injury vehicle accidents; and

WHEREAS, this Legislature does wish to accept and appropriate said grant for the Department of Emergency Services/Police Services as indicated above.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby

RESOLVED, as follows:

1. That the County Executive, in conjunction with the Commissioner of Emergency Services, be and hereby is authorized to accept and appropriate grant funds from the State of New York Governor's Traffic Safety Committee in the amount of \$65,870.00 for the 2022 Traffic Safety Program as indicated above.

2. That the 2021 Budget for the Department of Emergency Services is hereby amended and supplemented as shown below, and the Commissioner of Finance, together with the Director of Budget, be and hereby is authorized to make such amendment and supplementation forthwith.

3. That the County Executive be and hereby is authorized to execute all necessary documents and assurances necessary to carry out the purposes of this Resolution subject to the review thereof

by the County Attorney for purposes of form and content.

Revenue:

1010	398903	443891	Other Public Safety	\$65,870.00
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Expenses:

1010	398903	571820	Consultant Services	\$61,215.00
1010	398903	576820	Specialty Payments	\$ 700.00
1010	398903	583800	Hats & Helmets (Safety)	\$ 1,500.00
1010	398903	573820	Specialty Materials	\$ 1,255.00
1010	398903	573100	Office Supplies	\$ 200.00
1010	398903	577080	Printing	\$ 1,000.00
				\$65,870.00

Seconded by Mr. Vero.

The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Luján, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Absent: Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis

Ayes 18;

Noes 0;

Absent 3;

ADOPTED.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (On file in Clerk, Legislative Office).

Mr. Kulisek thanked the public for coming out. It is something they missed for eighteen months. They started virtual meetings but whatever the topic, they want to hear what they have to say. He wished more people would come out and speak.

On the motion of Mr. Kulisek, seconded by Ms. Tautel, the meeting adjourned at 4:18 p.m.

ADJOURNED.

Jean M. Ramppen, Clerk