



Onondaga County Legislature

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VIRTUAL SESSION

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RESOLUTION NOS. 75 - 84

OFFICE OF THE CLERK

June 2, 2020

VIRTUAL PUBLIC HEARINGS:

12:50 P.M. – Re: Renewal of Agricultural District No. 2, Towns of Marcellus, Skaneateles and Spafford - Members of the public wishing to attend may do so virtually by downloading the Zoom application and using Meeting ID: 859 8689 6414 and Password: 1N3DMY. Written statements should be submitted via email to DebbieMaturo@ongov.net or via USPS mail to Onondaga County Legislature, 401 Montgomery Street, Court House Room 407, Syracuse, NY 13202. Statements will be accepted up to 12:00 p.m. on June 2, 2020, and will become part of the permanent record.

12:55 P.M. – Re: In Connection with the Proposed Inclusion of Viable Agricultural Land within Certified Agricultural Districts - Members of the public wishing to attend may do so virtually by downloading the Zoom application and using Meeting ID: 892 5878 7970 and Password: 1N3DMY. Written statements should be submitted via email to DebbieMaturo@ongov.net or via USPS mail to Onondaga County Legislature, 401 Montgomery Street, Court House Room 407, Syracuse, NY 13202. Statements will be accepted up to 12:00 p.m. on June 2, 2020, and will become part of the permanent record.

Listed below are the resolutions to be presented to the County Legislature at the June Session. The meeting will be held at **1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 2, 2020.**

- A. CALL TO ORDER
- B. CALLING OF ROLL MEMBERS
- C. INVOCATION – **Mrs. Abbott-Kenan**
- D. READING OF MINUTES
- E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
- F. PRESENTATION OF COMMUNICATIONS

1. Gold Seal:

- a. Recognize and Honor Deborah L. Maturo for Her Many Years of Dedicated Service to the Onondaga County Legislature (Sponsored by Chairman David H. Knapp, Leaders Brian F. May and Linda R. Ervin, Legislators James J. Rowley, Tim Burtis, Judith A. Tassone, Debra J. Cody, Julie Abbott-Kenan, Mary T. Kuhn, Christopher J. Ryan, Peggy Chase, Kevin A. Holmquist, John D. McBride, Ken Bush, Jr., Casey E. Jordan, William T. Kinne, and Vernon M. Williams, Jr.)

- 2. **Public Comment:** *Written statements should be submitted via email to DebbieMaturo@ongov.net or via USPS mail to the above address. *Statements will be accepted through 12:00 p.m. on June 2, 2020 and will become part of the permanent record.*

- G. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES
- H. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES
- I. CALL OF RESPECTIVE LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS (District No. 6)

12TH DISTRICT – MR. KNAPP

1. **NO. 75** In Memoriam – Gerald Mingoelli, Jr. (17-0)
2. **TABLED** - Amending Resolution No. 372-1967, Regarding the Imposition and Disposition of Sales and Compensating Use Tax Pursuant to Articles 28 and 29 of the Tax Law of the State of New York

16TH DISTRICT – MR. WILLIAMS

- 2a. **NO. 76 (WAIVER)** Memorializing Resolution Condemning Acts of Police Brutality across the Nation That Led To the Tragic and Unnecessary Loss of Life of George Floyd in Minneapolis, Minnesota (17-0)

3RD DISTRICT – MR. BURTIS – WAYS & MEANS

3. **NO. 77** Mortgage Tax Apportionment (17-0)
4. **NO. 78** Accepting a Donation from Lions Club International Foundation for First Responders During the COVID-19 Crisis (\$7,500) (17-0)
5. **NO. 79** Adoption of Annual Budget for Onondaga Community College for the Fiscal Year September 1, 2020, to August 31, 2021, and Authorizing the Co. Executive to Enter into Contracts with Other Governmental Units in which Appropriations and Revenues are Approved by the Adoption of the 2021 Budget (17-0)
6. **NO. 80** Approving the Inclusion of Viable Agricultural Land within Certified Agricultural Districts Pursuant to Section 303-B of the New York State Agriculture and Markets Law (17-0)
7. **NO. 81** Renewing with Modification Agricultural District No. 2, in the Towns of Marcellus, Skaneateles and Spafford (17-0)
8. **NO. 82** Acceptance of Funds from Empire State Development for the Preparation of an Update of the Onondaga County Comprehensive Plan, and Authorizing the County Executive to Enter into Contracts to Implement this Resolution (\$100,000) (17-0)
9. **NO. 83** Standard Work Day and Reporting Resolution (17-0)
10. **NO. 84** 2020 Transfer Resolution – BOE (\$10,300) (17-0)

LOCAL LAWS:

- A. **PASSED** - A Local Law Amending Article VI of the Onondaga County Charter and Further Amending Article VI of the Onondaga County Administrative Code with Respect to the 2021 County Budget Cycle (Sponsored by Mr. Knapp) (17-0)
- B. **REFERRED TO WAYS & MEANS** - A Local Law Amending Section 207 of the Onondaga County Charter to Revise the Onondaga County Reapportionment Commission to Ensure a Non-Partisan, Fair and Objective Process By Which the Onondaga County Legislature Districts are Reapportioned (Sponsored by Mr. Ryan)
- J. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
- K. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHAIR
- L. ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,



DEBORAH L. MATURO, Clerk
ONONDAGA COUNTY LEGISLATURE

ROLL CALL			JUNE 2, 2020 SESSION
LEGISLATOR	PRESENT	ABSENT	
1. MAY	✓		<i>Virtual Session</i>
2. ROWLEY	✓		
3. BURTIS	✓		<i>Called to order</i>
4. TASSONE	✓		<i>at 1:17 p.m.</i>
5. CODY	✓		
6. ABBOTT-KENAN	✓		
7. KUHN	✓		<i>Two statements</i>
8. RYAN	✓		<i>on file for the</i>
9. CHASE	✓		<i>record</i>
10. HOLMQUIST	✓		
11. McBRIDE	✓		
13. BUSH	✓		
14. JORDAN	✓		
15. KINNE	✓		
16. WILLIAMS	✓		
17. ERVIN	✓		
12. KNAPP	✓		
TOTAL	<i>17</i>	<i>0</i>	

LEGISLATURE CHAMBERS

ONONDAGA COUNTY, N.Y.

Presented By: Chairman David H. Knapp, Leaders Brian F. May and Linda R. Ervin, Legislators James J. Rowley, Tim Burtis, Judith A. Tassone, Debra J. Cody, Julie Abbott-Kenan, Mary T. Kuhn, Christopher J. Ryan, Peggy Chase, Kevin A. Holmquist, John D. McBride, Ken Bush, Jr., Casey E. Jordan, William T. Kinne, and Vernon M. Williams, Jr.

The above named members of the County Legislature of Onondaga County, New York, on the 2nd day of June, 2020, wish to:

RECOGNIZE AND HONOR DEBORAH L. MATURO FOR HER MANY YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE ONONDAGA COUNTY LEGISLATURE

WHEREAS, Deborah L. Maturo began her career with the Onondaga County Legislature as Secretary in September of 1983; she was later appointed as Assistant Clerk in November of 1986; and

WHEREAS, Deborah L. Maturo served as the Assistant Clerk for 17 years, where she acted as the Fiscal Officer, put together the Journal of the Proceedings for the Legislature, staffed meetings, handled the budget for the office, as well as many other duties, until her appointment to Deputy Clerk in January 2003; and

WHEREAS, on May 3, 2004, Deborah L. Maturo was appointed Clerk of the Onondaga County Legislature, where her responsibilities consisted of, but were not limited to, managing staff, conducting research for Legislators, staffing meetings, scheduling committees, coordinating agendas with Executive staff, the Chairman and Legislators, recording motions and votes for committees and session, and other clerical and administrative tasks; and

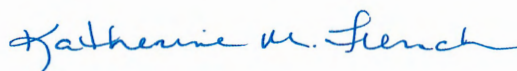
WHEREAS, during her tenure as Clerk, Deborah L. Maturo spearheaded information sharing solutions to Legislators and the public including the innovative use of the County Legislature website, the creation of a digital sharing calendar, the retention of records in electronic format using DocuWare software, and a Paperless Legislature that uses Microsoft Surfaces for viewing documents; and

WHEREAS, Deborah L. Maturo was also the driving force behind initiatives to renovate the Legislative offices in the County Court House and make multiple upgrades to the sound system in the Legislative Chambers; and

WHEREAS, Deborah L. Maturo has faithfully led the Onondaga County Legislature staff through its day to day operations and has given wise counsel to countless Chairman, Floor Leaders and County Legislators; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that Chairman David H. Knapp and all members of the Onondaga County Legislature do hereby wish to recognize and honor Deborah L. Maturo for her many years of dedicated service to the Onondaga County Legislature.

I hereby certify that the foregoing was duly noted by the County Legislature of Onondaga County, New York.
Witness my hand and seal of said Legislature.



Deputy Clerk, County Legislature

Deborah Maturo

From: Eric Gamboa <mensurrat@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 7:39 PM
To: Deborah Maturo
Subject: Support independent Re Districting

Follow Up Flag: Flag for follow up
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NOTICE: This email originated from outside of Onondaga County's email system. **Use caution** with links and attachments.

I understand that through you I can state for the record my support for Legislator Chris Ryan's new bill Local Law B — that ends gerrymandering and creates a citizen-led, independent re districting.

As a resident of the City of Syracuse I wholeheartedly support this measure.

Thank you!

Eric G. Gamboa-Caneo

Enviado desde mi iPhone

Deborah Maturo

From: Rich Puchalski <rich@sunaction.org>
Sent: Tuesday, June 2, 2020 10:03 AM
To: Deborah Maturo
Cc: Rich Puchalski
Subject: Energy tax 1-- Onondaga County Legislature Public Hearing comment June 2, 2020

NOTICE: This email originated from outside of Onondaga County's email system. Use **caution** with links and attachments.

Ms Maturo--please confirm receipt for today's County Legislature 1 pm **Public Comment --**
THANK YOU.

Can we get email addresses for each member of the legislature sent to rich@sunaction.org ?

County Executive Ryan McMahon and Members of the Onondaga County Legislature:

With two days notice (Sunday's PS Article) the County Executive has issued another edict -
"JACK UP

THEIR NATIONAL GRID." under this pandemic. This is flat out WRONG. Syracuse United Neighbors
(SUN)

condemns this notice and members of the County Legislature MUST call out the County Executive on not
giving

US DUE PROCESS NOTICE with the opportunity to QUESTION it and the opportunity to make our views
known in

a timely manner. Where's OUR PUBLIC HEARING Mr Executive? WE CAN'T HEAR YOU.

We pay the HIGHEST property taxes in the country including a \$453/year County Sewer Tax
on a one family home and we pay a 4% sales tax. YOUR taxes go up year after year!

County residents for more that 10 weeks are staying home. People are laid off, no income to pay
daily life expenses

like mortgages, rent, utility bills, food on the table, etc. Many rely on the Food Bank and/or
church

community food give-aways. but LETS PILE ON THE PAIN Mr Executive?

Now comes the County Executive McMahon with demands that residents who pay National Grid for
electricity,

gas for heat, and now will have to pay an energy tax on something we all MUST HAVE TO SURVIVE! This is a REGRESSIVE

TAX. Has the County Legislature looked at the number of County residents who had there utility shut off in the last

few months and years? THERE'S MORE PAIN COMING: National Grid has a plan on the table to KICK - IN ANOTHER

\$110 MILLION RATE INCREASE. Lets PILE IT ON TO THOSE WHO CAN'T KEEP MAKE ENDS MEET.

County Executive McMahon has a nice income and he looks down on the low-income people in the

city and says you "GET HEAP and this new tax shouldn't be a problem. The HEAP grants should help pay for this NEW TAX. " Not everyone on the south and westside of the City that's in SUN's target area gets HEAP Mr COUNTY EXECUTIVE. Those that do are entitled to that grant because of our cold nasty long

winters, we live in old wood frame drafty homes and have a poverty family income--many are on fixed income-

Social Security, SSI, Unemployment Insurance or Worker's Compensation.

We look to Members of the County Legislature to RALLY OUR COUNTY TAXPAYERS FOR HELP-- FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. BIG BUSINESS HAS BEEN HELP. BUT WILL YOU DO IT?

Syracuse United Neighbors (SUN) is a 43 year old community membership organization active on the city's south, southwest and near-westside. We organize residents around the issues of housing, anti-crime initiatives, employment policies and better services from our local government.

Thank you.

Rich Puchalski
Executive Director
Syracuse United Neighbors
1540 S Salina St
Syracuse, New York 13205
476-7475
rich@sunaction.org

[SUN Information on Facebook](#)



June 2, 2020

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Motion Made By Mr. Knapp, Mr. Bush

RESOLUTION NO. _____

IN MEMORIAM

WHEREAS, it has pleased Almighty God to remove from this Earth Gerald Mingolelli, Jr., and

WHEREAS, Gerald Mingolelli, Jr., served as an Onondaga County Legislator for 18 years from 1976 -1993 and as Majority Leader from 1982 – 1983; and

WHEREAS, Gerald Mingolelli, Jr. graduated from North High School and attended Syracuse University and Syracuse School of Law where he became a lawyer; and

WHEREAS, Gerald Mingolelli, Jr. also worked as counsel to New York State Senate Majority Leader Warren Anderson of Binghamton where he wrote New York's Eminent Domain legislation that was signed into law by Governor Hugh Carey in 1974; and

WHEREAS, Gerald Mingolelli, Jr.'s accomplishments as a County Legislator included achieving landmark status for the Onondaga County War Memorial and instituting Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday as a county holiday; and

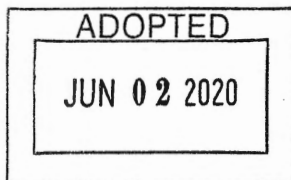
WHEREAS, Gerald Mingolelli, Jr. was also known as an outstanding athlete, lettering in football and baseball at North High School, batting .400 as a centerfielder at Syracuse University, and holding the position of Syracuse YMCA handball champion for many years in the 1970s and 1980s; and

WHEREAS, Gerald Mingolelli, Jr. leaves behind his sons Gerald and Samuel, daughter Rachel, seven grandchildren, brothers Ralph and Brian, and five nephews and nieces; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the members of the Onondaga County Legislature do hereby express sincere and heartfelt sympathy to the family and friends of Gerald Mingolelli, Jr.; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that this resolution be spread among the minutes of this Onondaga County Legislature, and a copy be prepared and provided to the family of Gerald Mingolelli, Jr.

In Memoriam Mingolelli
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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING IS A TRUE AND EXACT COPY OF LEGISLATION DULY ADOPTED BY THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF ONONDAGA COUNTY ON THE

2nd DAY OF June, 2020.

Deborah A. Maturo

CLERK, COUNTY LEGISLATURE
ONONDAGA COUNTY, NEW YORK

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/				JUNE 2, 2020 SESSION	
LEGISLATOR	AYES:	NOES:	ABSENT:		
1. MAY	✓				
17. ERVIN	✓				
6. ABBOTT-KENAN	✓				
7. KUHN	✓				
8. RYAN	✓				
9. CHASE	✓				
10. HOLMQUIST	✓				
11. McBRIDE	✓				
13. BUSH	✓				
14. JORDAN	✓				
15. KINNE	✓				
16. WILLIAMS	✓				
2. ROWLEY	✓				
3. BURTIS	✓				
4. TASSONE	✓				
5. CODY	✓				
12. KNAPP	✓				
TOTAL	17	0			

June 2, 2020

Motion Made By Mr. Knapp

RESOLUTION NO. _____

AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 372-1967, REGARDING THE IMPOSITION AND DISPOSITION
OF SALES AND COMPENSATING USE TAX PURSUANT TO ARTICLES 28 AND 29 OF THE
TAX LAW OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

WHEREAS, the Onondaga County Board of Supervisors, by Resolution No. 372-1967, imposed a tax on sales and use of tax pursuant to Articles 28 and 29 of the New York State Tax Law; and

WHEREAS, on November 29, 1979 the Onondaga County Legislature by Resolution No. 582-1979, amended Resolution No. 372-1967 by adding sections 2-A and 6(j), and approved a two- year phased plan to reduce and exempt the sales and use tax rate on residential energy sources and related services from the levy of sales tax, making those revenue sources exempt as of 1982 to the present; and

WHEREAS, the Onondaga County Legislature seeks to include residential energy sources and related services in the levy calculation of local sales and use tax to enhance revenues; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Onondaga County Legislature does hereby amend Resolution No. 372-1967, as amended by Resolution No. 582-1979, by amending paragraph (1) of subdivision (j) of Section 6 thereof to read as follows:

- (1) Receipts from the retail sale or use of fuel oil (excluding diesel motor fuel) and coal used for residential purposes and the receipts from the retail sale or use of wood used for residential heating purposes shall be exempt from the tax on retail sales imposed by subdivision (a) of Section 2 and the compensating use tax imposed under Section 4 of this Resolution, and the receipts from every sale other than for resale of propane (except when sold in containers of less than one hundred pounds), natural gas, electricity, steam and gas, electric and steam services used for residential purposes shall be exempt from the tax imposed by subdivision (b) of Section 2 of this Resolution. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this subdivision, the exemption set forth in this subdivision shall not apply to sales made or uses occurring during the period commencing on September 1, 2020 and ending on November 30, 2022.

and, be it further

RESOLVED, that in all other respects Resolution No. 372-1967, as amended, remains in full force and effect; and, be it further

RESOLVED that this resolution shall take effect immediately; provided, however, that it shall apply to receipts from all retail sales and uses of residential energy sources and services as described above made, rendered or arising therefrom for the period commencing on September 1, 2020 and ending on November 30, 2022, although made or rendered under a prior contract, if a delivery or transfer of possession of such property or services is made on or after September 1, 2020 and on or before November 30, 2022; and provided further, that where such property or service is sold on a monthly, quarterly or other term basis and the bills for such property or services are based on meter readings, the amount received on each bill for such property or service for a month or quarter or other term shall be taxable receipts based on meters read on or after September 1, 2020 and on or before November 30, 2022, only where more than one-half of the number of days included in the month or other period billed are days subsequent to September 1, 2020 or prior to November 30, 2022, as applicable; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of Onondaga County Legislature is hereby directed to file certified copies of this Resolution by certified mail with the New York State Tax Commission at its office in Albany, the Clerk for the City of Syracuse, the Onondaga County Clerk, the Secretary of State, and the State Comptroller, in accordance with Section 1210(d) of the New York State Tax Law.

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May 20, 2020
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ONONDAGA COUNTY
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*Motion to table to
the next session 2*

JUNE 2, 2020
SESSION

LEGISLATOR	AYES:	NOES:	ABSENT:	
1. MAY	✓			<i>Ms. Abbott-Kenan made a motion to table. Chairman Knapp stated that the tabling motion should be to the next session.</i>
17. ERVIN	✓			
6. ABBOTT-KENAN	✓			
7. KUHN	✓			
8. RYAN	✓			
9. CHASE	✓			
10. HOLMQUIST	✓			
11. McBRIDE	✓			
13. BUSH	✓			
14. JORDAN	✓			
15. KINNE	✓			
16. WILLIAMS	✓			
2. ROWLEY		✓		
3. BURTIS		✓		
4. TASSONE	✓			
5. CODY	✓			
12. KNAPP	✓			
TOTAL	15	2		<i>Motion carried.</i>

Waiver

2a.

June 2, 2020

076

Motion Made By Mr. Williams, Mrs. Ervin,
Ms. Kuhn, Mr. Ryan, Mr. Kinne, Dr. Chase,
Mrs. Abbott-Kenan, Mr. Bush

RESOLUTION NO. _____

MEMORIALIZING RESOLUTION CONDEMNING ACTS OF POLICE BRUTALITY ACROSS THE
NATION THAT LED TO THE TRAGIC AND UNNECESSARY LOSS OF LIFE OF GEORGE
FLOYD IN MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA

WHEREAS, police brutality and the death of George Floyd do not reflect the actions of the majority
of police officers across the nation and Onondaga County; and

WHEREAS, the Onondaga County Legislature recognizes that most police officers reject acts of
violence, police brutality and the use of excessive force as serious violations of human rights and civil
liberties in our nation; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Onondaga County, from all walks of life, have been saddened by the
unnecessary loss of life, and have exercised their constitutional right to engage in peaceful protests and
speak out against violence; and

WHEREAS, the killing of George Floyd by police, and other men of color, has traumatized the
citizens of Onondaga County and our nation, particularly, our youth of color, and destabilized communities
and public safety; and

WHEREAS, nationally, police violence is a leading cause of death for young Men of Color and
People of Color are killed by police officers at disproportionately higher rates than their White peers; and

WHEREAS, police brutality and the use of excessive force inflicts intergenerational harm and
trauma to families, and intensifies our nation's mental health crisis; and

WHEREAS the Onondaga County Legislature has a moral obligation to unite and heal our
community by protecting the civil rights and liberties of all people; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Onondaga County Legislature recognizes this deeply somber moment in our
history, and condemns all acts of brutality, racial profiling, and the use of excessive force by police officers
and urges reform and police accountability; and, be it further

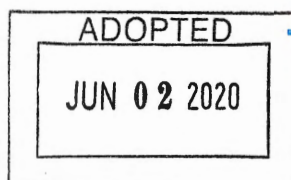
RESOLVED, that the Clerk of this Legislature hereby is directed to send this resolution to the
elected officials representing Onondaga County.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING IS A TRUE AND
EXACT COPY OF LEGISLATION DULY ADOPTED BY THE
COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF ONONDAGA COUNTY ON THE

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2nd DAY OF June, 2020

Deborah A. Maturo

CLERK, COUNTY LEGISLATURE
ONONDAGA COUNTY

2a.

JUNE 2, 2020
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LEGISLATOR	AYES:	NOES:	ABSENT:	
1. MAY	✓			
17. ERVIN	✓			Mr. Williams
6. ABBOTT-KENAN	✓			requested a
7. KUHN	✓			waiver. No
8. RYAN	✓			objection; waiver
9. CHASE	✓			allowed.
10. HOLMQUIST	✓			
11. McBRIDE	✓			
13. BUSH	✓			Mr. Bush
14. JORDAN	✓			requested to
15. KINNE	✓			be listed as a
16. WILLIAMS	✓			co-sponsor.
2. ROWLEY	✓			
3. BURTIS	✓			
4. TASSONE	✓			
5. CODY	✓			
12. KNAPP	✓			
TOTAL	17	0		

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June 2, 2020

077

Motion Made By Mr. Burtis

RESOLUTION NO. _____

MORTGAGE TAX APPORTIONMENT

RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 261 of the Tax Law, the Commissioner of Finance be hereby authorized and directed to forthwith draw warrants and deliver the same to the supervisors of the several towns in the County of Onondaga; the treasurers of the respective villages in said towns; and the City of Syracuse, covering the amounts due respectively for mortgage tax payments for the period October 1, 2019 through March 31, 2020.

APPORTIONMENT OF TOWNS AND CITY:

Camillus	438,798.41
Cicero	328,261.44
Clay	602,948.46
DeWitt	481,223.78
Elbridge	35,328.81
Fabius	12,867.56
Geddes	98,257.87
LaFayette	46,863.99
Lysander	261,960.72
Manlius	292,127.47
Marcellus	51,459.57
Onondaga	229,119.12
Otisco	29,055.40
Pompey	88,687.79
Salina	230,952.45
Skaneateles	187,934.23
Spafford	55,097.53
Tully	16,711.37
VanBuren	124,969.98
City of Syracuse	603,624.31

4,216,250.26

APPORTIONMENT OF VILLAGES:

Camillus	6,149.23
Cicero-North Syracuse	8,270.17
Clay-North Syracuse	17,141.39
East Syracuse	19,437.15
Elbridge	3,630.96
Jordan	2,762.79
Fabius	702.61
Solvay	17,338.46
Lysander-Baldwinsville	22,275.06
Fayetteville	20,804.84
Manlius	19,710.15
Minoa	11,459.75

Marcellus
Liverpool
Skaneateles
Tully
Van Buren-Baldwinsville

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9,223.37
36,240.79
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8,981.86

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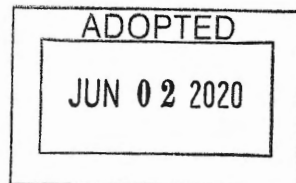
MORTGAGE TAX

<u>TOWN</u>	<u>AMOUNT OF TAXES COLLECTED AS ADJUSTED AND CORRECTED</u>	<u>NET AMOUNT DUE EACH DISTRICT</u>
CITY OF SYRACUSE	619,986.14	603,624.31
CAMILLUS	457,008.38	444,947.64
CICERO	345,653.63	336,531.61
CLAY	636,897.99	620,089.85
DEWITT	514,231.83	500,660.93
ELBRIDGE	42,853.49	41,722.56
FABIUS	13,938.00	13,570.17
GEDDES	118,729.68	115,596.33
LAFAYETTE	48,134.28	46,863.99
LYSANDER	291,940.27	284,235.78
MANLIUS	353,429.44	344,102.21
MARCELLUS	59,204.50	57,642.06
ONONDAGA	235,329.62	229,119.12
OTISCO	29,842.97	29,055.40
POMPEY	91,091.76	88,687.79
SALINA	246,686.02	240,175.82
SKANEATELES	230,251.50	224,175.02
SPAFFORD	56,591.00	55,097.53
TULLY	19,015.19	18,513.37
VAN BUREN	<u>137,582.74</u>	<u>133,951.84</u>
	4,548,398.43	4,428,363.33

DISTRIBUTION RATE

0.97360937001

mortgage tax reso 2020
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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING IS A TRUE AND
EXACT COPY OF LEGISLATION DULY ADOPTED BY THE
COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF ONONDAGA COUNTY ON THE

2nd DAY OF June, 2020.

Deborah A. Matuso

CLERK, COUNTY LEGISLATURE
ONONDAGA COUNTY, NEW YORK

20 MAY 14 PM 1:38

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3				JUNE 2, 2020 SESSION
LEGISLATOR	AYES:	NOES:	ABSENT:	
1. MAY	✓			
17. ERVIN	✓			
6. ABBOTT-KENAN	✓			
7. KUHN	✓			
8. RYAN	✓			
9. CHASE	✓			
10. HOLMQUIST	✓			
11. McBRIDE	✓			
13. BUSH	✓			
14. JORDAN	✓			
15. KINNE	✓			
16. WILLIAMS	✓			
2. ROWLEY	✓			
3. BURTIS	✓			
4. TASSONE	✓			
5. CODY	✓			
12. KNAPP	✓			
TOTAL	17	0		

June 2, 2020

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Motion Made By Mr. Burtis

RESOLUTION NO. _____

ACCEPTING A DONATION FROM LIONS CLUB INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION FOR FIRST RESPONDERS DURING THE COVID-19 CRISIS

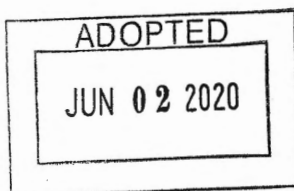
WHEREAS, on March 14, 2020, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Onondaga County Executive J. Ryan McMahon, II declared a state of emergency within the territorial limits of the County, pursuant to the authority vested in him by state law; and

WHEREAS, one key element of the COVID-19 battle is the ability of our First Responders to act swiftly in the face of this crisis, while remaining mindful of the need to protect their own health and safety; and

WHEREAS, the Lions Club International Foundation is making a donation in the sum of \$7,500 for meal respite for Onondaga County First Responders, and it is necessary to authorize the acceptance of such donated funds; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that this County Legislature authorizes the acceptance of the donated funds from the Lions Club International Foundation in the amount of \$7,500 to pay for respite meals for Onondaga County First Responders.

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2nd DAY OF June, 2020

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LEGISLATOR	AYES:	NOES:	ABSENT:	
1. MAY	✓			
17. ERVIN	✓			
6. ABBOTT-KENAN	✓			
7. KUHN	✓			
8. RYAN	✓			
9. CHASE	✓			
10. HOLMQUIST	✓			
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2. ROWLEY	✓			
3. BURTIS	✓			
4. TASSONE	✓			
5. CODY	✓			
12. KNAPP	✓			
TOTAL	17	0		

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June 2, 2020

079

Motion Made By Mr. Burtis, Ms. Cody

RESOLUTION NO. _____

ADOPTION OF ANNUAL BUDGET FOR ONONDAGA COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR SEPTEMBER 1, 2020, TO AUGUST 31, 2021, AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO ENTER INTO CONTRACTS WITH OTHER GOVERNMENTAL UNITS IN WHICH APPROPRIATIONS AND REVENUES ARE APPROVED BY THE ADOPTION OF THE 2021 BUDGET

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 6304 of the Education Law, as amended by Chapter 631 of the Laws of 1965 and pursuant to Article VI of the Onondaga County Charter, the Ways and Means Committee has reviewed the tentative proposed Onondaga Community College Budget for the fiscal year September 1, 2020, to August 31, 2021, having held a public hearing upon such tentative proposed budget on May 27, 2020, pursuant to Resolution No. 74-2020, adopted on May 5, 2020, and all persons desiring to be heard were heard at such public hearing; and

WHEREAS, the total Tentative Community College Budget presented to this Legislature was in the estimated amount of \$66,607,769 required for Community College Operating Fund purposes. From this estimated total of \$66,607,769 for the Community College Operating Fund was deducted the amount of \$56,735,769 estimated as revenues, leaving a net budget for the Community College Operating Fund subject to tax levy of \$9,872,000 (Tentative Local Sponsor's Contribution). The total amount estimated for grants to be received by the Community College in 2020-2021 is \$14,000,000; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that said 2020-2021 Tentative Community College Budget heretofore prepared and submitted by the County Executive and subsequently reviewed by the Ways and Means Committee as hereinafter set forth, be and the same hereby is adopted for 2020-2021 with no changes; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Adopted Operating Budget for Onondaga Community College for the fiscal year September 1, 2020, through August 31, 2021, in the amount of \$66,607,769 with the County financial assistance of \$9,872,000 be and hereby is approved; and, be it further

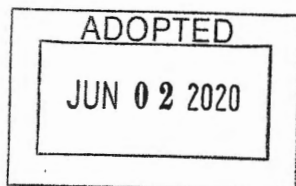
RESOLVED, that the estimated grant activity in the Community College's 2020-2021 Annual Budget is \$14,000,000; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that expenditures from this budget be made by the Board of Trustees of Onondaga Community College pursuant to the provisions of Resolution No. 111 - 1970 by this County Legislature and that such expenditures be subject to the terms and conditions of such appropriations and to such regulations regarding the custody, deposit, audit and payment thereof as this County Legislature may deem proper; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the sum of \$9,872,000 be included in the 2021 Annual County Budget in Appropriation Account 668750 Transfer to Community College Fund. Such sum represents the Local Sponsor's (County of Onondaga) contribution to the Community College, and therefore the sum shall be subject to tax levy for Community College purposes and is hereby made a part of the tax levy for the County of Onondaga for the fiscal year January 1, 2021, to December 31, 2021; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that this resolution evidences authorization for the execution of agreements and such other documents as may be reasonably necessary with other units of government involving items for which appropriations or revenues have been approved by adoption of this 2020-2021 Onondaga Community College Budget.

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7. KUHN	✓			
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3. BURTIS	✓			
4. TASSONE	✓			
5. CODY	✓			
12. KNAPP	✓			
TOTAL	17	0		

June 2, 2020

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Motion Made By Mr. Burtis, Mrs. Abbott-Kenan

RESOLUTION NO. _____

APPROVING THE INCLUSION OF VIABLE AGRICULTURAL LAND WITHIN CERTIFIED
AGRICULTURAL DISTRICTS PURSUANT TO SECTION 303-B OF THE NEW YORK STATE
AGRICULTURE AND MARKETS LAW

WHEREAS, Section 303-B of Agriculture and Markets Law provides land owners with an annual thirty day period to submit requests for the inclusion of predominantly viable agricultural lands within certified agricultural districts; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 71-2004, that thirty-day period began January 1, 2020, and ended January 30, 2020; and

WHEREAS, land owners have filed requests for inclusion of predominantly viable agricultural land within certified agricultural districts; and

WHEREAS, the County referred the requests to the Onondaga County Agriculture and Farmland Protection Board, and that Board has reviewed such requests and determined that such property, other than Town of Elbridge parcels 029.-03-14.2 and 029.-03-35.0, consists predominantly of viable agricultural land and that the inclusion of such land, other than Town of Elbridge parcels 029.-03-14.2 and 029.-03-35.0, would serve the public interest by assisting in maintaining a viable agricultural industry within the districts, and recommends such property for inclusion within the certified agricultural districts, excepting the parcel within the Town of Elbridge; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on Tuesday, June 2, 2020 at 12:55 p.m. relating to such requested inclusions; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the proposed action is an Unlisted action and this Legislature shall act as the Lead Agency for the purposes of the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA); and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Short Environmental Assessment Form for this project has been completed and reviewed and is on file with the Clerk of the Legislature; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that this Legislature hereby finds and declares a negative declaration under SEQRA in that there is no anticipated construction and no anticipated change in use, that the identified possible impacts, if any, on air quality and surface water quality will not be significant and there is little likelihood of significant adverse environmental impacts; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that based on the recommendation of the Agriculture and Farmland Protection Board and information provided through the public hearing, this Onondaga County Legislature hereby adopts and approves the inclusion of the requested viable agricultural land within certified Agricultural District No. 3, with the exception of Town of Elbridge parcels 029.-03-14.2 and 029.-03-35.0; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that in accordance with Section 303-B of Agriculture and Markets Law the modifications to Agricultural District No. 3 are hereby described as follows, and include the following parcels listed by agricultural district, town, owner, parcel number, and acreage:

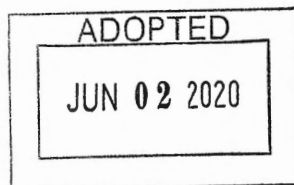
ONONDAGA COUNTY AGRICULTURAL DISTRICTS 2020 RECOMMENDED ADDITIONS				
DISTRICT	TOWN	OWNER	PARCEL	ACRES*
1	ONONDAGA	KEITH A SEARLE	053.-02-14.0	2.78
1	ONONDAGA	ROSARIA & THOMAS GIANNINO	055.-03-52.3	25.62
District 1 Total				28.40
3	CAMILLUS	HIGH MEADOW ACRES LLC	023.-01-22.1	72.41
3	ELBRIDGE	JAMES H MANLEY	042.-02-06.1	22.42
3	ELBRIDGE	TIMOTHY A POSECZNICK	043.-03-11.0	8.33
District 3 Total				103.16
GRAND TOTAL				131.56
Two requested parcels are not recommended for addition in 2020 (Elbridge, 029.-03-14.2 and 029.-03-35.0).				
* Calculated using a Geographic Information System, not Real Property Services (RPS) data.				

and, be it further

RESOLVED, that should these parcels be subdivided prior to the expiration of said Districts, each subdivision would automatically be considered a part of said Districts, and would remain in the District while it is in effect; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of this Legislature is to submit a copy of this resolution, together with the report of the Onondaga County Agriculture and Farmland Protection Board including tax map numbers and maps for each parcel of land to be included in an agricultural district to the Commissioner of the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets.

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Short Environmental Assessment Form

Part 1 - Project Information

Instructions for Completing

Part 1 – Project Information. The applicant or project sponsor is responsible for the completion of Part 1. Responses become part of the application for approval or funding, are subject to public review, and may be subject to further verification. Complete Part 1 based on information currently available. If additional research or investigation would be needed to fully respond to any item, please answer as thoroughly as possible based on current information.

Complete all items in Part 1. You may also provide any additional information which you believe will be needed by or useful to the lead agency; attach additional pages as necessary to supplement any item.

Part 1 – Project and Sponsor Information			
Name of Action or Project: Annual addition of viable agricultural lands to Agricultural Districts in Onondaga County			
Project Location (describe, and attach a location map): Various locations in Onondaga County - refer to County Legislature resolution and/or Report to the County Legislature for full list and map of properties.			
Brief Description of Proposed Action: Annual addition of viable agricultural lands to Agricultural Districts in Onondaga County. Refer to Onondaga County Legislature resolution for full list of properties recommended for addition to Agricultural Districts			
Name of Applicant or Sponsor: Onondaga County Legislature		Telephone: 315-435-2070 E-Mail: debbiematturo@ongov.net	
Address: Onondaga County Courthouse, Room 407, 401 Montgomery St			
City/PO: Syracuse		State: NY	Zip Code: 13202
1. Does the proposed action only involve the legislative adoption of a plan, local law, ordinance, administrative rule, or regulation? If Yes, attach a narrative description of the intent of the proposed action and the environmental resources that may be affected in the municipality and proceed to Part 2. If no, continue to question 2.		NO <input type="checkbox"/>	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
2. Does the proposed action require a permit, approval or funding from any other government Agency? If Yes, list agency(s) name and permit or approval:		NO <input type="checkbox"/>	YES <input type="checkbox"/>
3. a. Total acreage of the site of the proposed action? _____ acres b. Total acreage to be physically disturbed? _____ acres c. Total acreage (project site and any contiguous properties) owned or controlled by the applicant or project sponsor? _____ acres			
4. Check all land uses that occur on, are adjoining or near the proposed action: <input type="checkbox"/> Urban <input type="checkbox"/> Rural (non-agriculture) <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Residential (suburban) <input type="checkbox"/> Forest <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture <input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic <input type="checkbox"/> Other(Specify): <input type="checkbox"/> Parkland			

5. Is the proposed action,	NO	YES	N/A
a. A permitted use under the zoning regulations?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Consistent with the adopted comprehensive plan?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Is the proposed action consistent with the predominant character of the existing built or natural landscape?	NO	YES	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
7. Is the site of the proposed action located in, or does it adjoin, a state listed Critical Environmental Area?	NO	YES	
If Yes, identify: _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
8. a. Will the proposed action result in a substantial increase in traffic above present levels?	NO	YES	
b. Are public transportation services available at or near the site of the proposed action?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
c. Are any pedestrian accommodations or bicycle routes available on or near the site of the proposed action?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
9. Does the proposed action meet or exceed the state energy code requirements?	NO	YES	
If the proposed action will exceed requirements, describe design features and technologies: _____ _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
10. Will the proposed action connect to an existing public/private water supply?	NO	YES	
If No, describe method for providing potable water: _____ _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
11. Will the proposed action connect to existing wastewater utilities?	NO	YES	
If No, describe method for providing wastewater treatment: _____ _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
12. a. Does the project site contain, or is it substantially contiguous to, a building, archaeological site, or district which is listed on the National or State Register of Historic Places, or that has been determined by the Commissioner of the NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation to be eligible for listing on the State Register of Historic Places?	NO	YES	
b. Is the project site, or any portion of it, located in or adjacent to an area designated as sensitive for archaeological sites on the NY State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) archaeological site inventory?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
13. a. Does any portion of the site of the proposed action, or lands adjoining the proposed action, contain wetlands or other waterbodies regulated by a federal, state or local agency?	NO	YES	
b. Would the proposed action physically alter, or encroach into, any existing wetland or waterbody?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
If Yes, identify the wetland or waterbody and extent of alterations in square feet or acres: _____ _____ _____			

14. Identify the typical habitat types that occur on, or are likely to be found on the project site. Check all that apply: <input type="checkbox"/> Shoreline <input type="checkbox"/> Forest <input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural/grasslands <input type="checkbox"/> Early mid-successional <input type="checkbox"/> Wetland <input type="checkbox"/> Urban <input type="checkbox"/> Suburban		
15. Does the site of the proposed action contain any species of animal, or associated habitats, listed by the State or Federal government as threatened or endangered?	NO	YES
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
16. Is the project site located in the 100-year flood plan?	NO	YES
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
17. Will the proposed action create storm water discharge, either from point or non-point sources? If Yes,	NO	YES
a. Will storm water discharges flow to adjacent properties?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Will storm water discharges be directed to established conveyance systems (runoff and storm drains)? If Yes, briefly describe:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

18. Does the proposed action include construction or other activities that would result in the impoundment of water or other liquids (e.g., retention pond, waste lagoon, dam)? If Yes, explain the purpose and size of the impoundment:	NO	YES
_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

19. Has the site of the proposed action or an adjoining property been the location of an active or closed solid waste management facility? If Yes, describe:	NO	YES
_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

20. Has the site of the proposed action or an adjoining property been the subject of remediation (ongoing or completed) for hazardous waste? If Yes, describe:	NO	YES
_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION PROVIDED ABOVE IS TRUE AND ACCURATE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE Applicant/sponsor name: <u>Onondaga County Legislature</u> Date: <u>June 2, 2020</u> Signature: <u><i>Christie A. Thompson</i></u> Title: <u>Chairman</u>		

Project:

Date:

Short Environmental Assessment Form
Part 2 - Impact Assessment

Part 2 is to be completed by the Lead Agency.

Answer all of the following questions in Part 2 using the information contained in Part 1 and other materials submitted by the project sponsor or otherwise available to the reviewer. When answering the questions the reviewer should be guided by the concept "Have my responses been reasonable considering the scale and context of the proposed action?"

	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
1. Will the proposed action create a material conflict with an adopted land use plan or zoning regulations?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Will the proposed action result in a change in the use or intensity of use of land?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Will the proposed action impair the character or quality of the existing community?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Will the proposed action have an impact on the environmental characteristics that caused the establishment of a Critical Environmental Area (CEA)?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Will the proposed action result in an adverse change in the existing level of traffic or affect existing infrastructure for mass transit, biking or walkway?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Will the proposed action cause an increase in the use of energy and it fails to incorporate reasonably available energy conservation or renewable energy opportunities?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Will the proposed action impact existing:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
a. public / private water supplies?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. public / private wastewater treatment utilities?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Will the proposed action impair the character or quality of important historic, archaeological, architectural or aesthetic resources?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Will the proposed action result in an adverse change to natural resources (e.g., wetlands, waterbodies, groundwater, air quality, flora and fauna)?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. Will the proposed action result in an increase in the potential for erosion, flooding or drainage problems?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. Will the proposed action create a hazard to environmental resources or human health?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Project: _____

Date: _____

Short Environmental Assessment Form

Part 3 Determination of Significance

For every question in Part 2 that was answered "moderate to large impact may occur", or if there is a need to explain why a particular element of the proposed action may or will not result in a significant adverse environmental impact, please complete Part 3. Part 3 should, in sufficient detail, identify the impact, including any measures or design elements that have been included by the project sponsor to avoid or reduce impacts. Part 3 should also explain how the lead agency determined that the impact may or will not be significant. Each potential impact should be assessed considering its setting, probability of occurring, duration, irreversibility, geographic scope and magnitude. Also consider the potential for short-term, long-term and cumulative impacts.

<input type="checkbox"/>	Check this box if you have determined, based on the information and analysis above, and any supporting documentation, that the proposed action may result in one or more potentially large or significant adverse impacts and an environmental impact statement is required.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Check this box if you have determined, based on the information and analysis above, and any supporting documentation, that the proposed action will not result in any significant adverse environmental impacts.
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="width: 45%;"> <p>Onondaga County Legislature</p> <p>_____ Name of Lead Agency</p> <p>David Knapp</p> <p>_____ Print or Type Name of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency</p> <p>_____ Signature of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency</p> </div> <div style="width: 45%; text-align: right;"> <p><i>June 2, 2020</i> _____ Date</p> <p>Chairman</p> <p>_____ Title of Responsible Officer</p> <p><i>MD</i> _____ Signature of Preparer (if different from Responsible Officer)</p> </div> </div>	

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1. MAY	✓				
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4. TASSONE	✓				
5. CODY	✓				
12. KNAPP	✓				
TOTAL	17	0			

June 2, 2020

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Motion Made By Mr. Burtis , Mrs. Abbott-Kenan

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RENEWING WITH MODIFICATION AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT NO. 2, IN THE TOWNS OF
MARCELLUS, SKANEATELES AND SPAFFORD

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 303-a of the New York State Agriculture and Markets Law, this Onondaga County Legislature adopted Resolution No. 180-2017 providing for notice of the eight-year review of Agricultural District No. 2 in the Towns of Marcellus, Skaneateles and Spafford; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No.70-2020, this Onondaga County Legislature authorized a public hearing on said agricultural district renewal at the Onondaga County Courthouse on Tuesday June 2, 2020, and such hearing was duly noticed and held; and

WHEREAS, the Onondaga County Legislature has completed the eight-year review of Agricultural District No. 2, and has received from the Onondaga County Agriculture and Farmland Protection Board its report and recommendations regarding the agricultural viability of the district and regarding recommended modifications to the district; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of this Legislature to renew Agricultural District No. 2 with modifications as provided for herein; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the proposed action is an Unlisted action and this Legislature shall act as the Lead Agency for the purposes of the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA); and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Short Environmental Assessment Form for this project has been completed and reviewed and is on file with the Clerk of the Legislature; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that this Legislature hereby finds and declares a negative declaration under SEQRA in that there is no anticipated construction and no anticipated change in use, that the identified possible impacts, if any, on air quality and surface water quality will not be significant and there is little likelihood of significant adverse environmental impacts; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that in accordance with Agriculture and Markets Law, Section 303-a, said Agricultural District No. 2 in the Towns of Marcellus, Skaneateles and Spafford hereby is renewed with the modifications provided for herein; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the modifications to Agricultural District No. 2 are as follows and encompass the following parcels listed by town, owner, parcel number, and acreage:

ADDITIONS				
TOWN	OWNER	TAX ID	AG ACTIVITY	ACRES*
MARCELLUS	SANDY P / JUDITH G BATTAGLIA	013.-02-44.0	HARVESTED WOODLAND	48.01
MARCELLUS Total				48.01
SKANEATELES	TIMOTHY A POSECZNICK	020.-02-02.0	CORN, MAPLE, TIMBER	9.73
SKANEATELES	TIMOTHY A POSECZNICK	020.-02-04.1	CORN, MAPLE, TIMBER	34.71
SKANEATELES	TIMOTHY A POSECZNICK	020.-02-30.0	CORN, MAPLE, TIMBER	16.57
SKANEATELES	TIMOTHY A POSECZNICK	020.-02-39.0	CORN, MAPLE, TIMBER	3.30
SKANEATELES	NORMAN CAY HOLDINGS LLC	047.-01-36.0	GREENHOUSES ; NURSERY	6.88
SKANEATELES	KIMBALL T KRAUS	051.-02-04.1	BARN; FIELD; ALFALFA	11.07
SKANEATELES Total				82.26
GRAND TOTAL				130.27

*Calculated using a Geographic Information System, not Real Property Services (RPS) data.

REMOVALS			
TOWN	OWNER	TAX ID	ACRES*
MARCELLUS	BUETTGENS IRREVOCABLE TRUST A	025.-01-27.1	0.54
MARCELLUS	ROBERT G & SANDRA E DUDDEN	017.-08-15.0	0.84
MARCELLUS	CATHLEEN M & GEORGE A MASON	010.-01-10.0	0.91
MARCELLUS	EILEEN SEARLE & JOHNNY O DEZENZIO	016.-03-14.2	0.73
MARCELLUS	NATALIYA OROSZ	023.-01-22.2	7.27
MARCELLUS Total			10.29
SKANEATELES	STONECIPHER IRREVOCABLE TRUST	035.-03-7.1	1.35
SKANEATELES	DAVID S & DEBORAH J CUTTEN	061.-01-02.1	2.00
SKANEATELES	MARILYN P SKIFF & DAVID J SODERBERG	051.-01-18.5	2.06
SKANEATELES	BRIDGETT M & DWIGHT W WINKLEMAN	051.-01-24.0	4.47
SKANEATELES	JOHN G LAUZON & LUCILLE M LANDRY	019.-02-11.1	5.01
SKANEATELES Total			14.89
SPAFFORD	DONALD W JR & MARY PAT OSBOURNE	014.-02-10.0	0.51
SPAFFORD	JOEL F DELMONICO	001.-01-05.0	4.77
SPAFFORD	HOWARD F & JUDY W HALL	032.-02-01.0	3.42
SPAFFORD Total			8.70
GRAND TOTAL			33.88

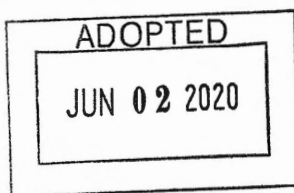
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and, be it further

RESOLVED, that should one or more of these parcels be subdivided prior to the expiration of said District, each of these subdivisions would automatically be considered a part of said District, and would remain in the District while it was in effect; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the district review plan shall be submitted to the Commissioner of the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets as provided for in Section 303-a of the Agriculture and Markets Law.

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TOWNS OF MARCELLUS, SKANEATELES, AND SPAFFORD

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INTRODUCTION

This report presents the findings of the Onondaga County Agriculture and Farmland Protection Board's (AFPB) 2020 eight-year review and final recommendations to the County Legislature for Agricultural District 1 in the Onondaga County towns of Marcellus, Skaneateles and Spafford.

Article 25-AA of the NYS Agriculture and Markets Law was enacted in 1971 to help keep farmland in agricultural production through a combination of landowner incentives and protections that discourage the conversion of farmland to non-agricultural uses, including:

- providing reduced property tax bills for agricultural lands (agricultural landowners must apply to the local tax assessor for an annual agricultural assessment);
- providing the framework to limit unreasonable local regulation on accepted agricultural practices;
- providing Right to Farm provisions that protect accepted agricultural practices from private nuisance suits;
- modifying state agency administrative regulations and procedures to encourage the continuation of agricultural businesses;
- modifying the ability to advance public funds to construct facilities that encourage development;
- preventing benefit assessments, special ad valorem levies, or other rates and fees on farmland for the finance of improvements such as water, sewer or nonfarm drainage; and
- modifying the ability of public agencies to acquire farmland through eminent domain.

Agricultural districts primarily benefit owners of land that is farmed. Being an existing part of an agricultural district does not require that the land be used for agriculture and it does not directly affect tax assessments (agricultural landowners must apply to the local tax assessor for an annual NYS agricultural assessment).

Agricultural districts are reviewed by the Onondaga County Legislature and recertified by the NYS Department of Agriculture and Markets Commissioner every eight years. During the review landowners can decide if they want their property to remain in the district, or be removed or added. The review is announced through public notices and announcements, a municipal notice letter, and a mailing to all landowners within the district, which includes a property owner notice letter, a removal and addition request form, and a farm survey.

Article 25-AA of the NYS Agriculture and Markets Law requires the AFPB to consider the following factors when creating and reviewing an agricultural district:

- the viability of active farming within and adjacent to the district;
- the presence of viable inactive farm lands within and adjacent to the district;
- the nature and extent of land uses other than active farming within and adjacent to the district;
- county developmental patterns and needs; and
- any other relevant matters.

Viable agricultural land, as defined in NYS Agriculture and Markets Law, Article 25-AA, Section 301, sub.7, is "...land highly suitable for a farm operation..." and a farm operation as defined in sub.11 is "...the land and on-farm buildings, equipment, manure processing and handling facilities, and practices which contribute to the production, preparation and marketing of crops, livestock and livestock products as a commercial enterprise... In judging viability, Article 25-AA of the NYS Agriculture and Markets Law requires the AFPB to consider:

- natural factors including soil, climate, topography;
- markets for farm products;
- the extent and nature of farm improvements;
- the present status of farming;
- anticipated trends in agricultural economic conditions and technology; and
- any other relevant factors.

NYS Department of Agriculture & Markets provides guidance in how it defines farm operations and thresholds in determining farm activities to constitute a commercial enterprise, to include factors such as types of products, acreage in production, gross sales and capital investment, experience and commitment. Requested additions are, therefore, examined primarily for the presence and characteristics of onsite and related commercial farm operations and production opportunities, highly suitable land, location relative to existing agricultural districts, nearby development and natural features.

Agricultural District 2 was last reviewed and recertified in 2012. Following the 2012 review and recertification, District 2 encompassed approximately 47,230 acres. Since 2012, property owners have had the option to request to enroll viable agricultural land into the district on an annual basis. As a result, 401.55 acres have been added to District 2 since the last review in 2012.

AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT 2 ANNUAL ADDITIONS SINCE 2012			
YEAR	TOWN	TAX ID	ACRES*
2014	MARCELLUS	012.-01-81.1	115.16
2016	MARCELLUS	012.-01-79.0	134.67
2016	SKANEATELES	025.-01-16.0	46.61
2016	SPAFFORD	015.-01-2.6	34.00
2018	MARCELLUS	015.-03-01.1	23.07
2018	SPAFFORD	027.-04-06.1	48.04
TOTAL			401.55

*None added in 2013, 2015 and 2017

*Calculated using a Geographic Information System, not Real Property Services (RPS) data.

DISTRICT AGRICULTURAL VIABILITY

PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Agricultural District 2 is located on the Allegheny Plateau and extends from the Onondaga Escarpment on the northern boundaries of the Towns of Skaneateles and Marcellus to the southern highlands along the boundary of the Town of Spafford and Cortland County. Elevation within the district ranges from 500 to 600 feet in the northern-most areas near the Onondaga Escarpment to 1,986 feet on Ripley Hill in the southern highlands in the Town of Spafford.

Most of the land in the district can be described as rolling hills and large steep-sided glacial outwash valleys (Skaneateles and Otisco Lakes) that are characteristic of the Allegheny Plateau. Soils in this area consist primarily of deep to moderately deep soils that formed in glacial till in upland areas.

Approximately 80% of the District is composed of high quality farm lands: 46% are Prime Farm Land, 22% are of Statewide Importance, and 12 % are Prime if Drained. Relatively high in calcium as a result of the area's limestone bedrock, much of the soil requires minimal soil amendments to modify pH.

The majority of the area is within the head waters of the Seneca-Oneida-Oswego River Basin and includes Carpenter's Brook, Nine Mile Creek, and Skaneateles Creek, and the Skaneateles Lake and Otisco Lake watersheds and their numerous tributaries in steep, forested ravines, all of which are within the larger Onondaga Lake basin.

FARMLAND SOILS IN DISTRICT 2



Skaneateles Lake is a water supply for the City of Syracuse, the Village of Skaneateles, and areas in the Towns of Skaneateles and Elbridge. Otisco Lake is a public water supply for the Onondaga County Water Authority. A small area incorporating the Cold Brook watershed in southern Spafford is in the Susquehanna River Basin.

LAND OWNERSHIP AND USE

At the start of the review, there were approximately 1,800 land owners who owned 2,606 enrolled parcels totaling 47,637 acres within District 2, according to Onondaga County's geographic information system (GIS). Each of the three towns includes a similar amount of enrolled acreage, ranging from 14,500-18,000 acres. Average parcel sizes were also comparable, ranging from 15-21 acres on average.

EXISTING AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT PARCELS AND ACREAGES BY TOWN				
	MARCELLUS	SKANEATELES	SPAFFORD	TOTALS
NUMBER OF ENROLLED PARCELS	988	865	753	2,606
ACRES* ENROLLED	15,041	18,094	14,502	47,637
AVERAGE PARCEL SIZE (in acres)	15	21	19	18

*Calculated using a Geographic Information System, not Real Property Services (RPS) data.

Two villages occur in Agricultural District 2, and serve as primary commercial and population centers in the area. Approximately 15,000 people live in the three Towns in the district, with 4,300 residents living within the villages. In the Towns of Skaneateles and Spafford, both year-round and seasonal shoreline housing along the two Finger Lakes (Skaneateles and Otisco Lakes) is prevalent. The Finger Lakes Region has grown in popularity in recent years as a tourism destination.

POPULATION IN AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT 2	
MARCELLUS TOWN	6,117
MARCELLUS VILLAGE	1,893
SKANEATELES TOWN	7,198
SKANEATELES VILLAGE	2,411
SPAFFORD TOWN	1,675
TOTAL POPULATION	14,990

*Source 2018 ACS 5-Year Estimates

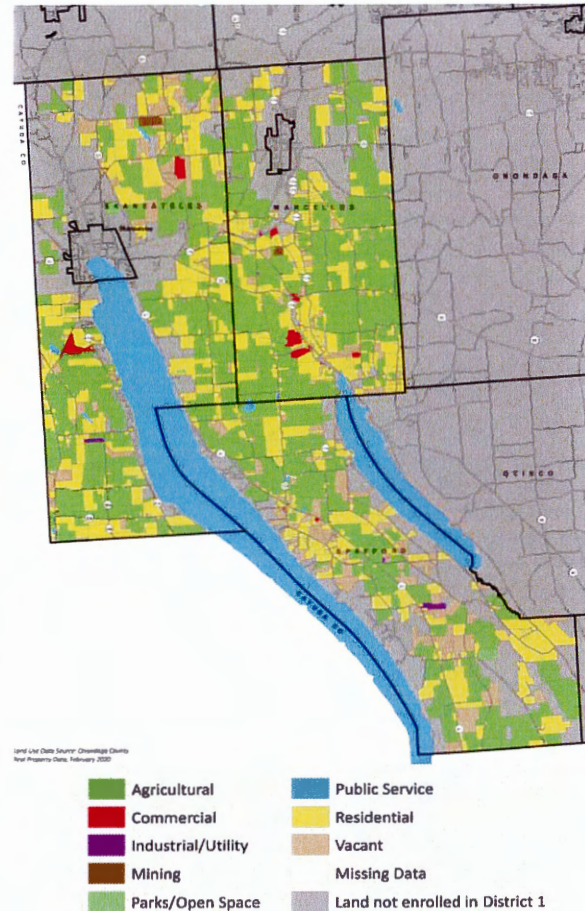
Beyond the shoreline and village centers and a few isolated commercial nodes, land use transitions quickly to agriculture, open wooded lands, and large lot residential. Limits on public sewer infrastructure, travel times to the urban area, and topography tend to limit urban expansion much outside the Villages in this portion of the County, all elements which aide in the preservation of farmland in Agricultural District 2.

A map of land uses occurring in the district shows the concentration of parcels within the district, as well as the primarily agricultural and large-lot residential land uses in the district.

According to Real Property GIS data, the primary land use classifications for enrolled parcels in Agricultural District 2 are residential (1,516 parcels), vacant lands (518 parcels) and agricultural (500 parcels). In terms of acreage, over half of the total enrolled acres (25,853 acres) are classified as agricultural, with 15,605 as residential, and another 5,462 acres classified as vacant lands.

Minimal commercial, industrial or other areas make up the district enrollment. While residential lots appear to make up a large percentage of the enrolled number of parcels, very few subdivision-type developments are located in the district, give limits on sewer and water infrastructure. Most residential is found on large lots, where agriculture may remain as a viable secondary use.

LAND USE IN DISTRICT 2



ENROLLED PARCELS - BY LAND USE, ACREAGE AND TOWN								
	MARCELLUS		SKANEATELES		SPAFFORD		TOTAL # OF PARCELS	TOTAL # OF ACRES
	PARCELS	ACRES	PARCELS	ACRES	PARCELS	ACRES		
AGRICULTURAL	172	9,450	196	9,068	132	7,335	500	25,853
COMMERCIAL	19	168	5	171	4	9	28	348
INDUSTRIAL/UTILITY	6	10	3	28	5	52	14	90
MINING	1	29	1	74	0	0	2	103
PARKS/OPEN SPACE	0	0	2	57	2	67	4	124
PUBLIC SERVICE	6	10	4	12	13	30	23	52
RESIDENTIAL	638	4,540	495	6,757	383	4,308	1,516	15,605
VACANT	146	834	159	1,927	213	2,701	518	5,462
WATER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MISSING DATA	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
TOTAL PARCELS	988	15,041	865	18,094	753	14,502	2,606	47,637

*Calculated using a Geographic Information System, not Real Property Services (RPS) data.

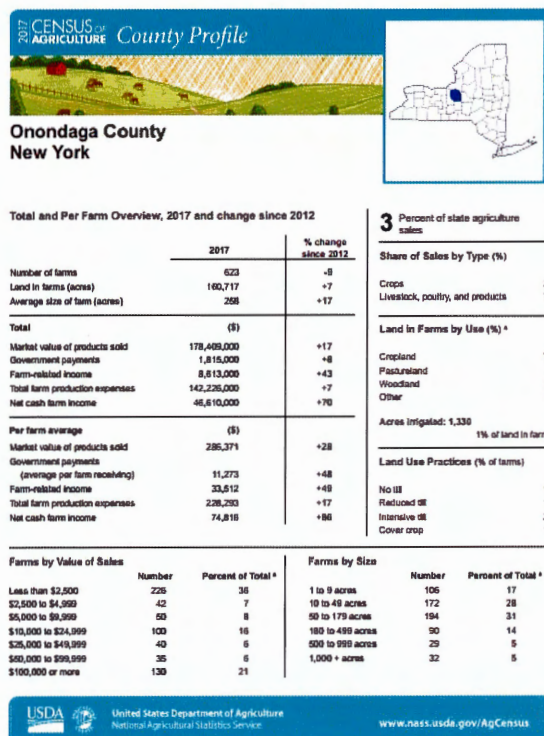
AGRICULTURAL CENSUS

The 2017 US Census of Agriculture indicates a relatively stable farmland community within Onondaga County. Total farmland acreage has remained stable for the past two decades, a result of good soils, market forces, savvy farm operators, a trained labor force, and opportunities for nearby, off-farm employment in a metropolitan area.

According to the 2017 Census of Agriculture, total farm sales in Onondaga County were a record breaking \$178,409,000, up from \$152,050,000 in 2012. And land in farms increased from 150,269 acres in 2012 to 160,717 acres. And the 2017 Census cites 252 new and beginning farmers were added in the 5-year period.

However, the number of part- and full-time farm businesses decreased by 8% percent over this time period, and 10% since 2007, more than the state average. Farms in Onondaga County with more than \$10,000 gross farm sales also decreased from 342 in 2012 to 305 farms in 2017, a 10% change. And the number of farm operators decreased from 1,075 operators in 2012 to 1,068 operators in 2017.

Top crops (in acres) include forage (34,950 acres), corn for silage and greenchop (18,422 acres), corn for grain (18,107 acres), soybeans (8,908 acres) and wheat for grain (5,290 acres). Livestock inventory includes over 47,000 cattle and calves, over 700,000 layers, 230,000 pullets, and 1,244 horses and ponies. Onondaga County ranks in the top 10 in the State for total value of agricultural products sold, (10th), livestock, poultry and products categories (6th), poultry and eggs (3rd), and milk from cows (9th).



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Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold

	Sales (\$1,000)	Rank in State *	Counties Producing Item	Rank in U.S. *	Counties Producing Item
Total	178,409	18	61	620	3,977
Crops	38,678	28	61	1,248	3,973
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	17,296	12	95	1,201	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	7,742	16	60	254	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	4,865	13	60	213	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	3,728	16	60	441	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	276	11	53	138	1,384
Other crops and hay	5,970	27	55	422	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	138,731	6	58	349	3,973
Poultry and eggs	21,432	3	57	418	3,007
Cattle and calves	9,710	16	55	1,277	3,055
Milk from cows	106,816	9	51	76	1,892
Hogs and pigs	(D)	43	55	1,222	2,896
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	282	18	54	580	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	100	47	55	1,441	2,970
Aquaculture	(D)	31	34	(D)	1,251
Other animals and animal products	396	14	58	375	2,878

Total Producers *

Sex	1,068	Percent of farms that:	Top Crops in Acres *
Male	980	Have internet access	Forage (hay/haylage), all
Female	388	86	Corn for silage or greenchop
			Corn for grain
			Soybeans for beans
			Wheat for grain, all
Age		Farm organically	3
<35	57		
35 - 64	660		
65 and older	351		
Race		Sell directly to consumers	21
American Indian/Alaska Native	-		
Asian	-		
Black or African American	-		
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-		
White	1,066	Hire farm labor	29
More than one race	2		
Other characteristics		Are family farms	96
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	5		
Veteran military service	70		
New and beginning farmers	252		

See 2017 Census of Agriculture, U.S. Summary and State Data, for complete footnotes, explanations, definitions, commodity descriptions, and methodologies.
 *May not add to 100% due to rounding. *Among counties whose rank can be displayed. *Data collected for a maximum of four producers per farm.
 *Crop commodity names may be shortened; see full names at www.nass.usda.gov/agcropsnames.pdf. *Position below the line does not indicate rank.
 (D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations. (NA) Not available. (2) Less than half of the unit shown. (3) Represents zero.

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DISTRICT AGRICULTURAL TRENDS

The Onondaga County Soil & Water Conservation District (SWCD) reports the following trends within Agricultural District 2:

Agriculture has survived the low milk and commodity prices over this multi-year slump in their economy. The number of farms is declining but the land base in agriculture production is staying the same. We continue to hear and see that in order for farms to survive into the future, they will have to continue to increase in size and absorb other smaller farms that are struggling to stay in business.

In excess of 1,000 acres of cover crops have been planted annually on corn silage ground to keep the nutrients in the soil and the soil on the land.

Farms that are regulated by the NYS DEC CAFO program have been required to implement manure storage practices in recent years due to changes in the CAFO regulations. The work to implement manure storages to help farms comply with the new regulatory requirements has been steady. Manure storages help farms store manure nutrients during inclement weather patterns such as heavy rains during the growing season and during the winter when the ground is frozen, snow covered, or saturated.

The support by the City of Syracuse's Skaneateles Lake Watershed Agricultural Program (SLWAP) on Skaneateles Lake, the Onondaga County Soil & Water Conservation District (District) and County Agricultural Council for remaining land in the County, and the Onondaga County Water Authority (OCWA) for agricultural programming in the Otisco Lake Watershed has been strong and consistent! The SLWAP and the District have been able to secure in excess of a million dollars of grant funding per year to plan and implement many BMPs on farms. It has been unfortunate that some of the farms have not been able to afford their share of the expense to implement these projects, due to their economy.

The area is hyper-sensitive regarding Harmful Algal Blooms (HAB) events as the City's Skaneateles Lake and OCWA's Otisco Lake are drinking water sources for many municipalities. There are many local efforts underway in attempt to address the HAB issue. Researchers are trying to understand the impact of 20,000 to 30,000 Quagga and Zebra mussels per square meter in neighboring Owasco Lake. The mussels are even down a couple feet into the sediment. Mussels have been found in Skaneateles and Otisco Lakes. There is concern that the mussels are converting Phosphorous in the legacy sediments. The mussels appear to be preferentially feeding on "good" bacteria and algae while not consuming the Cyanobacteria. It is possible that the Cyanobacteria, which cause HAB events, have substantially increased in numbers. With the pulse of sediment that was released during the summer storms of July of 2017 into the lakes. It was the "Perfect Storm" and likely inspired the significant HAB event on Skaneateles Lake. It is important to note that the farmers are reporting that they do not have HAB events in their livestock irrigation ponds. This could likely be because they do not have mussels in the water. More research is required to help all managers of the land and water systems to understand and address this issue! In the meantime, the farms will continue planning and implementing best management practices (BMPs) on the land to help protect water quality.

FARM SURVEY RESULTS

District review notices, removal and addition request forms, and farm surveys were mailed to all land owners with land currently enrolled in the District. Six percent, or 107 of the 1,795 farm surveys mailed to all landowners with land currently enrolled in the district were completed and returned. Fifty-three respondents (50 percent) stated that they owned an agricultural operation for a total of 15,590 acres of which 12,816 acres are productive. 67 respondents (63% percent) stated that they rented a total of 4,143 acres to agricultural operations of which 2,575 acres are in production. Another 18 farm owner respondents noted they also lease lands totaling 5,595 acres from others in District 2.

As shown in the tables below, the most prevalent farm enterprises in Agricultural District 1 include grain cash crops (24), beef/sheep/goats/hogs/alpaca (15 operators), and dairy (12). The greatest sales amounts are, not surprisingly, the large grain and dairy enterprises. Capital investments, similar to gross sales data, were also highest for the large grain and dairy enterprises.

FARM ENTERPRISES *		GROSS SALES *		TOTAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT OVER PAST SEVEN YEARS *	
Grain Cash Crop / Hay	24	Below \$10,000	11	Below \$10,000	5
Beef, Sheep, Goats, Hogs, Alpaca Dairy	15	\$10,000 to \$39,999	21	\$10,000 to \$39,999	7
Dairy	12	\$40,000 to \$99,999	2	\$40,000 to \$99,999	3
Vegetable Cash Crop	7	\$100,000 to \$199,999	11	\$100,000 to \$499,999	2
Agri-Tourism	3	\$200,000 to \$499,999	0	\$500,000 to \$999,999	1
Christmas Trees	3	\$500,000 to \$999,999	3	\$1,000,000 to \$1,999,999	0
Agro-Forestry	2	\$1,000,000 to \$1,999,999	0	\$2,000,000 to \$4,999,999	1
Commercial Horticulture	2	\$2,000,000 to \$4,999,999	2	Over \$5,000,000	1
Maple/Sugar bush	3	Over \$5,000,000	4	* Agricultural operators only.	
Poultry	3	* Agricultural operators only.			
Berries	1				
Commercial Horse / Equine	1				
Flowers	1				
Hops	1				
Orchard	1				
*Farms can have more than one enterprise.					

Respondents were asked to identify agricultural changes over the past eight years. The largest reported agricultural change by 39 respondents was that larger farms are replacing smaller farms. 30 respondents also noted that there are fewer farms overall. Several respondents commented on the dynamic of larger farms and CAFOs dominating the landscape, squeezing out smaller farm owners.

REPORTED AGRICULTURAL CHANGES			
Change	Respondents	Change	Respondents
Stayed the same	7	More houses	25
Fewer farms overall	30	More traffic	22
More farms overall	0	More abandoned farmland	3
Larger farms replacing smaller farms	39		

When asked about the impact that residential development has had on agricultural operations, 29 respondents stated that there has been no impact, 20 respondents stated there has been a negative impact, and 1 respondent noted a positive impact. Several general comments received with the survey focused on the negative effects of lost land to housing developments, neighbor complaints, and less of an understanding or respect for agriculture.

Only 9 respondents noted that they have sold or subdivided land within the last 8 years, citing transfer of ownership to family as the most common reason. Eighteen respondents indicated they plan to sell or transfer ownership of their land or farm within the coming 8 years, with 8 owners citing transfer to the next generation farmers as the reason and 8 citing a need for money from the sale as the reason.

When asked who owners view as the next generation owner of their farm or leased farm property, 93 respondents answered with an intention to keep the land in farming, with the land either with family members as an active farm business, family leasing to other farm operators, or selling to another farm operator. Twenty-one indicated the next owner would likely be a non-farmer, speculator or developer.

Respondents were also asked what types of assistance or support would benefit their land base or farm operation, with the following results:

INTEREST IN TYPES OF SUPPORT / ASSISTANCE			
	Respondents		Respondents
Farm Planning		Implementation	
Conservation BMPs	54	Survey, design, construction of BMPs	32
Soil nutrition/health	47	Cost share assistance for BMPs	41
Crop rotation/cover crops	45	Permit application assistance	13
Rotational grazing	15	Stream bed/bank stabilization	25
Manure management	26		
New crop transition/experimentation	18	Estate Planning	
Change in type of production	1	Next generation of family members	31
		Financial management planning	13
Ag. Conservation Easement Programs		Taxation management	23
Purchase of Development Rights	23	Investment planning	15
Donation of Development Rights	6	Increase size of operation (incur debt)	11

Planning agency staff will share this information with the local Soil & Water Conservation District and others who may be able to do outreach and assist individuals with the above items. This information is also useful in guiding the activities of the Agriculture & Farmland Protection Board.

POLICY CONSISTENCY AND COORDINATION

COUNTY POLICIES

ONONDAGA COUNTY AGRICULTURE AND FARMLAND PROTECTION PLAN

The Onondaga County Legislature approved the *Onondaga County Agriculture and Farmland Protection Plan* in April 1997, which was subsequently endorsed by the NYS Department of Agriculture and

Markets. The Plan contains a series of goals and objectives for the protection of agricultural land in Onondaga County and proposes a number of recommendations and strategies for attaining the goals. Onondaga County has just received funding from New York State Department of Agriculture & Markets to cost share in the development of an updated Onondaga County Farmland Protection Plan.

The Onondaga County AFPB has been very active in implementing one of the plan's elements, the purchase or donation of development rights on prime farmland, funded by the NYS Department of Agriculture and Markets Farmland Protection Implementation Grants (FPIG) program and other federal and local funders. Since 1998, approximately 30 farm easement projects have been or are in the process of being completed, with over 10,000 acres of farmland protected by the state FPIG, federal and local programs in Onondaga County.

ONONDAGA COUNTY AGRICULTURE COUNCIL

In 2012, the Onondaga County Agriculture Council was formed to help ensure that county government is working to promote and preserve the County's strong farming community. The Council works to develop strategies and programs to promote local food regionally and strengthen and enhance connections between the County's urban core to rural, agricultural areas and to review, improve, and develop pro-agriculture/farming friendly policies and regulations that promote urban agriculture and make it easier for local farms to open and stay in business in Onondaga County.

ONONDAGA COUNTY 2010 DEVELOPMENT GUIDE

First adopted in 1991, the "2010 Plan" was updated in 1998 and consists of two documents. The *Onondaga County 2010 Development Guide* provides policies that guide County and municipal officials who are making land use and economic development decisions that ultimately affect the community-at-large. It is based on the *Framework for Growth in Onondaga County*, a report that examines County-wide conditions and trends.

The *2010 Development Guide* emphasizes the following goals and strategies, which are based on the principals of sustainability and Smart Growth: conduct coordinated project reviews; consider natural resources environmental constraints and infrastructure costs; reinvest in existing communities; redevelop obsolete and vacant sites; protect and maintain existing infrastructure; create urban and suburban settlement patterns and densities; preserve transportation assets; expand infrastructure for job creation; protect the rural economy, agriculture, and access to natural resources; and promote sustainable land development practices.

The County recently received a grant from New York State to prepare an updated County Comprehensive Plan, which will include a focus on rural communities and strengthening agriculture, and complement the new Farmland Protection Plan.

ONONDAGA COUNTY SETTLEMENT PLAN

The Onondaga County Settlement Plan was completed in 2001 to demonstrate how communities can implement Smart Growth principles by replacing suburban-based zoning codes with Traditional Neighborhood Development (TND) form-based codes that preserves open space, creates natural resource corridors, and generates high quality places and walkable neighborhoods that have a continuous street network with small blocks and a well designed public realm (streets, buildings, and parks), and provides a diversity of building types, uses, density, and housing within a 10-minute pedestrian shed (walkable area).

LOCAL POLICIES

The *Onondaga County Agriculture and Farmland Protection Plan* and the *Onondaga County 2010 Plan* all encourage municipalities to implement and update plans and adopt codes that incorporate measures for protecting agricultural land. Onondaga County will be working directly with all three towns of Marcellus, Skaneateles and Spafford in the next two years, through a county-funded planning initiative, to complete hamlet and comprehensive planning work which will complement county land use and agricultural protection planning.

Most towns in Onondaga County have some form of comprehensive plan, which typically recognize the value of agricultural lands and the desire to protect them. However, there are few methods that ultimately implement this goal. Many towns typically use large lot zoning, generally two or more acres, to reduce density and thereby protect open areas. However, these requirements create the unintentional consequences of large lots strung along rural roads and large-lot subdivisions, excessive consumption of farmland and open space, more farmer/neighbor conflicts, and more traffic on farm roads.

Towns are also starting to recognize and implement clustering as permitted in NYS Town Law, a potentially beneficial technique for protecting community character, open space, scenic resources, and environmental features, but not necessarily considered effective at protecting farmland.

Implementing settlement patterns other than the dominant suburban pattern, like traditional neighborhoods demonstrated in the *Onondaga County Settlement Plan*, and adopting new density average/fixed ratio zoning techniques, like those recommended by the American Farmland Trust, are ultimately needed to protect agricultural lands. There is also a need to adopt integrated County and local farmland protection plans that explore and implement a full-range of agricultural protection tools that are summarized and promoted by the American Farmland Trust. The County Planning Agency received NYS Department of Agriculture & Markets funding in late 2019 to prepare an updated Onondaga County Farmland Protection Plan.

ACHIEVEMENT OF DISTRICT OBJECTIVES

Production agriculture in District 2 remains viable and will continue to do so in the foreseeable future. Soils, climate, topography, transportation, relatively nearby agri-service and suppliers, and product markets provide the elements necessary for a successful agricultural economy. Farms are making significant investments into their operations and are increasing in size, and most farmers envision the land staying in agricultural production within the foreseeable future. Currently requested additions to Agricultural District 2 total 130 acres.

Ongoing issues revolve around both the larger agricultural economy, for example, increasing farm sizes and more stringent regulatory requirements, as well as local conditions including increasing rural residential development and neighbor conflicts, increased local government service demands and higher taxes, recent local climatic conditions, and, in particular, the ongoing loss of affordable land, owned and rented, that is crucial to agricultural production. NYS Right to Farm law protections have proven contentious some towns in Onondaga County, revolving around use and storage of liquid manure.

REQUESTS & RECOMMENDATIONS

The AFPB mailed a notice of the eight-year review of Agricultural District 2 and a removal and addition request form to landowners with property currently enrolled in District 2 and municipalities within the District. The tables below reflect the requests for additions and removals that were submitted by landowners.

ADDITION REQUESTS

The following property owners requested that their land be added to the district, totaling 130 acres. All lands involved have been reviewed to verify the presence and characteristics of land highly suitable for a farm operation, viability as a commercial enterprise, location relative to existing agricultural districts, nearby development and natural features.

SUMMARY OF REQUESTED ADDITIONS				
TOWN	OWNER	TAX ID	AG ACTIVITY	ACRES*
MARCELLUS	SANDY P / JUDITH G BATTAGLIA	013.-02-44.0	HARVESTED WOODLAND	48.01
MARCELLUS Total				48.01
SKANEATELES	TIMOTHY A POSECZNICK	020.-02-02.0	CORN, MAPLE, TIMBER	9.73
SKANEATELES	TIMOTHY A POSECZNICK	020.-02-04.1	CORN, MAPLE, TIMBER	34.71
SKANEATELES	TIMOTHY A POSECZNICK	020.-02-30.0	CORN, MAPLE, TIMBER	16.57
SKANEATELES	TIMOTHY A POSECZNICK	020.-02-39.0	CORN, MAPLE, TIMBER	3.30
SKANEATELES	NORMAN CAY HOLDINGS LLC	047.-01-36.0	GREENHOUSES ; NURSERY	6.88
SKANEATELES	KIMBALL T KRAUS	051.-02-04.1	BARN; FIELD; ALFALFA	11.07
SKANEATELES Total				82.26
GRAND TOTAL				130.27

*Calculated using a Geographic Information System, not Real Property Services (RPS) data.

REMOVAL REQUESTS

The following property owners requested that their land be removed from the District.

SUMMARY OF REQUESTED REMOVALS			
TOWN	OWNER	TAX ID	ACRES*
MARCELLUS	BUETTGENS IRREVOCABLE TRUST A	025.-01-27.1	0.54
MARCELLUS	ROBERT G & SANDRA E DUDDEN	017.-08-15.0	0.84
MARCELLUS	CATHLEEN M & GEORGE A MASON	010.-01-10.0	0.91
MARCELLUS	EILEEN SEARLE & JOHNNY O DEZENZIO	016.-03-14.2	0.73
MARCELLUS	NATALIYA OROSZ	023.-01-22.2	7.27
MARCELLUS Total			10.29
SKANEATELES	STONECIPHER IRREVOCABLE TRUST	035.-03-7.1	1.35
SKANEATELES	DAVID S & DEBORAH J CUTTEN	061.-01-02.1	2.00
SKANEATELES	MARILYN P SKIFF & DAVID J SODERBERG	051.-01-18.5	2.06
SKANEATELES	BRIDGETT M & DWIGHT W WINKLEMAN	051.-01-24.0	4.47
SKANEATELES	JOHN G LAUZON & LUCILLE M LANDRY	019.-02-11.1	5.01
SKANEATELES Total			14.89
SPAFFORD	DONALD W JR & MARY PAT OSBOURNE	014.-02-10.0	0.51
SPAFFORD	JOEL F DELMONICO	001.-01-05.0	4.77
SPAFFORD	HOWARD F & JUDY W HALL	032.-02-01.0	3.42
SPAFFORD Total			8.70
GRAND TOTAL			33.88

*Calculated using a Geographic Information System, not Real Property Services (RPS) data.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The farm sector in Onondaga County is robust and stable and the agricultural economy in Agricultural District 2 continues to be strong and diverse. As a result, the AFPB recommends continuing Agricultural District 2 with the modifications requested by landowners.

FINAL ACREAGE

District 2 was last recertified in 2012 and encompassed 47,230 acres. Through subsequent annual addition processes, 401.55 acres were added to the District. An additional adjustment of 5.45 acres was made to reflect modifications resulting from parcel splits or combinations, or redrafting of the parcel data used in the GIS. As a result, the district acreage prior to the 2020 review was adjusted to 47,637 acres.

The AFPB recommends that 130.27 acres be added and 33.88 acres be removed per landowner requests, for a final Agricultural District 2 total of 47,733 acres, a net increase of 96 acres in the district.

RECOMMENDED AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT 2 FINAL ACREAGE	
	GIS ACRES
ACREAGE AFTER 2012 RENEWAL	47,230
ANNUAL ADDITIONS 2013-2019	401.55
CHANGES RESULTING FROM PARCEL MODIFICATIONS*	5.45
ACREAGE PRIOR TO 2020 RENEWAL	47,637
2020 RENEWAL ADDITIONS	130.27
2020 RENEWAL REMOVALS	-33.88
ACREAGE AFTER 2020 RENEWAL	47,733
NET ACREAGE CHANGE RESULTING FROM 2020 RENEWAL	96
* An additional adjustment of 5.45 acres was made to reflect modifications since 2012 resulting from parcel splits or combinations, or redrafting of the parcel data used in the GIS.	

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APPENDICES

Resolution - Notice of Review

Notice - Notice of Review

Map - Review

Letter - Municipal

Letter - Property Owner

Form - Property Owner Removal and Addition Request (Sample)

Form - Blank Removal and Addition Request

Form - Farm Survey

Resolution - Public Hearing

Notice - Public Hearing

Letter - Property Owner Public Hearing

Minutes - Public Hearing

Resolution - Approval

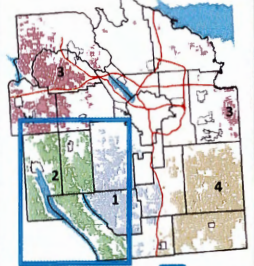
SEQR - Environmental Assessment Form

List - District Parcel Final

Map - Final



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ONONDAGA COUNTY AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT 2

Towns of Marcellus, Skaneateles, and Spafford

 Agricultural District 2

 Proposed Additions

 Proposed Removals

0 0.5 1 2 3 4 Miles



032-02-01.0

Short Environmental Assessment Form

Part 1 - Project Information

Instructions for Completing

Part 1 – Project Information. The applicant or project sponsor is responsible for the completion of Part 1. Responses become part of the application for approval or funding, are subject to public review, and may be subject to further verification. Complete Part 1 based on information currently available. If additional research or investigation would be needed to fully respond to any item, please answer as thoroughly as possible based on current information.

Complete all items in Part 1. You may also provide any additional information which you believe will be needed by or useful to the lead agency; attach additional pages as necessary to supplement any item.

Part 1 – Project and Sponsor Information			
Name of Action or Project: Renewal of Agricultural District 2 in Onondaga County			
Project Location (describe, and attach a location map): Towns of Marcellus, Skaneateles and Spafford in Onondaga County			
Brief Description of Proposed Action: Renewal with Modification (addition and deletion of parcels) of Agricultural District 2 in the Towns of Marcellus, Skaneateles, and Spafford in Onondaga County. It is recommended that 130.27 acres be added and 33.88 acres be removed per landowner requests, for a final Agricultural District 2 total of 47,733 acres, a net increase of 96 acres in the district. A full listing of added and deleted parcels may be found in the Onondaga County Agriculture & Farmland Protection Boards 2020 Eight Year Review of Agricultural District 2 report, or related County Legislature resolution.			
Name of Applicant or Sponsor: Onondaga County Legislature		Telephone: (315)435-2070 E-Mail: debblematuro@ongov.net	
Address: 401 Montgomery Street, Court House Room 407			
City/PO: Syracuse		State: NY	Zip Code: 13202
1. Does the proposed action only involve the legislative adoption of a plan, local law, ordinance, administrative rule, or regulation? If Yes, attach a narrative description of the intent of the proposed action and the environmental resources that may be affected in the municipality and proceed to Part 2. If no, continue to question 2.		NO <input type="checkbox"/>	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
2. Does the proposed action require a permit, approval or funding from any other government Agency? If Yes, list agency(s) name and permit or approval:		NO <input type="checkbox"/>	YES <input type="checkbox"/>
3. a. Total acreage of the site of the proposed action? _____ acres b. Total acreage to be physically disturbed? _____ acres c. Total acreage (project site and any contiguous properties) owned or controlled by the applicant or project sponsor? _____ acres			
4. Check all land uses that occur on, are adjoining or near the proposed action: <input type="checkbox"/> Urban <input type="checkbox"/> Rural (non-agriculture) <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Residential (suburban) <input type="checkbox"/> Forest <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture <input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic <input type="checkbox"/> Other(Specify): <input type="checkbox"/> Parkland			

5. Is the proposed action,	NO	YES	N/A
a. A permitted use under the zoning regulations?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Consistent with the adopted comprehensive plan?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Is the proposed action consistent with the predominant character of the existing built or natural landscape?	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	
7. Is the site of the proposed action located in, or does it adjoin, a state listed Critical Environmental Area? If Yes, identify: _____	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	
8. a. Will the proposed action result in a substantial increase in traffic above present levels?	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	
b. Are public transportation services available at or near the site of the proposed action?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
c. Are any pedestrian accommodations or bicycle routes available on or near the site of the proposed action?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
9. Does the proposed action meet or exceed the state energy code requirements? If the proposed action will exceed requirements, describe design features and technologies: _____ _____	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	
10. Will the proposed action connect to an existing public/private water supply? If No, describe method for providing potable water: _____ _____	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	
11. Will the proposed action connect to existing wastewater utilities? If No, describe method for providing wastewater treatment: _____ _____	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	
12. a. Does the project site contain, or is it substantially contiguous to, a building, archaeological site, or district which is listed on the National or State Register of Historic Places, or that has been determined by the Commissioner of the NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation to be eligible for listing on the State Register of Historic Places?	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	
b. Is the project site, or any portion of it, located in or adjacent to an area designated as sensitive for archaeological sites on the NY State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) archaeological site inventory?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
13. a. Does any portion of the site of the proposed action, or lands adjoining the proposed action, contain wetlands or other waterbodies regulated by a federal, state or local agency?	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	
b. Would the proposed action physically alter, or encroach into, any existing wetland or waterbody?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
If Yes, identify the wetland or waterbody and extent of alterations in square feet or acres: _____ _____ _____			

14. Identify the typical habitat types that occur on, or are likely to be found on the project site. Check all that apply: <input type="checkbox"/> Shoreline <input type="checkbox"/> Forest <input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural/grasslands <input type="checkbox"/> Early mid-successional <input type="checkbox"/> Wetland <input type="checkbox"/> Urban <input type="checkbox"/> Suburban		
15. Does the site of the proposed action contain any species of animal, or associated habitats, listed by the State or Federal government as threatened or endangered?	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	YES <input type="checkbox"/>
16. Is the project site located in the 100-year flood plan?	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	YES <input type="checkbox"/>
17. Will the proposed action create storm water discharge, either from point or non-point sources? If Yes,	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	YES <input type="checkbox"/>
a. Will storm water discharges flow to adjacent properties?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Will storm water discharges be directed to established conveyance systems (runoff and storm drains)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If Yes, briefly describe: _____ _____		
18. Does the proposed action include construction or other activities that would result in the impoundment of water or other liquids (e.g., retention pond, waste lagoon, dam)? If Yes, explain the purpose and size of the impoundment: _____ _____	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	YES <input type="checkbox"/>
19. Has the site of the proposed action or an adjoining property been the location of an active or closed solid waste management facility? If Yes, describe: _____ _____	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	YES <input type="checkbox"/>
20. Has the site of the proposed action or an adjoining property been the subject of remediation (ongoing or completed) for hazardous waste? If Yes, describe: _____ _____	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	YES <input type="checkbox"/>
I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION PROVIDED ABOVE IS TRUE AND ACCURATE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE Applicant/sponsor/name: <u>Onondaga County Legislature</u> Date: <u>June 2, 2020</u> Signature: <u><i>Randy W. Napp</i></u> Title: <u>Chairman</u>		

Project:

Date:

Short Environmental Assessment Form

Part 2 - Impact Assessment

Part 2 is to be completed by the Lead Agency.

Answer all of the following questions in Part 2 using the information contained in Part 1 and other materials submitted by the project sponsor or otherwise available to the reviewer. When answering the questions the reviewer should be guided by the concept "Have my responses been reasonable considering the scale and context of the proposed action?"

	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
1. Will the proposed action create a material conflict with an adopted land use plan or zoning regulations?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Will the proposed action result in a change in the use or intensity of use of land?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Will the proposed action impair the character or quality of the existing community?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Will the proposed action have an impact on the environmental characteristics that caused the establishment of a Critical Environmental Area (CEA)?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Will the proposed action result in an adverse change in the existing level of traffic or affect existing infrastructure for mass transit, biking or walkway?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Will the proposed action cause an increase in the use of energy and it fails to incorporate reasonably available energy conservation or renewable energy opportunities?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Will the proposed action impact existing:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
a. public / private water supplies?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. public / private wastewater treatment utilities?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Will the proposed action impair the character or quality of important historic, archaeological, architectural or aesthetic resources?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Will the proposed action result in an adverse change to natural resources (e.g., wetlands, waterbodies, groundwater, air quality, flora and fauna)?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. Will the proposed action result in an increase in the potential for erosion, flooding or drainage problems?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. Will the proposed action create a hazard to environmental resources or human health?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Agency Use Only [If applicable]

Project:

Date:

Short Environmental Assessment Form Part 3 Determination of Significance

For every question in Part 2 that was answered "moderate to large impact may occur", or if there is a need to explain why a particular element of the proposed action may or will not result in a significant adverse environmental impact, please complete Part 3. Part 3 should, in sufficient detail, identify the impact, including any measures or design elements that have been included by the project sponsor to avoid or reduce impacts. Part 3 should also explain how the lead agency determined that the impact may or will not be significant. Each potential impact should be assessed considering its setting, probability of occurring, duration, irreversibility, geographic scope and magnitude. Also consider the potential for short-term, long-term and cumulative impacts.

☐ Check this box if you have determined, based on the information and analysis above, and any supporting documentation, that the proposed action may result in one or more potentially large or significant adverse impacts and an environmental impact statement is required.

☐ Check this box if you have determined, based on the information and analysis above, and any supporting documentation, that the proposed action will not result in any significant adverse environmental impacts.

Onondaga County Legislature

Name of Lead Agency

David M Knapp

Date

Chairman

Print or Type Name of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency

Title of Responsible Officer

Signature of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency

Signature of Preparer (if different from Responsible Officer)

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7				JUNE 2, 2020 SESSION
LEGISLATOR	AYES:	NOES:	ABSENT:	
1. MAY	✓			
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4. TASSONE	✓			
5. CODY	✓			
12. KNAPP	✓			
TOTAL	17	0		

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June 2, 2020

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Motion Made By Mr. Burtis

RESOLUTION NO. _____

ACCEPTANCE OF FUNDS FROM EMPIRE STATE DEVELOPMENT FOR THE PREPARATION
OF AN UPDATE OF THE ONONDAGA COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, AND
AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO ENTER INTO CONTRACTS TO IMPLEMENT
THIS RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Onondaga County is over 800 square miles in size and home to approximately 460,000 residents, 200,000 housing units, and over 200,000 jobs; and

WHEREAS, the Onondaga County Planning Board determination that countywide planning for land use, infrastructure and the environment is important to the regional economy and quality of life and landscape in Onondaga County; and

WHEREAS, Onondaga County has applied for and received funding from NYS Empire State Development to update the countywide comprehensive plan, the Onondaga County 2010 Development Guide and Framework For Growth, last adopted in 1998; and

WHEREAS, the project budget includes state grant funding of \$100,000 through Empire State Development, \$10,000 in cash matching funds from Onondaga County, and \$90,000 of in-kind staff services by the Syracuse-Onondaga County Planning Agency and participating county staff; and

WHEREAS, the Plan update will guide economic growth and investment in Onondaga County, by identifying the means to strengthen municipal centers and corridors through creative and modern placemaking, protect and conserve rural areas and greenspaces, enhance agricultural production, and plan for an improved quality of life in each village, town and the city; and

WHEREAS, an open stakeholder and public involvement process is essential to development of an effective plan and, as such, participation by municipalities and residents in Onondaga County will be performed as a critical component of this countywide plan; and

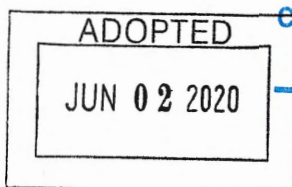
WHEREAS, acceptance of funds and entering into contracts is a Type II action (6CRR-NY 617.5(c)(26)) under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA), and therefore no SEQRA review is required; the creation of a comprehensive plan is a Type I action and preparation of a required environmental review will be conducted as part of the planning project for potential plan adoption; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Onondaga County Legislature hereby accepts the ESD grant funds in an amount not to exceed \$100,000 and hereby authorizes the County Executive to sign agreements and make budget adjustments to implement the intent of this resolution including entering into an agreement with Empire State Development for this purpose.

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2nd DAY OF June, 2020.

Deborah A. Maturo

CLERK, COUNTY LEGISLATURE
ONONDAGA COUNTY, NEW YORK

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JUNE 2, 2020
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June 2, 2020

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Motion Made By Mr. Burtis

RESOLUTION NO. _____

STANDARD WORK DAY AND REPORTING RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the County of Onondaga hereby establishes the following as standard work days for elected and appointed officials and will report the following days worked to the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System based on the record of activities maintained and submitted by these officials to the Clerk of this Legislature:

L Name	F Name	MI	Title	*Term Begins/Ends	Standard Work Day (hrs/day)	Days/Month (based on Record of Activities)	Tier 1	No record of activities completed
APPOINTED								
Alford	Lisa	D	Commissioner, Adult & Long Term Care Svcs.	Jan. 1, 2020 – Dec. 31, 2023	7	23.95		
French	Katherine	M	Deputy Clerk	Jan. 1, 2020 – Dec. 31, 2021	7	23.38		
Mento	Frank	M	Commissioner, Water Environ. Prot.	Jan. 1, 2020 – Dec. 31, 2023	7	28.05		

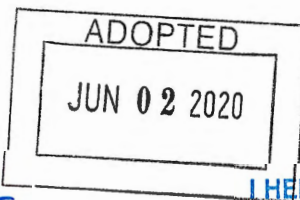
RESOLVED, that, pursuant to the requirements of 2 NYCRR 315.4, the Clerk of this Legislature is hereby directed to cause a copy of this resolution to be publicly posted for at least 30 days after adoption and, thereafter, to transmit this resolution and a supporting affidavit of posting to be filed with the New York State Office of the Comptroller within 15 days after the 30 day public posting period ends.

*Reflects the term of the Elected or Appointed Official making the appointment

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June 2, 2020

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Motion Made By Mr. Burtis

RESOLUTION NO. _____

2020 TRANSFER RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, that the following transfer be made:

FROM:

Admin Unit 3700000000
Board of Elections Department
Speed Type #190009
Acct. 693000
Supplies and Materials

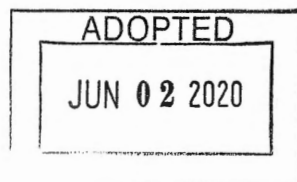
TO:

Admin Unit 3700000000
Board of Elections Department
Speed Type #190009
Acct. 694080
Professional Services

AMOUNT:

\$10,300

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JUNE 2, 2020 SESSION

LOCAL LAWS

- A. A LOCAL LAW AMENDING ARTICLE VI OF THE ONONDAGA COUNTY CHARTER AND FURTHER AMENDING ARTICLE VI OF THE ONONDAGA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE WITH RESPECT TO THE 2021 COUNTY BUDGET CYCLE (Sponsored by Mr. Knapp)**
- B. A LOCAL LAW AMENDING SECTION 207 OF THE ONONDAGA COUNTY CHARTER TO REVISE THE ONONDAGA COUNTY REAPPORTIONMENT COMMISSION TO ENSURE A NON-PARTISAN, FAIR AND OBJECTIVE PROCESS BY WHICH THE ONONDAGA COUNTY LEGISLATURE DISTRICTS ARE REAPPORTIONED (Sponsored by Mr. Ryan)**

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LOCAL LAW NO. ____ - 2020

A LOCAL LAW AMENDING ARTICLE VI OF THE ONONDAGA COUNTY CHARTER AND
FURTHER AMENDING ARTICLE VI OF THE ONONDAGA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE
WITH RESPECT TO THE 2021 COUNTY BUDGET CYCLE

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

Section 1. The annual county budget process, including presentation, review, consideration, adoption and implementation, is governed by the procedures found within the Onondaga County Charter (Local Law No. 1 - 1961, as previously amended, hereinafter referred to as "Charter") and the Onondaga County Administrative Code (being Local Law No. 1 - 1975, as previously amended, hereinafter referred to as "Administrative Code"). Solely with respect to the 2021 annual county budget, it is desired to change certain prescribed dates within such annual budget cycle as provided herein.

a. The Charter is hereby amended regarding the 2021 annual county budget, as follows:

i. With respect to the submission of the tentative budget to the Legislature, Section 603 is amended in the first sentence of the first paragraph to strike the words "fifteenth day of September" and to substitute "fourth day of November" therefor.

ii. With respect to the report filed by the Ways and Means Committee, Section 603 is further amended in the first sentence of the final paragraph to strike the words "the first day of October" and to substitute "the twentieth day of November" therefor.

iii. With respect to the publication of the public hearing notice, Section 604 is amended in the first sentence to strike the words "the first day of October" and to substitute "the twenty-sixth day of November" therefor.

iv. With respect to the date by which the public hearing must be held, Section 604 is further amended in the first sentence to strike the words "not later than the tenth day of October" and to substitute "not later than the first day of December."

v. With respect to the adoption of the budget by the Legislature with additions or increases, Section 605(b) is amended to strike the words "the fifteenth day of October" and to substitute "the third day of December."

vi. With respect to the County Executive's objections to such additions or increases, Section 605(c) is amended to strike the words "the twentieth day of October" and to substitute "five days after the adoption of the budget with additions or increases, but in any event not later than the eighth day of December" therefor, and Section 605(d) is amended to strike the words "on or before the twentieth day of October" and to substitute "on the date provided in Section 605(c) for the return of such budget by the County Executive" therefor.

vii. With respect to the Legislature's special meeting to reconsider such objections, Section 605(c) is amended to strike the words "the twenty-fifth day of October" and to substitute "five days after the return of the budget with additions or increases, but in any event not later than the thirteenth day of December" therefor.

viii. With respect to the final date in the budget adoption process, Section 605(e) is amended to strike the words "the first Monday of November" and to substitute "the eighteenth day of December" therefor.

b. The Administrative Code is hereby amended regarding the 2021 annual county budget, as follows:

- i. With respect to the submission of Capital Project Requests, Section 6.02(a) is amended to strike the words “or before the first day of June of each year, or on such earlier date” and to substitute “on or before the first of July” therefor.
- ii. With respect to the submission of the estimates and appropriation requests to the Chief Fiscal Officer, Section 6.03B is amended to strike the words “or before this first day of August of each year, or on such earlier date” and to substitute “on or before the first day of September” therefor.
- iii. With respect to the submission of the Executive’s budget to the Legislature, Section 6.05(b) is amended to strike the words “the fifteenth day of September” and to substitute “the fourth day of November” therefor.
- iv. With respect to the report filed by the Ways and Means Committee, Section 6.07 is amended to strike the word “the first day of October” and to substitute “the twentieth day of November” therefor.
- v. With respect to the public hearing, Section 6.08 is stricken in its entirety and the following language is to be substituted therefor “The public hearing shall be noticed and held in the manner prescribed by Section 604 of the Charter.”

Section 2. Additional Amendments; Construction.

Any previously enacted resolutions or local laws relating to the annual budget cycle and financial procedures in Onondaga County are hereby amended to be consistent with this local law. Except as specifically amended herein, the Onondaga County Charter and Administrative Code remain in full force and effect.

This local law is to be construed in such a way so as not to diminish or curtail any powers held by any elected official within County government.

Section 3. Severability.

In the event that any provision contained herein should be found by a judge to be improper, illegal, and/or void, it is the intent of this Legislature to sever such provisions from this local law and to revive and restore the relevant provisions of the Charter and Administrative Code to the status quo ante.

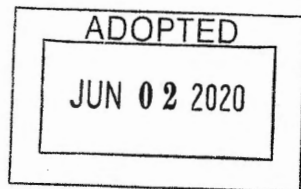
Section 4. Applicability to 2021 Annual County Budget.

The amendments herein to the prescribed dates in the Charter and Administrative Code shall be effective regarding only the 2021 annual county budget. Upon adoption of the 2021 budget, the amendments herein shall expire automatically, and the Charter and Administrative Code shall be restored to the prescribed dates in effect immediately prior to the adoption of this local law, without need for further legislative action, and shall read as though the prescribed dates were not amended.

Section 5. Effective Date.

This local law shall take effect upon filing in accordance with the Municipal Home Rule Law.

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2nd DAY OF June, 2020

Deborah A. Maturo
CLERK, COUNTY LEGISLATURE
ONONDAGA COUNTY, NEW YORK

LOCAL LAW A

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LEGISLATOR	AYES:	NOES:	ABSENT:	
1. MAY	✓			
17. ERVIN	✓			
6. ABBOTT-KENAN	✓			
7. KUHN	✓			
8. RYAN	✓			
9. CHASE	✓			
10. HOLMQUIST	✓			
11. McBRIDE	✓			
13. BUSH	✓			
14. JORDAN	✓			
15. KINNE	✓			
16. WILLIAMS	✓			
2. ROWLEY	✓			
3. BURTIS	✓			
4. TASSONE	✓			
5. CODY	✓			
12. KNAPP	✓			
TOTAL	17	0		

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LOCAL LAW NO. ____ - 2020

A LOCAL LAW AMENDING SECTION 207 OF THE ONONDAGA COUNTY CHARTER AND SECTION 2.17 OF THE ONONDAGA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE TO REVISE THE ONONDAGA COUNTY REAPPORTIONMENT COMMISSION TO ENSURE A NON-PARTISAN, FAIR AND OBJECTIVE PROCESS BY WHICH THE ONONDAGA COUNTY LEGISLATURE DISTRICTS ARE REAPPORTIONED

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

Section 1. The purpose of this law is to provide an objective and fair reapportionment process by establishing a non-partisan Reapportionment Commission.

Section 2. Section 207 of the Onondaga County Charter hereby is amended to replace and add the following language:

Section 1. Definitions. For purposes of this chapter, the following terms shall have the meanings set forth in this section:

Commission means the independent citizens Redistricting Commission.

Commission staff shall be staff hired by the Commission and shall not include any staff of the Onondaga County Legislature.

Controlling person means an officer, director, manager, principal or shareholder or member owning at least 10% ownership of a legal entity.

Day means a calendar day, except that if the final day of a period within which an act is to be performed is a Saturday, Sunday, or holiday in which the County of Onondaga's offices are closed, the period is extended to the next day that is not a Saturday, Sunday, or holiday in which the County of Onondaga's offices are closed in accordance with applicable New York State Law.

Spouse means one's licensed marriage spouse, common law spouse, or recognized domestic partner.

Substantial Neglect of Duty means that an individual has disregarded a manifest duty, prescribed by this section, intentionally, knowingly, or negligently. Missing half or more of the meetings in a three month period constitutes a substantial neglect of duty.

Panel means the Applicant Review Panel of consisting of representatives of the County Comptroller, County Clerk, and County Executive.

Section 2. Procedure for Establishment of an Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission

Not later than September 1 of a year ending in 2, the Onondaga County Legislature shall authorize by resolution and/or local law an independent citizens redistricting commission made up of qualified electors who reside within the County to reconsider the boundaries of County Legislature Districts. In 2022 and each year following the year in which the

national census is taken under the direction of Congress at the beginning of each decade, the Commission shall adjust the boundary lines of the seventeen (17) single-member districts in conformance with the standards and process set forth in this article. The Commission shall be fully established no later than September 1 in each year ending in the number (2). The Commission shall not draw district lines at any other time, except if the districts must be redrawn because of a judicial decision invalidating the then existing district plan, in whole or in part, a change in number of single-member districts made to the County Charter, or the date of the county legislature elections are moved. If the date of the County Legislature Elections are moved, then the dates in this article shall be adjusted to ensure the commission has sufficient time to draw the lines prior to the election date.

Section 3. Membership

(1) Number of Members

The Commission shall consist of seventeen (17) members.

(2) Requirements for Membership

Each Commission Member shall be a voter who (1) has been continuously registered in the County of Onondaga for five or more years immediately preceding the date of his or her appointment and (2) shall have voted in at least three of the last five general elections immediately preceding his or her application for membership.

(3) Term

The term of office of each member of the Commission expires upon the appointment of the first member of the succeeding Commission in the year following the year in which the national census is taken.

(4) Compensation

Members of the Commission shall not be compensated for their service. However, members of the panel and the Commission are eligible for reimbursement of reasonable and necessary personal expenses incurred in connection with their duties as a member of the Commission as outlined in this Chapter. Funding for the Commission is subject to the County's Annual Budget Process and the Onondaga County Legislature shall be responsible for including sufficient funds in the Budget to meet the operational cost of the Commission and the cost of any outreach program to solicit broad participation in the redistricting process. The Onondaga County Legislature shall approve the appropriation of the funds at the request of the Commission.

(5) Quorum

Nine (9) members of the Commission shall constitute a quorum. Eleven (11) or more affirmative votes shall be required for any official action, including approval of a final plan establishing the boundaries of any Onondaga County Legislature District.

(6) Commission Vacancy, Removal, Resignation or Absence

(a) In the event of substantial neglect of duty, gross misconduct in office, or inability to discharge the duties of office, a member of the commission, having been served written notice and provided with an opportunity for a response, may be removed by a vote of 7 of the Commissioners.

(b) Any vacancy, whether created by removal, resignation, or absence, in the 17 commission positions shall be filled by the Commission within 15 days after the vacancy occurs, from the remaining pool of applicants and in compliance with the applicant requirements of this section. Eleven members must agree to any appointment.

(7) Prohibitions as a result of Membership

A commission member shall be ineligible, for a period of five (5) years beginning from the date of appointment, to hold elective public office for the County of Onondaga. A member of the commission shall be ineligible, for a period of three (3) years beginning from the date of appointment, to hold appointive public office for the County of Onondaga, to serve as paid staff for or as a paid consultant to the County of Onondaga, the Onondaga County Legislature or any member of the Onondaga County Legislature, or to receive a non-competitively bid contract with the County of Onondaga. This three year ban on having a paid consultancy or entering noncompetitively bid contracts applies to the member individually and all entities for which the member is a controlling person.

(8) Activity of the Commission

The Commission shall be inactive except when necessary to comply with its duties under this Chapter.

(9) Legal Standing

The commission has the sole legal standing to defend any action regarding a certified final map, and shall inform the Onondaga County Legislature if it determines that funds or other resources provided for the operation of the commission are not adequate. The Onondaga County Legislature shall provide adequate funding to defend any action regarding a certified map. The County Law Department shall be the assigned legal counsel for the commission and shall represent the commission in defense of a certified final map, unless the County Attorney determines there is a conflict of interest, or, the commission by 2/3 vote decides to retain outside counsel. In such determination appropriate counsel will be provided according to existing county practice.

(10) Commission Roles

The Commission shall select one of its members to serve as the Chair of the Commission and one to serve as the Vice Chair of the Commission.

The Chair and Vice Chair shall both remain voting members of the Commission.

(11) Staff and Legal Counsel

The Commission shall hire staff, legal counsel, and consultants as needed to support the Commission; provided, however, that compensation of such persons shall be limited to the period in which the Commission is active. The Commission shall establish clear criteria for the hiring and removal of these individuals, communication protocols, and a code of conduct. The Commission shall apply the conflicts of interest listed in Section 3(7) to the hiring of staff, legal counsel, and consultants. The commission shall require that at least one of the legal counsel hired by the commission has demonstrated extensive experience and expertise in implementation and enforcement of the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965 (42 U.S.C. Sec. 1971 and following). The commission shall make hiring, removal, or contracting decisions on staff, legal counsel, and consultants by nine or more affirmative votes.

(12) Members Regular Employment shall not be terminated due to their membership on the Commission

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no employer shall discharge, threaten to discharge, intimidate, coerce, or retaliate against any employee by reason of such employee's membership on the Commission or attendance or scheduled attendance at any meeting of the Commission.

Section 4. Commission Selection Process

The Commission Selection Process is designed to produce a Commission that is independent from influence by the Onondaga County Legislature and is reasonably representative of the diversity of the County's population. The process shall be conducted as follows:

- (1) No later than February 1 in each year ending in the number one, the County of Onondaga Comptroller shall initiate and widely publicize an application process, open to all registered County of Onondaga voters who meet the requirements of Section 3 above, in a manner that promotes a large, diverse (by race, ethnicity, gender, and geography) and qualified Commissioner applicant pool. The Onondaga County Comptroller shall take all reasonable and necessary steps to ensure that the pool has the requisite numbers, diversity, and qualifications. This process shall remain open until September 30 in each year ending in the number one.
- (2) The County of Onondaga Comptroller shall remove from the membership pool any person with conflicts of interest including:
 - (a) Within the five years immediately preceding the date of application, either the applicant or their spouse, shall have done any of the following: (i) been appointed to, elected to, or have been a candidate for state, county or city office; (ii) served as an

officer, employee, or paid consultant of a political party or of the campaign committee of a candidate for elective state, county or city office; (iii) been a registered state or local lobbyist; (iv) contributed or bundled \$1,000 or more in aggregate to candidates for County of Onondaga elective office in the last County election.

- (b) A person who has been, within the three years immediately preceding the date of application: a paid employee of the County of Onondaga; person performing paid services under a professional or political contract to the County of Onondaga, to the Onondaga County Legislature, or to any member of the Onondaga County Legislature; any controlling person of any such consultant; or a spouse of any of the foregoing.
- (3) No later than August 1 in each year ending in the number one, the County of Onondaga Comptroller shall have reviewed and removed individuals with conflicts of interest as defined in Section 3, or fail to meet the qualification prescribed in Section 3, from among the commission applicants, and then shall publicize the names in the applicant pool and provide copies of their applications to the Applicant Review Panel.
- (4) No later than October 15th in each year ending in the number one, the Applicant Review Panel shall select a pool of 100 applicants from among the qualified applicants. These persons shall be the most qualified applicants on the basis of relevant analytical skills, ability to be impartial, residency in various parts of the Onondaga County, and appreciation for the County of Onondaga's diverse demographics and geography. The Applicant Review Panel shall not communicate directly or indirectly with any elected member of the Onondaga County Legislature or their representatives, about any matter related to the nomination process or any applicant prior to the presentation by the panel of the pool of recommended applicants to the Onondaga County Legislature.
- (5) No later than October 16 in each year ending in the number one thereafter, the Applicant Review Panel shall submit its pool of 100 recommended applicants to the Onondaga County Legislature. Each member of the Onondaga County Legislature within five days in writing may strike up to one applicant from the pool of applicants. No reason need be given for a strike. Any applicant struck by any member of the Onondaga County Legislature or the Chairman must be removed from the pool of applicants. No later than October 22 in each year ending in one, the Applicant Review Panel shall submit the pool of remaining applicants to the County of Onondaga Comptroller.
- (6) No later than November 1 in each year ending in the number one, the Applicant Review Panel shall randomly draw at a public meeting ten (10) names from the remaining pool of applicants. These ten (10) individuals shall serve on the Citizens Redistricting Commission.
- (7) No later than December 1 in each year ending in the number one, the ten (10) commissioners shall review the remaining names in the pool of applicants and, from the remaining applicants in that pool, shall appoint

seven (7) applicants to the commission. These seven (7) appointees must be approved by at least seven (7) affirmative votes among the ten (10) commissioners. These seven (7) appointees shall be chosen to ensure that the commission reflects the diversity of the County of Onondaga, including, but not limited to, racial, ethnic, and gender diversity. Additionally, the ten (10) commissioners shall make every effort to the extent possible that the seven (7) appointees are representative of good governance groups, academic scholars, and other civic groups which have demonstrated a commitment to voters' rights and identifying the best practices for reapportionment.

Section 5. Role of the Commission

The Commission shall establish the boundaries of the Onondaga County Legislature districts for the County of Onondaga in a plan using the following criteria as set forth in the following order of priority:

- (1) Districts shall comply with the United States Constitution. Each County Legislator shall have reasonably equal population with other districts, except where deviation is required to comply with the federal Voting Rights Act or allowable by law.
- (2) Districts shall comply with the federal Voting Rights Act (42 U.S.C. Sec. 1971 and following) and any other requirement of federal or state law.
- (3) Districts shall be geographically contiguous.
- (4) The geographic integrity of any local neighborhood or local community of interest shall be respected in a manner that minimizes their division to the extent possible without violating the requirements of any of the preceding subsections. A community of interest is a contiguous population that shares common social and economic interests that should be included within a single district for purposes of its effective and fair representation. Communities of interest shall not include relationships with political parties, incumbents, or political candidates.
- (5) To the extent practicable, district boundaries shall be drawn to encourage geographical compactness such that nearby areas of population are not bypassed for more distant populations.
- (6) To the extent practicable, district boundaries shall be drawn using the boundaries of existing election precincts.
- (7) To the extent practicable, district boundaries shall be drawn using geographically identifiable boundaries.
- (8) The place of residence of any incumbent or potential political candidate shall not be considered in the creation of a plan or any district.

Section 6. Responsibilities of the Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission

- (1) The Commission shall:

- (a) conduct an open and transparent process enabling full public consideration of and public comment on the drawing of District Lines;
 - (b) draw District Lines according to the redistricting criteria specified in this Chapter; and
 - (c) conduct themselves with integrity and fairness.
- (2) The activities of the Commission are subject to all of the following:
 - (a) The commission shall comply with all state and county requirements for open meetings;
 - (b) The records of the Commission and all data considered by the Commission are public records that will be made available in a manner that ensures immediate and widespread public access.
 - (c) Commission members and Commission staff may not communicate with or receive communications about redistricting matters from anyone outside of a public hearing. This paragraph does not prohibit communication between Commission members, Commission staff, legal counsel, and consultants retained by the commission that is otherwise permitted by state and county open meeting requirements.
- (3) Public Hearing Process and Preliminary Plan

The Commission shall establish and implement an open hearing process for public input and deliberation that shall be subject to public notice and promoted through an extensive outreach program to solicit broad public participation in the redistricting public review process. The hearing process shall begin with hearings to receive public input before the commission votes and approves a preliminary redistricting plan. There shall be at least one such public hearing, before the commission votes on a preliminary redistricting plan in the City of Syracuse and at least but not limited to four additional hearings throughout the county. In addition, these hearings shall be supplemented with all other appropriate activities to further increase opportunities for the public to observe and participate in the review process.

Following the commission's vote approving the preliminary plan, there shall be at least five public hearings, geographically dispersed within the City of Syracuse and at least, but not limited to, four additional hearings throughout the county shall be held on a different date. The commission also shall display the approved preliminary plan for written public comment in a manner designed to achieve the widest public access reasonably possible. Written public comment shall be taken for at least 14 days from the date of public display of the approved preliminary plan.

(4) Final Plan

The commission then shall vote on a proposed final plan and then it shall

hold three subsequent public hearings, one inside the City of Syracuse, one north of Interstate 90 and one south of Interstate 90 and take at least five days of written public comments. The Commission then shall be finished with all hearings and adopt a final plan by no later than November 1 in each year ending in the number two (2).

By November 1 in each year ending in the number two (2), the commission shall adopt a final plan for the County of Onondaga specifically describing the district boundaries for each of the Onondaga County legislature districts prescribed above. Upon adoption, the commission shall certify the plan to the Onondaga County Legislature. The Onondaga County Legislature may not change the plan. The plan shall have the force and effect of law. It shall be adopted by an ordinance of the County legislature no later than December 31 of each year ending in number two and not be subject to approval or disapproval of the County Executive.

- (a) Report. The Commission shall issue a report that explains the basis on which the commission made its decisions in achieving compliance with the criteria listed above and shall include definitions of the terms and standards used in drawing the final plan.
- (b) Failure to Adopt a Plan. If the Commission does not adopt a final plan by the dates in this section, the Law Department for the County of Onondaga shall immediately petition state court for an order prescribing the boundary lines of the single-member districts in accordance with the redistricting criteria and requirements set forth in this Section. The plan prescribed by the court shall be used for all subsequent Onondaga County Legislature elections until a final plan is adopted by the Commission to replace it.

Section 7. Effective Date

The provisions of this Chapter shall be effective immediately.

Section 3. Section 2.17 is amended to state that the Reapportionment Committee shall be appointed consistent with Section 207 of the Onondaga County Charter, and Reapportionment shall be conducted consistent with Section 207 of the Onondaga County Charter.

Section 4. This Local Law shall apply to all actions related to the enactment of reapportionment plans for the Onondaga County Legislature occurring on and after December 1, 2020.

Section 5. If any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, section or part of this law or the application thereof to any person, individual, corporation, firm, partnership, entity, or circumstance, shall be adjudged by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unconstitutional, such order or judgment shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, section or part of this law, or in its application to the person, individual, corporation, firm, partnership, entity, or circumstance, directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment or order shall be rendered.

Section 6. Except as specifically amended herein, Section 207 of the Onondaga County Charter, being Local Law No. 1 of 1961, as amended, shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 7. This Local Law shall take effect immediately upon approval of the electors of Onondaga County.

Section 8. This Local Law shall be submitted to the Electors of Onondaga County at the next general election occurring on November 3, 2020.

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1. MAY				Chairman Knapp. referred the Local Law to the June 12, 2020 Ways and Means Committee meeting.
17. ERVIN				
6. ABBOTT-KENAN				
7. KUHN				
8. RYAN				
9. CHASE				
10. HOLMQUIST				
11. McBRIDE				
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16. WILLIAMS				
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