



# *Onondaga County Legislature*

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## **WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE AGENDA**

**1:00 p.m.  
September 30, 2016**

**407 Court House  
401 Montgomery Street, Syracuse**

### **A. WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE REPORT**

### **B. RESOLUTIONS:**

1. Adopting the Annual Budget for the County of Onondaga for the Fiscal Year Beginning January 1, 2017 and Ending December 31, 2017 and Authorizing the County Executive to Enter into Contracts with Other Governmental Units in Which Appropriations and Revenues are Approved by Adoption of the 2017 Budget (Sponsored by Mr. McMahan)
2. For the Consolidation of the Public Water Supply System Between the County of Onondaga and the Onondaga County Water Authority (OCWA): Approving the Classification of an Unlisted Action Under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA); Declaring Lead Agency Status; Accepting the Environmental Assessment Form; and Accepting and Adopting the Negative Declaration (Sponsored by Mr. McMahan)
3. Authorizing Continued Burial Allowances for Eligible Recipients of Public Assistance or Care and Indigents, and Amending Resolution No. 31-2016 (Sponsored by Mr. Knapp)
4. Authorizing the County Executive to Enter Into an Agreement with the State of New York For Snow and Ice Control on State Highways for the 2016-2017 Season (Sponsored by Mr. McMahan)
5. For County Officers and Employees Not Represented by a Bargaining Unit: Amending the Health Benefit Plan for Certain Retirees Who Elect to Leave the County Workforce (Sponsored by Mr. McMahan)

### **C. OTHER APPROPRIATE BUSINESS**

### **D. ADJOURNMENT**

October 11, 2016

Motion Made By Mr. McMahon

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

ADOPTING THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF ONONDAGA FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2017, AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2017, AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO ENTER INTO CONTRACTS WITH OTHER GOVERNMENTAL UNITS IN WHICH APPROPRIATIONS AND REVENUES ARE APPROVED BY ADOPTION OF THE 2017 BUDGET

WHEREAS, the Executive Budget for the year 2017 (on file with the Clerk of the Legislature) including the Capital Improvement Plan, the County Executive's Budget Message, and proposed local laws and resolutions to implement the Executive Budget having been duly presented to this Legislature by the County Executive; and

WHEREAS, the Ways and Means Committee of the Onondaga County Legislature has duly reviewed such Executive Budget, the Capital Improvement Plan and the Budget Message, each as submitted to the County Legislature by the County Executive; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 142-2016, a Public Hearing as required by Article VI of the Charter, was duly held on October 6, 2016, upon such Executive Budget, the Capital Improvement Plan and the Budget Message as submitted by the County Executive, upon due notice according to law, and at such time all persons desiring to be heard were heard; and

WHEREAS, the total Budget of \$1,298,880,725 includes the sum of \$9,682,000, which amount is the contribution from the General Fund for the Onondaga Community College Budget for the fiscal year ending August 31, 2017, as adopted by Resolution No. 90-2016. From this total Budget amount can be deducted \$1,118,520,595 estimated revenues and refunds and the sum of \$37,514,070 representing appropriated prior year cash surplus, leaving a net budget subject to tax levy for County purposes of \$142,846,060. Of this amount \$9,682,000 represents the levy to support the Community College and \$133,164,060 for all other purposes; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the County Executive's 2017 Executive Budget, (which budget is attached hereto, follows and is made a part hereof) be and the same hereby is approved and adopted as the Annual County Budget for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2017, for the County of Onondaga, and that the several amounts set forth and specified herein be and they hereby are appropriated for the purpose therein enumerated; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that there be levied, assessed and collected upon the taxable property of the County of Onondaga the further sum of \$9,682,000 for Onondaga Community College; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that there be levied, assessed and collected upon the taxable property of the County of Onondaga the further sum of \$133,164,060 for general County purposes other than the Onondaga Community College; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Legislature is hereby directed to apportion the various amounts according to law upon the respective abstracts for the several towns and the City of Syracuse; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the amounts appropriated for the fiscal year 2017 in each administrative unit using the expense code 641010-Regular Employee Salaries and Wages, and the number of regular positions

authorized by this Legislature for such fiscal year be and they hereby are appropriated and authorized as follows:

1. That the position in each administrative unit set forth by the title listed and the corresponding number of such position allocated to such title and listed under the column "2017 Executive Budget" be authorized as the roster of regular positions for such unit, and the Salary Plan shall be amended to reflect the titles of positions created, abolished, reclassified or reallocated on the roster of regular positions.

2. That the rate of pay for each such position shall be determined by the salary grade set forth for each such position in the column adjacent to the position title in accordance with the appropriate County Salary Plan Grades Schedule printed in this Budget, or if applicable, by such other salary rate as is authorized by this Legislature in the County Salary Plan as amended and herein set forth for such position.

3. That the rate of pay to the individual filling each such position be determined in accordance with the rules of said Salary Plan, or other applicable resolution of this Legislature, which pay rate shall include the regular compensation rate, including maintenance, if any, and where applicable premium compensation such as longevity payments, education premium in grade, shift differential or any premium payments, exclusive of overtime premium, to which such individual may be entitled by resolution of this Legislature.

4. That the amount of money appropriated for the roster of regular positions in each such administrative unit be in the amount shown for "Regular Employees Salaries and Wages" in the column entitled "2017 Executive Budget" which amount is determined as follows: The "Total Annual Salaries and Wages" set forth in the column entitled "2017 Executive Budget", which is the sum of (1) annual salaries recommended for 2017 set forth for the incumbents listed in the roster of regular positions maintained by the Department of Personnel, (2) annual salaries recommended for 2017 for funded vacant positions in such roster computed at the starting salary amount, and (3) the amount recommended for any purpose set forth in the column entitled "2017 Executive Budget"; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that no overtime premium for any employee in any administrative unit shall be paid out of the amount appropriated for the expense code 641020-Overtime Wages, in the column entitled "2017 Executive Budget" unless authorized by this Legislature or by an executed collective bargaining agreement approved by this Legislature; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the respective county administrative unit heads be and they hereby are authorized to employ as occasion may require, subject to the approval of the County Executive and/or Chief Fiscal Officer, such seasonal and temporary help at rates of pay authorized by this Legislature in the County Salary Plan as amended within the limits of the respective appropriations set forth in this Budget for such purposes in the expense code 641030 - Seasonal and Temporary Employee Wages, in the column entitled "2017 Executive Budget"; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that for all other objects and purposes, the several amounts as set forth in the column entitled "2017 Executive Budget" shall be appropriated; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive is hereby authorized to execute any and all contracts with other units of government for which appropriations or revenues have been approved by adoption of this 2017 County Budget and to enter into contracts with authorized agencies pursuant to law; and, be it further

RESOLVED, there be levied and assessed and collected on the taxable property of the City of Syracuse, New York, subject to any further changes in equalization rates or taxable values through December 31, 2016, the following amounts for the purpose stated herein, and that the said amounts be included in the Abstract of the City of Syracuse for the fiscal year 2017:

Apportionment of County Taxes (Total levy = \$142,846,060)	\$ 24,607,543
Estimated 2017 cost for operation of Public Safety Building	\$ 1,223,018
Sheriff charges for operation of Syracuse City Jail-Justice Center, 2017	\$ 7,280,342
Syracuse-Onondaga County Planning Agency, 2017	\$ 915,922
Dept. of Children & Family Services (Youth Bureau), 2017	\$ 269,269
Dept. of Adult & Long Term Care Services (Office for the Aging), 2017	\$ 25,000
Operation of Branch Libraries in City of Syracuse, 2017	\$ 6,370,005
Negotiated cost of operation of the Center for Forensic Science, 2017	\$ 2,171,792
2017 Operation and Maintenance of the New Criminal Courthouse	\$ 1,577,079
2017 2% Uncollected Charge for City-County Depts.	\$ 396,649
City Collection Fee (1%)	\$ <u>448,366</u>
TOTAL	\$ 45,284,985

; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the County tax rate of the City of Syracuse for the fiscal year 2017 be and the same hereby is fixed at the rate of \$12.1766 per one thousand assessments, subject to any further changes in the equalization rates or taxable values through December 31, 2016; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Chief Fiscal Officer is hereby authorized to adjust the final County tax rate of the City of Syracuse based on equalization and assessment information certified to the County as of December 31, 2016; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of this Legislature, upon consultation with the Chief Fiscal Officer, is hereby directed to publish this resolution with the total budget amount and amounts to be levied and assessed, as amended by this Legislature; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that if any clause, sentence, paragraph, or section of this resolution shall be adjudged by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such adjudication shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, or section directly involved in the proceeding in which such adjudication shall have been rendered; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that this resolution be certified as amended to the proper officials of the City of Syracuse pursuant to the laws of the State of New York and for publication in the Legislative Journal.

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October 11, 2016

Motion Made By Mr. McMahon

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

FOR THE CONSOLIDATION OF THE PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF ONONDAGA AND THE ONONDAGA COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY (OCWA): APPROVING THE CLASSIFICATION OF AN UNLISTED ACTION UNDER THE STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW ACT (SEQRA); DECLARING LEAD AGENCY STATUS; ACCEPTING THE ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FORM; AND ACCEPTING AND ADOPTING THE NEGATIVE DECLARATION

WHEREAS, the County of Onondaga is the owner of property, both real and personal, constituting water district assets for the Onondaga County Water District, the Southwood-Jamesville Water District, and the Warners Water District (collectively "Districts"); and

WHEREAS, the County proposes to enter into a cooperation agreement with the Onondaga County Water Authority (OCWA), a public water authority, to consolidate the parties' respective networks of public water supply systems for the benefit of all users; and

WHEREAS, the proposed cooperation agreement provides for OCWA to provide operations and maintenance services in connection with the use and access to the property of the Districts for a term not to exceed thirty years, allowing for the continued benefit to the public of a long-term, strong and sustainable water supply; and

WHEREAS, an analysis of the potential environmental impacts of the proposed action has been conducted pursuant to SEQRA; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the County is hereby authorized, directed, and designated to act as the Lead Agency under SEQRA for the proposed action; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Environmental Assessment Form for this project has been prepared and reviewed and is on file with the Clerk of the Legislature and that the County has classified the proposed action as an unlisted action pursuant to SEQRA; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that this Onondaga County Legislature does hereby accept and adopt the Negative Declaration for the proposed action, and has determined that such action will not have a significant effect on the environment; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Onondaga County Executive, or her designee, is authorized to take such action to comply with the requirements of SEQRA, including without limitation the execution of documents and filing of the Findings, and any other action to implement the intent of this resolution.

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October 11, 2016

Motion Made By Mr. Knapp

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

AUTHORIZING CONTINUED BURIAL ALLOWANCES FOR ELIGIBLE RECIPIENTS OF PUBLIC ASSISTANCE OR CARE AND INDIGENTS, AND AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 31-2016

RESOLVED, that Resolution No. 31-2016 is hereby amended to strike the final resolved clause in its entirety and to substitute the following language therefor:

RESOLVED, that this resolution becomes effective immediately with respect to services rendered to eligible public assistance recipients and indigent persons on or after January 1, 2016, and that this resolution shall continue in effect until further action of this Onondaga County Legislature.

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October 11, 2016

Motion Made By Mr. McMahon

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF NEW YORK FOR SNOW AND ICE CONTROL ON STATE HIGHWAYS FOR THE 2016-2017 SEASON

WHEREAS, Section 12 of the New York State Highway Law authorizes the County of Onondaga to contract with the State of New York for the control of snow and ice on state highways in towns and incorporated villages; and

WHEREAS, since 1975 the New York State Commissioner of Transportation and the County of Onondaga have contracted for the County to provide snow and ice on state roads within the County; and

WHEREAS, the estimated amount of the contract for snow and ice control for the 2016-2017 season is \$1,946,977, and it is the desire of this Legislature to authorize said contract; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Onondaga County Executive hereby is authorized to enter into agreements with the State of New York to provide for the control of snow and ice on state highways in the estimated annual amount of \$1,946,977 for the 2016-2017 season and to implement the intent of this resolution.

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ONONDAGA COUNTY LEGISLATURE

October 4, 2016

Motion Made By Mr. McMahon

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

FOR COUNTY OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES NOT REPRESENTED BY A BARGAINING UNIT:  
AMENDING THE HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN FOR CERTAIN RETIREES WHO ELECT TO LEAVE  
THE COUNTY'S WORKFORCE

WHEREAS, this resolution amends the monthly contribution amount for the Onondaga County Health Benefit Plan (OnPoint) for all regular full time officers and employees and regular part time, seasonal and temporary employees on the 103 payroll (on a pro rata basis), where such employees are not represented by a bargaining unit through a recognized labor organization and are working in management confidential titles (collectively "management confidential employees") and provides an option for certain management confidential employees to participate in a lock-in program, as defined herein below; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that eligible management confidential employees shall have the option to lock in a contribution amount for retiree health benefit coverage ("lock-in program"), where the eligibility criteria for such program is for an officer or employee who:

1. serves or is employed by the County in a regular position during the election period in a management confidential title;
2. is to retain health benefits under the Onondaga County Benefit Program at the time the employee separates from the County's workforce;
3. voluntarily elects to participate in the lock-in program, demonstrated by irrevocably tendering resignation from employment within the County's workforce using an executed form provided by the County Department of Personnel within the election period; and
4. actually separates from the County's workforce not later than the close of business on December 31, 2016; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that for management confidential employees electing to participate in the lock-in program, the monthly contribution shall be fixed at fifteen percent (15%) the premium equivalency rate for the OnPoint, and shall remain at such fixed percentage until further action by the County Legislature; provided, however, that the maximum amount of such monthly contribution shall not exceed twenty percent (20%); and, be it further

RESOLVED, that under the lock-in program, for surviving spouses eligible to maintain coverage after the death of the eligible spouse, the monthly contribution shall be fixed at twenty percent (20%) of the premium equivalency rate for OnPoint, and shall remain at such fixed percentage until further action by the County Legislature; provided, however, that the maximum amount of such monthly contribution shall not exceed twenty-five percent (25%); and, be it further

RESOLVED, that such premium equivalency rate shall be established periodically by the County's Chief Fiscal Officer; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the election period for the lock-in program shall commence on October 4, 2016, immediately upon adoption of this resolution and continue through the close of business on October 21, 2016; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the changes authorized herein shall not be construed in a manner so as to alter or otherwise conflict with applicable law and regulations, including, but not limited to, provisions of New York State Civil Service Law or the provisions of New York State Retirement and Social Security Law, including such provisions relating to public employment retirement benefits and eligibility therefor; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that any previously adopted resolution of this Legislature providing for salary and benefits administration shall remain in full force and effect, except as superseded or otherwise modified herein.

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