



# Onondaga County Legislature

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## WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE REVIEW OF THE 2023 TENTATIVE BUDGET FINAL REVIEW – SEPTEMBER 29, 2022 BRIAN F. MAY, CHAIR

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mr. Ryan, Mr. Burtis, Ms. Abbott, Mr. Olson, Mrs. Ervin  
**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Mr. Kinne  
**ALSO ATTENDING:** Chairman Rowley, Ms. Gunnip, Ms. Cody, Ms. Kuhn, Mr. McBride,  
Mr. Knapp, Mr. Bush, Dr. Kelly; also please see attached

Chair May called the meeting to order at 1:14 p.m. The resolutions and local laws have been received and deemed considered for the budget meeting on October 11<sup>th</sup>.

### A. WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE REPORT

	DECREASE	INCREASE
<b>01 - AUTHORIZED AGENCIES - FINANCIAL</b>		
<b><u>APPROPRIATIONS:</u></b>		
Increase A659550 Museum of Science & Technology <i>(Note: One Time Initiative: MOST Capital)</i>	50,000	
Decrease A659980 Syracuse Jazz Fest Productions <i>(Note: Reallocated to Visit Syracuse to market Jazz Fest)</i>	(10,000)	
Increase Rec. Appropriations	40,000	
<b>Net Local Share</b>		<b>\$40,000</b>

- 2022 commitment had condition of \$10,000 to Visit Syracuse for destination marketing; makes appropriation

*A motion was made by Mr. Burtis, seconded by Ms. Abbott, to approve this item. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.*

	DECREASE	INCREASE
<b>03 - AUTHORIZED AGENCIES - PHYSICAL</b>		
<b><u>APPROPRIATIONS:</u></b>		
Increase A659710 Cooperative Extension Assn <i>(Note: Deer &amp; Tick Data Collection; 4-H Youth Development)</i>	30,000	
Increase Rec. Appropriations	30,000	
<b>Net Local Share</b>		<b>\$30,000</b>

*A motion was made by Mr. Burtis, seconded by Ms. Abbott, to approve this item. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.*

	DECREASE	INCREASE
<b>21-30 STOP DWI</b>		
<b><u>APPROPRIATIONS:</u></b>		
Increase A695700 Contractual Expenses Non Govt (Note: Onondaga Major Felony Unit)	10,000	
Increase Rec. Appropriations	10,000	
<b>Net Local Share</b>		<b>\$10,000</b>

- For all police and village agencies to cooperate on equipment and training; funded every year by Legislature

*A motion was made by Mr. Burtis, seconded by Ms. Abbott, to approve this item. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.*

	DECREASE	INCREASE
<b>23-65-15 - COUNTY GENERAL OTHER ITEMS</b>		
<b><u>APPROPRIATIONS:</u></b>		
Increase A695700 Contractual Expenses Non-Govt (Note: Jazz Fest marketing - Visit Syracuse)	10,000	
Decrease A695700 Contractual Expenses Non-Govt	(500,000)	
Increase A666500 Contingent Account (Note: Economic Development Marketing)	500,000	
Increase A668720 Transfer to Grant Expend (Note: One Time Initiative - Syracuse Police Athletic Action Leagues - PAL)	50,000	
Increase A668720 Transfer to Grant Expend (Note: One Time Initiative - Syracuse NE Comm Center - Supported Employment Program)	50,000	
Increase Rec. Appropriations		
<b>Net Local Share</b>		<b>\$110,000</b>

*A motion was made by Mr. Burtis, seconded by Ms. Abbott, to approve this item. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.*

	DECREASE	INCREASE
<b>25 - COUNTY LEGISLATURE</b>		
Delete JC01750 Exec Secretary; Gr. 26		
Delete JC01760 Secretary; Gr. 24		
<b><u>APPROPRIATIONS:</u></b>		
Decrease A641010 Total-Total Salaries	(43,203)	
Decrease A691200 - Employee Benefits - Interdepart	(19,009)	
Increase A668720 Transfer to Grant Expend (Note: Flood Hazard Special Fund)	100,000	
Increase Rec. Appropriations	37,788	
<b>Net Local Share</b>		<b>\$37,788</b>

*A motion was made by Mr. Burtis, seconded by Ms. Abbott, to approve this item. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.*

	DECREASE	INCREASE
<b>33 - WATER ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION</b>		
<b><u>APPROPRIATIONS:</u></b>		
Decrease A671500 Automotive Equipment	(40,000)	
Increase A694080 Professional Services (Note: Cornell Cooperative Extension)	40,000	
Increase Rec. Appropriations	0	
<b>Net Local Share</b>		<b>\$0</b>

*A motion was made by Mr. Burtis, seconded by Ms. Abbott, to approve this item. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.*

	DECREASE	INCREASE
<b>3510 - ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT</b>		
<b><u>APPROPRIATIONS:</u></b>		
Decrease A668720 Transfer to Grant Expend (Note: Workforce Development Grants)	(2,500,000)	
Increase A666500 Contingent Account	2,500,000	
Increase Rec. Appropriations	0	
<b>Net Local Share</b>		<b>\$0</b>

*A motion was made by Mr. Burtis, seconded by Ms. Abbott, to approve this item. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.*

	DECREASE	INCREASE
<b>36 - OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENT</b>		
Increase A668720 Transfer to Grant Expend (Note: Water Chestnut Mitigation Project)	100,000	
Increase Rec. Appropriations	100,000	
<b>Net Local Share</b>		<b>\$100,000</b>

- This year experienced last minute sever problems with water chestnut issue (i.e. Seneca River); needs addressing
- Will sit in project to enable Office of Environment to work with Soil and Water - on demand basis

*A motion was made by Mr. Burtis, seconded by Ms. Abbott, to approve this item. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.*

	DECREASE	INCREASE
<b>37 - BOARD OF ELECTIONS</b>		
Create 2 Elections Clerk 2, Gr. 5 (37,581-41,498)		
<b><u>APPROPRIATIONS:</u></b>		
Increase A641010 Total Salaries	75,162	
Increase A691200 Employee Benefits	33,071	

Decrease A694010 Travel & Training	(2,000)	
Increase Rec. Appropriations	106,233	
<b>Net Local Share</b>		<b>\$106,233</b>

*A motion was made by Mr. Burtis, seconded by Ms. Abbott, to approve this item. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.*

	DECREASE	INCREASE
<b>38 - EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT</b>		
<b><u>APPROPRIATIONS:</u></b>		
Increase A668720 Transfer to Grant Expend (Note: First Responder Recruitment and Retention)	25,000	
Increase Rec. Appropriations	25,000	
<b>Net Local Share</b>		<b>\$25,000</b>

- On top of First Responder Recruitment and Retention Initiative started in 2022
- Expanding scope to include real problem with funding and staffing EMS agencies serving communities in county

*A motion was made by Mr. Olson, seconded by Ms. Abbott, to approve this item. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.*

	DECREASE	INCREASE
<b>69 - PARKS &amp; RECREATION</b>		
<b><u>APPROPRIATIONS:</u></b>		
Decrease A671500 Automotive Equipment	(31,000)	
Decrease A668720 Transfer to Grant Expend	(1,000,000)	
Increase A666500 Contingent Account (Note: Baseball & Softball Sports Tourism Continuation Plan)	1,000,000	
Decrease Rec. Appropriations	(31,000)	
<b>Net Local Share</b>		<b>(\$31,000)</b>

*A motion was made by Mr. Burtis, seconded by Ms. Abbott, to approve this item. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.*

	DECREASE	INCREASE
<b>79 - SHERIFF'S OFFICE</b>		
<b><u>APPROPRIATIONS:</u></b>		
Decrease A691200 Employee Benefits - Interdepart	(570,172)	
Increase A693000 Supplies & Materials	39,689	
Increase A694130 Maint, Utilities, Rent	153,897	
Increase A694010 Travel & Training	50,000	
Increase A671500 Automotive Equipment	326,586	
Increase Rec. Appropriations	0	

**Net Local Share****\$0**

- Double vehicle request

*A motion was made by Mr. Burtis, seconded by Ms. Abbott, to approve this item.*

- Continues longstanding practice of adding Sheriff's vehicles back into the budget

*Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.*

**81 - DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES  
ECONOMIC SECURITY**
**DECREASE      INCREASE****APPROPRIATIONS:**

Increase A695700 Contractual Expenses Non-Govt (Note: Juneteenth Additional Funding)	5,000
Decrease A661180 Medical Payments by State MMIS	(383,021)
Decrease Rec. Appropriations	(378,021)

**Net Local Share****(\$378,021)**

- Funding \$383,021 of changes the Legislature is making through MMIS

*A motion was made by Mr. Burtis, seconded by Ms. Abbott, to approve this item. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.*

**82 - ADULT AND LTC****DECREASE      INCREASE****APPROPRIATIONS:**

Decrease A668720 Transfer to Grant Expend (Note: Senior Initiatives)	(1,000,000)
Increase A666500 Contingent Account	1,000,000
Increase Rec. Appropriations	0

**Net Local Share****\$0**

*A motion was made by Mr. Burtis, seconded by Ms. Abbott, to approve this item. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.*

**87 - SYRACUSE ONONDAGA PLANNING AGENCY****DECREASE      INCREASE****APPROPRIATIONS:**

Decrease A668720 Transfer to Grant Expend (Note: Blue and Green Initiatives)	(2,500,000)
Increase A666500 Contingent Account	2,500,000
Increase Rec. Appropriations	0

**Net Local Share** **\$0**

*A motion was made by Mr. Burtis, seconded by Ms. Abbott, to approve this item. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.*

	DECREASE	INCREASE
<b>9320 - DOT - ROAD MACHINERY FUND</b>		
<b><u>APPROPRIATIONS:</u></b>		
Decrease A693000 Supplies & Materials	(50,000)	
Decrease Rec. Appropriations	(50,000)	
<b><u>REVENUES:</u></b>		
Decrease A590070 Interfund Trans - Non Debt Svc	(50,000)	
Decrease Rec. Revenues	(50,000)	
<b>Net Local Share</b>		<b>\$0</b>

*A motion was made by Mr. Burtis, seconded by Ms. Abbott, to approve this item. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.*

	DECREASE	INCREASE
<b>2385 INTERFUND TRANSFER - GENERAL FUND</b>		
<b><u>APPROPRIATIONS:</u></b>		
Decrease A668710 Transfer to Road Mach Fund	(50,000)	
Decrease Rec. Appropriations	(50,000)	
<b>Net Local Share</b>		<b>(\$50,000)</b>
	<b>DECREASE</b>	<b>INCREASE</b>
Total Change	( <b>\$459,021</b> )	<b>\$459,021</b>
<b>Local Impact</b>		<b>\$0</b>

*A motion was made by Mr. Burtis, seconded by Ms. Abbott, to approve this item. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.*

*A motion was made by Mr. Burtis, seconded by Ms. Abbott, to approve the Ways and Means Report as presented. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.*

Chair May stated the tax rate remains at \$4.26 as presented with a \$0.53 cut from last year. There are no changes to the levy as proposed by the County Executive. Compared to last year, it is a cut of \$1 million.

**B. RESOLUTIONS:**

1. Adopting the Annual Budget for the County of Onondaga for the Fiscal Year Beginning January 1, 2023 and Ending December 31, 2023 and Authorizing the County Executive to Enter into Contracts with Other Governmental Units in Which Appropriations and Revenues are Approved by Adoption of the 2023 Budget
2. Providing for Various Personnel Changes Related to the Adoption of the 2023 County Budget and Amending the Onondaga County Salary Plan
3. A Resolution Adopting an Amended Schedule of Sewer Rents for the Onondaga County Sanitary District (*Sponsored by Ms. Abbott*)

**C. LOCAL LAWS:**

1. A Local Law Relating to Certain Fees Collected by the Onondaga County Health Department and the Center for Forensic Sciences for Medical Examiner and Forensic Laboratory Services, and Further Amending Local Law No. 1-2022 (*Sponsored by Dr. Chase*)

***A motion was made by Mr. Burtis, seconded by Ms. Abbott, to adjourn the meeting. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.***

The meeting was adjourned at 1:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



JAMIE McNAMARA, Clerk  
Onondaga County Legislature

**ATTENDANCE**

**COMMITTEE: BUDGET WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE FINAL REVIEW  
DATE: SEPTEMBER 29, 2022**

NAME (Please Print)	DEPARTMENT/AGENCY
Kristi Smiley	Finance
Carl Hummel	Personnel
Tawesha Murphy	CE Office
Geraldine Derick	Visitor
Darcie Lesniak	Leg
John DeSantis	Leg
Jim Beebe	Leg
Tim Fratreschi	Leg
Kate Felice	Law
Ben Yaws	Law
Stacy Morgan	CE
Brian Donnelly	CE
Lisa Dell	Co.