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City Clerk

CITY OF RENSSELAER

OFFICE OF
THE CITY CLERK

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AGENDA
COMMON COUNCIL MEETING
JANUARY 20, 2021

1. A RESOLUTION TO OVERRIDE VETO OF MAYOR OF PRIOR RESOLUTION NUMBER 2 ADOPTED BY COMMON COUNCIL ON JANUARY 6, 2021; "A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE PROPOSED LOCAL LAW NO. 2 OF 2021 AS TO FORM AND SCHEDULING A PUBLIC HEARING THEREON"
2. A RESOLUTION TO OVERRIDE VETO OF MAYOR OF PRIOR RESOLUTION NUMBER 3 ADOPTED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL ON JANUARY 6, 2021; " A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE PROPOSED LOCAL LAW NO.3 OF 2021 AS TO FORM AND SCHEDULING A PUBLIC HEARING THEREON"
3. A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE LOCAL LAW NO. 1 OF 2021
4. A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE LOCAL LAW NO. 2 OF 2021
5. A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE LOCAL LAW NO. 3 OF 2021
6. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT WITH SYSTEMS EAST, INC. FOR THE 2021 CALENDAR YEAR - CITY TREASURER

**CITY OF RENSSELAER
COMMON COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY EVENING
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 20, 2021**

COUNCILPERSON LEAHEY MADE A MOTION DURING THE PUBLIC SPEAKING PORTION TO BEGIN THE FORMAL SESSION AT 6:44 PM AS ALL PERSONS WHO SIGNED UP TO BE AT THE MEETING WERE IN ATTENDANCE. ALDERPERSON ENDRES SECONDED THE MOTION. THE COUNCIL CONVENED AT 6:44P.M. AND WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY PRESIDENT DEFRANCESCO.

THE ROLL BEING CALLED, THE FOLLOWING ANSWERED TO THEIR NAMES:

PRESIDENT DEFRANCESCO

ALDERPERSON: VAN VORST
GARDNER
LEAHEY
CASEY
ENDRES

EXCUSED: VANDYKE

CITY OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:

VOTES ON RESOLUTION'S NUMBER ONE AND TWO WERE CALLED AND THE RESOLUTIONS PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

ALDERPERSON LEAHEY MADE A MOTION TO HOLD THE PUBLIC HEARINGS FOR LOCAL LAW NUMBER TWO AND LOCAL LAW NUMBER THREE OF 2021 AT 6:48PM.

ALDERPERSON CASEY SECONDED THAT MOTION.

VOTES ON THE MOTION:

AYES: VAN VORST, GARDNER, LEAHEY, CASEY, ENDRES, AND DEFRANCESCO.

NOES:

PRESIDENT DEFRANCESCO DECLARED THIS MOTION DULY ADOPTED

ALDERPERSON LEAHEY MADE A MOTION TO GO BACK INTO THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL AT 6:58PM AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC HEARINGS.

ALDERPERSON ENDRES SECONDED THE MOTION.

VOTES ON THE MOTION:

AYES: VAN VORST, GARDNER, LEAHEY, CASEY, ENDRES, AND DEFRANCESCO.

NOES:

PRESIDENT DEFRANCESCO DECLARED THIS MOTION DULY ADOPTED

ALDERPERSON GARDNER MOVED THAT THE MINUTES BE ADOPTED AS PRINTED, SUBJECT TO CORRECTIONS, SECONDED BY ALDERPERSON VAN VORST. PRESIDENT DEFRANCESCO DECLARED THIS MOTION DULY ADOPTED.

COMMUNICATIONS: NONE

COMMUNICATIONS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS:

CITY CLERK NANCY HARDT REPORTS THAT THE MAYOR HAS VETOED RESOLUTIONS NUMBER 2 AND 3 WHICH WERE PASSED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL AT THE JANUARY 6 2021 COMMON COUNCIL MEETING AND HAS APPROVED ALL OTHER RESOLUTIONS FROM THE SAME MEETING.

PRESENTATION OF ACCOUNTS:

ALDERPERSON GARDNER MADE A MOTION TO WAIVE THE READING OF THE BILLS AND PAYROLL, SECONDED BY ALDERPERSON CASEY.

VOTES TO WAIVE THE READING OF BILLS

AYES: VAN VORST, GARDNER, LEAHEY, CASEY, ENDRES, AND DEFRANCESCO.

NOES:

PRESIDENT DEFRANCESCO DECLARED THIS MOTION DULY ADOPTED

ALDERPERSON GARDNER MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE BILLS AND PAYROLL AS PRINTED SUBJECT TO CORRECTION, SECONDED BY ALDERPERSON ENDRES.

VOTES TO ACCEPT THE BILLS AND PAYROLL:

AYES: VAN VORST, GARDNER, LEAHEY, CASEY, ENDRES, AND DEFRANCESCO.

NOES:

PRESIDENT DEFRANCESCO DECLARED THIS MOTION DULY ADOPTED

COMMITTEE & WARD REPORTS:

WARD#1

WARD#2

WARD#3

WARD#4

WARD#5

WARD#6

COUNCIL PRESIDENT DEFRANCESCO:

BIDS: NONE

CLAIMS: ACC CONTAINERS, ET.AL VS. CITY OF RENSSELAER

PETITIONS: NONE

RESOLUTIONS: VOTES WERE CALLED ON THE REMAINING RESOLUTIONS; NUMBERS THREE THROUGH SIX.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ALDERPERSON VAN VORST TO ADJOURN AT 7:03P. M. AND SECONDED BY ALDERPERSON CASEY.

VOTES TO ADJOURN:

AYES: VAN VORST, GARDNER, LEAHEY, CASEY, ENDRES, AND DEFRANCESCO.

NOES: NONE

PRESIDENT DEFRANCESCO DECLARED THIS MOTION DULY ADOPTED.

NEXT MEETING: FEBRUARY 3, 2021

CITY OF RENSSELAER, COMMON COUNCIL MEETING
 January 20th, 2021

Aldersperson moved that all bills and payrolls be referred to the Auditing Committee. The City Clerk reports that the bills and payrolls amounted to:

BILLS ENCUMBERED THROUGH:	January 8, 2021	January 20th, 2021
General Fund	\$343,807.92	\$325,775.00
Water Fund	\$21,030.53	\$1,462.53
Solid Waste Fund	\$4,053.54	\$19,381.87
Sewer Fund	\$4,798.20	\$131.90
Library Fund	\$400.16	\$1,709.63
Capital Fund	\$87,252.26	\$0.00
Community Development Fund	\$4,250.00	\$0.00
Total	\$465,592.61	\$348,460.93

PAYROLL DATES: December 24th, 2020 January 8th, 2021 January 22nd, 2021

Departments:

Common Council Payroll	\$2,168.53	\$2,168.53	\$2,168.53
General Fund Admin. Payroll	\$44,433.81	\$48,397.44	\$48,730.16
Library Payroll	\$3,776.75	\$3,758.50	\$3,785.75
Public Works Payroll	\$27,550.38	\$27,879.22	\$28,635.56
Public Works Vacation Buy-Back	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Public Works Overtime	\$9,822.20	\$2,930.05	\$2,346.79
Water Department Payroll	\$9,215.20	\$12,532.67	\$7,368.92
Water Department Longevity	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Water Department Overtime	\$984.49	\$744.18	\$382.04
Water Department Vacation Buy-Back	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Solid Waste Payroll	\$10,361.42	\$10,657.84	\$10,361.81
Solid Waste Overtime	\$0.00	\$27.12	\$0.00
Solid Waste Vacation Buy-Back	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Sewer Payroll	\$1,926.13	\$1,832.14	\$1,832.13
Sewer Overtime	\$137.41	\$973.67	\$171.76
Fire Department Payroll	\$39,885.18	\$39,885.18	\$39,885.18
Fire Department Overtime	\$21,512.52	\$20,363.23	\$9,428.27
Fire Department Kelly Days	\$3,258.42	\$4,081.68	\$844.88
Fire Department Longevity	\$432.77	\$432.77	\$432.77
Fire Department EMT	\$1,384.56	\$1,384.56	\$1,384.56
Fire Department Vacation Buy Back	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Fire Department Uniform Allowance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Fire Department Sick Incentive	\$0.00	\$8,741.66	\$0.00
Police Department Payroll	\$92,600.95	\$90,821.64	\$92,361.39
Police Department Overtime	\$18,587.95	\$17,271.80	\$10,827.61
Police Department Longevity	\$1,695.64	\$1,675.93	\$1,675.93
Police Department Sick Incentive	\$0.00	\$9,650.00	\$0.00
Police Department Vacation Buy Back	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Police Department Uniform Allowance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Health Ins. Opt out	\$0.00	\$3,147.38	\$0.00
Non-Union Longevity	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Employee SS	\$17,342.02	\$18,521.58	\$15,626.65
Employee Medicare	\$4,055.76	\$4,331.67	\$3,654.65
TOTAL	\$311,132.09	\$332,210.44	\$281,905.34

I hereby certify that the above claims are were duly audited and ordered paid at a meeting of the Common Council held on this date: January 20th, 2021

TO THE TREASURER OF THE CITY OF RENSSELAER, NY:

Pay to the claimants named herein the amounts of the claims set opposite their respective names, and charge to the funds specified, and this shall be your warrant.

By Alderperson : _____ COUNCIL AS A WHOLE _____

Seconded by Alderperson : _____

1

A RESOLUTION TO OVERRIDE VETO OF MAYOR OF PRIOR RESOLUTION NUMBER 2 ADOPTED BY COMMON COUNCIL ON JANUARY 6, 2021; "A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE PROPOSED LOCAL LAW NO. 2 OF 2021 AS TO FORM AND SCHEDULING A PUBLIC HEARING THEREON"

WHEREAS, The Common Council of the City of Rensselaer adopted Resolution Number 2 on January 6, 2021 titled "A Resolution to Approve Proposed Local Law No. 2 of 2021 as to Form and Scheduling a Public Hearing Thereon", and

WHEREAS, the City Common Council having been advised that the Mayor returned a veto message to the City Clerk concerning the aforementioned Resolution, and the City Common Council having now carefully reconsidered such Resolution Number 2, a copy of which is attached hereto;

WHEREAS, the City Common Council being advised that any veto override requires a 2/3 vote of the Common Council, and

WHEREAS, the City Common Council believes Resolution Number 2 adopted on January 6, 2021 is appropriate as to form and substance, and that passage of such Resolution over the veto of the Mayor is in the best interests of the City of Rensselaer, and good cause existing therefore,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the attached Resolution Number 2 previously adopted by the Common Council on January 6, 2021 is hereby readopted over the veto of the Mayor, pursuant to Section 67 of the City Charter.

Approved as to form and sufficiency
this _____ day of _____, 2021

James Van Vorst	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent	_____ Corporation Counsel
Dave Gardner	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent	
Bryan Leahey	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent	
James Casey	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent	_____ Mayor
Eric Endres	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent	
Margaret Van Dyke	<input type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Absent	
John DeFrancesco	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent	
Vote Totals	4 Aye	0 No	Abstain	1 Absent	
Result	PASSED				

By Alderperson : Council as a Whole

#2

Seconded by Alderperson : _____

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE PROPOSED LOCAL LAW NO. 2 OF 2021 AS TO FORM AND SCHEDULING A PUBLIC HEARING THEREON

WHEREAS, The City of Rensselaer is desirous of amending Title IV, Section 80, Paragraph 23 of the Charter of the City of Rensselaer, New York, relative to General Legislative Powers of the Common Council, so as to require cooperation and assistance by City Employees to the Common Council Members in the performance of their duties as such Common Council Members, and

WHEREAS, the Common Council has reviewed proposed Local Law No. 2 of the year 2021, and

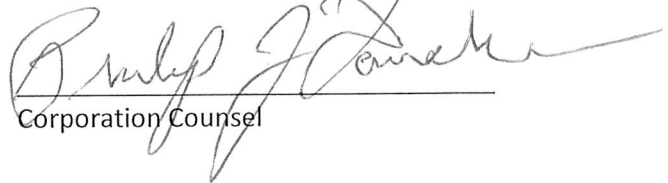
WHEREAS, such Local Law appears appropriate as to form and it appearing appropriate for a Public Hearing to be scheduled so as to consider public comments on such proposed legislation,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that proposed Local Law No. 2 of the year 2021 is hereby approved as to form, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a Public Hearing will be held at 7:00 p.m. on January 20, 2021, at the City Hall of the City of Rensselaer located at 62 Washington Street, Rensselaer, New York, so as to allow the Common Council to hear Public Comment on proposed Local Law No. 2 of 2021, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to issue appropriate Public Notice of the Public Hearing scheduled herein.

Approved as to form and sufficiency
this 1st day of January, 2021



Corporation Counsel

James Van Vorst	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Dave Gardner	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Bryan Leahy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
James Casey	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Eric Endres	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Margaret Van Dyke	<input type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Absent
John DeFrancesco	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Vote Totals	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Aye	<input type="radio"/> No	Abstain	Absent
Result				

Mayor

CITY OF RENSSELAER

LOCAL LAW NO. 2 OF THE YEAR 2021.

**A Local Law to Amend Title IV,
Section 80, Paragraph 23 of the
Charter of the City of Rensselaer, New
York, Relative to General Legislative
Powers of the Common Council**

Be it enacted by the Common Council of the City of Rensselaer as follows:

ARTICLE I. INTENT

This Local Law shall be known as Local Law No. 2 of 2021, and shall amend Title IV, Section 80, Paragraph 23 of the Charter of the City of Rensselaer, New York, relating to General Legislative Powers of the Common Council. This Local Law amends and supersedes all previously adopted Local Laws concerning such Paragraph of such Section of the Charter of the City of Rensselaer. The purpose of this Local Law is to specify that all employees of the City of Rensselaer are required to cooperate with and assist the Members of the City of Rensselaer Common Council in the performance of their duties as Common Council Members.

ARTICLE II. LEGISLATIVE ACTION

The Common Council of the City of Rensselaer, New York, hereby amends Title IV, Section 80, Paragraph 23 of the Charter of the City of Rensselaer, New York, so as to read as follows:

1. To manage and regulate the finances; to regulate, dispose and preserve the property, real and personal, of the city, except as otherwise provided in this Act; to perform such other and further duties and to confer such other and further powers and authority upon the several officers, boards and commissions of the city, as they deem proper to perform and execute all the powers, duties and authority conferred upon the Common Council by any of the provisions of this Act and provided for the carrying into effect thereof. It is specifically required that all Employees of the City of Rensselaer cooperate with and assist the Members of the City of Rensselaer Common Council in the performance of their duties as Common Council Members.



MICHAEL STAMMEL
MAYOR

CITY OF RENSSELAER

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January 11, 2021

City Clerk
City Hall
62 Washington Street
Rensselaer, New York 12144

RE: Veto Message

Dear Clerk,

Pursuant to the Rensselaer City Charter, Section 67, I hereby veto Resolution No. 2, a Resolution to Approve Proposed Local Law No. 2 Of 2021, passed by the Common Council at the January 6, 2021 Meeting.

I object to such Resolution in that I believe such Resolution should require a Charter change by Mandatory Referendum pursuant to Section 23 of the New York State Municipal Home Rule Law in that the proposed Local Law if approved will transfer or curtail the power of an elected officer, the Mayor, all contrary to law without passage pursuant to Mandatory Referendum so as to be legally effective. I stand ready to work with the Common Council on addressing the needs of the residents of the City of Rensselaer as they relate to the subject matter of the vetoed Resolution.

Thank you for your kind attention and assistance.

Respectfully,

Michael Stammel
Mayor

By Alderperson : _____ COUNCIL AS A WHOLE _____

Seconded by Alderperson : _____

#2

A RESOLUTION TO OVERRIDE VETO OF MAYOR OF PRIOR RESOLUTION NUMBER 3 ADOPTED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL ON JANUARY 6, 2021; " A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE PROPOSED LOCAL LAW NO.3 OF 2021 AS TO FORM AND SCHEDULING A PUBLIC HEARING THEREON"

WHEREAS, The Common Council of the City of Rensselaer adopted Resolution Number 3 on January 6, 2021 titled " A Resolution to Approve Proposed Local Law 3 of 2021 as to form and Scheduling a Public Hearing Thereon", and

WHEREAS, the City Common Council having been advised that the Mayor returned a veto message to the City Clerk concerning the aforementioned Resolution, and the City Common Council having now carefully reconsidered such Resolution Number 3, a copy of which is attached hereto, and

WHEREAS, the City Common Council being advised that any veto override requires a 2/3 vote of the Common Council, and

WHEREAS, the City Common Council believes Resolution Number 3 adopted on January 6, 2021 is appropriate as to form and substance, and that passage of such Resolution over the veto of the Mayor is in the best interests of the City of Rensselaer, and good cause existing therefore,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the attached Resolution Number 3 previously adopted by the Common Council on January 6, 2021, is hereby readopted over the veto of the Mayor, pursuant to Section 67 of the City Charter.

Approved as to form and sufficiency
this _____ day of _____, 2021

James Van Vorst	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent	_____ Corporation Counsel
Dave Gardner	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent	
Bryan Leahey	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent	
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John DeFrancesco	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent	
Vote Totals	6 Aye	0 No	Abstain	1 Absent	
Result	PASSED				

#3

By Alderperson : Council as a Whole
Seconded by Alderperson : _____

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE PROPOSED LOCAL LAW NO. 3 OF 2021 AS TO FORM AND SCHEDULING A PUBLIC HEARING THEREON

WHEREAS, the City of Rensselaer is desirous of establishing a Local Law to Amend Title II, Section 11 of the City Charter to include an additional qualification for eligibility to hold an elective office in the City of Rensselaer; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council has reviewed proposed Local Law No.3 of the year 2021, attached hereto; and

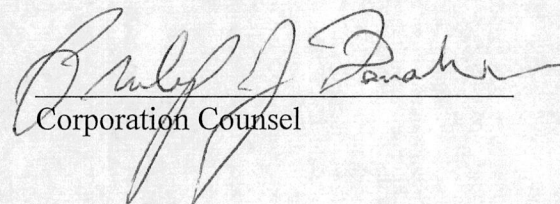
WHEREAS, such Local Law appears appropriate as to form and it appearing appropriate for a Public Hearing to be scheduled so as to consider public comments on such proposed Local Law.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IS RESOLVED, that proposed Local Law No. 3 of the year 2021 is hereby approved as to form; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a Public Hearing will be held at 7:00 pm on January 20, 2021 at the City Hall of the City of Rensselaer located at 62 Washington Street, Rensselaer, New York, so as to the allow the Common Council to hear Public Comment on proposed Local Law No.1 of 2021; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to issue appropriate Public Notice of the Public Hearing scheduled herein.

Approved as to form and sufficiency
this 7th day of January, 2021


Corporation Counsel

Mayor

James Van Vorst	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Dave Gardner	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
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John DeFrancesco	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Vote Totals	<u>6</u> Aye	<u>0</u> No	Abstain	Absent
Result				



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Thank you for your kind attention and assistance.

Respectfully,

Michael Stammel
Mayor

Local Law Filing

(Use this form to file a local law with the Secretary of State.)

Text of law should be given as amended. Do not include matter being eliminated and do not use italics or underlining to indicate new matter.

County City Town Village
(Select one:)

of Rensselaer

Local Law No. 3 of the year 20²¹

A local law To Amend Article II, Section 11 of the City Charter to Include an Additional Qualification
(Insert Title)
for Eligibility to Hold an Elective Office.

Be it enacted by the Common Council of the
(Name of Legislative Body)

County City Town Village
(Select one:)

of Rensselaer

as follows:

1. No person shall be eligible to hold an elective office in the City of Rensselaer while at the same time holding any elective office of the County of Rensselaer or the State of New York.
2. This qualification shall be in addition to, but not in substitution of any other qualification to hold a City of Rensselaer elective office required by any State or Local law.
3. This local law shall become effective immediately upon filing the same with the Secretary of State of New York.

#3

By Alderperson : COUNCIL AS A WHOLE
Seconded by Alderperson : _____

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE LOCAL LAW NO. 1 OF 2021

WHEREAS, The City of Rensselaer is desirous of amending Title VII, Sections 160, 161 and 162 of the Charter of the City of Rensselaer, New York, relative to Assessment and Levy of Taxes so as to bring such provisions into conformity with the Laws of the State of New York, and

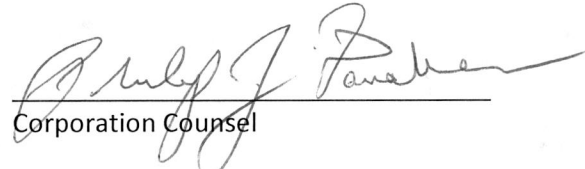
WHEREAS, the Common Council has reviewed proposed Local Law No. 1 of the year 2021, and

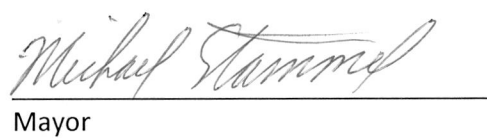
WHEREAS, such Local Law appears appropriate as to form and substance, and a Public Hearing having been conducted so as to consider public comments on such proposed legislation,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that proposed Local Law No. 1 of the year 2021 is hereby approved, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to file a certified copy of such Local Law with the Office of the New York State Secretary of State.

Approved as to form and sufficiency
this 28th day of JANUARY, 2021


Corporation Counsel


Mayor

James Van Vorst	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Dave Gardner	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Bryan Leahey	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
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John DeFrancesco	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Vote Totals	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Abstain	1 Absent
Result	PASSED			

CITY OF RENSSELAER

LOCAL LAW NO. 1 OF THE YEAR 2021.

A Local Law to Amend Title VII,
Sections 160, 161 and 162 of the
Charter of the City of Rensselaer, New
York, Relative to Assessment and
Levy of Taxes

Be it enacted by the Common Council of the City of Rensselaer as follows:

ARTICLE I. INTENT

This Local Law shall be known as Local Law No. 1 of 2021, and shall amend Title VII, Sections 160, 161 and 162 of the Charter of the City of Rensselaer, New York, relating to Assessment and Levy of Taxes. This Local Law amends and supersedes all previously adopted Local Laws concerning such Sections of the Charter of the City of Rensselaer. The purpose of this Local Law is to update such Sections of the City Charter so as to be in conformity with the Laws of the State of New York.

ARTICLE II. LEGISLATIVE ACTION

The Common Council of the City of Rensselaer, New York, hereby amends Title VII, Sections 160, 161 and 162 of the Charter of the City of Rensselaer, New York, so as to read as follows:

§ 160. Tax Map.

Pursuant to New York State Real Property Tax Law, Section 503, It shall be the duty of the County of Rensselaer, to prepare and maintain an Official Tax Map for the City of Rensselaer, and provide copies of same to the City Assessor. Every deed or other instrument whereby the ownership of real property within the city shall be changed shall, after the same is recorded by the County Clerk of the County of Rensselaer, be presented by the County to the City Assessor, who shall, without fee, note the transfer of title upon the records of the City Assessor. Every map or plot or subdivision map or plot of real property within the city showing a subdivision of such land into blocks or lots shall be filed in the office of the County Clerk of Rensselaer County, and a copy thereof filed in the office of the City Assessor and the office of the City Clerk. Any

reference to the lot, block, section or other identification numbers of any parcel of real property on the Tax Map shall be deemed sufficient description of such parcel in any assessment roll or in any notice relating to the assessment thereof.

§ 161. Taxable status date.

The taxable status of real property in the city shall be determined annually as of the first day of March. All real property shall be assessed in the city according to its condition and ownership as of such date, in compliance with Article 3, § 302, Subdivision 1, of the New York State Real Property Tax Law.

§ 162. Assessment of county and city taxes.

On or before the first day of May in each year, the Assessor shall prepare an assessment roll of all parcels of real property in the city and forthwith give notice, as required by the Laws of the State of New York, that said roll has been completed and filed, and a copy of such assessment roll shall be also filed in the Office of the City Clerk, in addition to the office of the Assessor, and such roll may be seen and examined in the Office of the Assessor at such times and dates required pursuant to Section 526 of the New York State Real Property Law, and as scheduled by the City Assessor. The Board of Assessment Review will meet on the fourth Tuesday in May from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. to hear and determine complaints in relation to said assessment roll. Notice of the aforesaid times, dates and places shall be given by the Assessor on the City website and also by being published at least once in the official newspaper of the city at least 10 days before the fourth Tuesday in May in each year. The final assessment roll shall be filed on or before the first day of July in each year as per the Laws of the State of New York.

ARTICLE III. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Law shall take effect immediately upon its filing with the Office of the New York State Secretary of State.

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By Alderperson : COUNCIL AS A WHOLE

Seconded by Alderperson : _____

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE LOCAL LAW NO. 2 OF 2021

WHEREAS, The City of Rensselaer is desirous of amending Title IV, Section 80, Paragraph 23 of the Charter of the City of Rensselaer, New York, relative to General Legislative Powers of the Common Council, so as to require cooperation and assistance by City Employees to the Common Council Members in the performance of their duties as such Common Council Members, and

WHEREAS, the Common Council has reviewed proposed Local Law No. 2 of the year 2021, and

WHEREAS, such Local Law appears appropriate as to form and substance, and a Public Hearing having been conducted so as to consider public comments on such proposed legislation,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Local Law No. 2 of the year 2021 is hereby approved, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to file a certified copy of such Local Law with the Office of the New York State Secretary of State.

Approved as to form and sufficiency
this ____ day of _____, 2021

Corporation Counsel

Mayor

James Van Vorst	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Dave Gardner	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Bryan Leahey	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
James Casey	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Eric Endres	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Margaret Van Dyke	<input type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Absent
John DeFrancesco	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Vote Totals	6 Aye	0 No	0 Abstain	1 Absent
Result	PASSED			

CITY OF RENSSELAER

LOCAL LAW NO. 2 OF THE YEAR 2021.

**A Local Law to Amend Title IV,
Section 80, Paragraph 23 of the
Charter of the City of Rensselaer, New
York, Relative to General Legislative
Powers of the Common Council**

Be it enacted by the Common Council of the City of Rensselaer as follows:

ARTICLE I. INTENT

This Local Law shall be known as Local Law No. 2 of 2021, and shall amend Title IV, Section 80, Paragraph 23 of the Charter of the City of Rensselaer, New York, relating to General Legislative Powers of the Common Council. This Local Law amends and supersedes all previously adopted Local Laws concerning such Paragraph of such Section of the Charter of the City of Rensselaer. The purpose of this Local Law is to specify that all employees of the City of Rensselaer are required to cooperate with and assist the Members of the City of Rensselaer Common Council in the performance of their duties as Common Council Members.

ARTICLE II. LEGISLATIVE ACTION

The Common Council of the City of Rensselaer, New York, hereby amends Title IV, Section 80, Paragraph 23 of the Charter of the City of Rensselaer, New York, so as to read as follows:

1. To manage and regulate the finances; to regulate, dispose and preserve the property, real and personal, of the city, except as otherwise provided in this Act; to perform such other and further duties and to confer such other and further powers and authority upon the several officers, boards and commissions of the city, as they deem proper to perform and execute all the powers, duties and authority conferred upon the Common Council by any of the provisions of this Act and provided for the carrying into effect thereof. It is specifically required that all Employees of the City of Rensselaer cooperate with and assist the Members of the City of Rensselaer Common Council in the performance of their duties as Common Council Members.

By Alderperson : COUNCIL AS A WHOLE

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Seconded by Alderperson : _____

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE LOCAL LAW NO. 3 OF 2021

WHEREAS, the City of Rensselaer is desirous of establishing a Local Law to Amend Title II, Section 11 of the City Charter to include an additional qualification for eligibility to hold an elective office in the City of Rensselaer; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council has reviewed proposed Local Law No.3 of the year 2021, attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, such Local Law appears appropriate as to form and substance, and a Public Hearing having been conducted to consider public comments on such proposed Local Law.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IS RESOLVED, that proposed Local Law No. 3 of the year 2021 is hereby approved; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to file a certified copy of Such Local Law with the Office of the New York State Secretary of State.

Approved as to form and sufficiency
this _____ day of _____, 2021

Corporation Counsel

Mayor

James Van Vorst	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Dave Gardner	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
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Margaret Van Dyke	<input type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Absent
John DeFrancesco	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Vote Totals	10 Aye	0 No	Abstain	1 Absent
Result	PASSED			

Local Law Filing

(Use this form to file a local law with the Secretary of State.)

Text of law should be given as amended. Do not include matter being eliminated and do not use italics or underlining to indicate new matter.

County City Town Village
(Select one:)

of Rensselaer

Local Law No. 3 of the year 2021

A local law To Amend Article II, Section 11 of the City Charter to Include an Additional Qualification
(Insert Title)
for Eligibility to Hold an Elective Office.

Be it enacted by the Common Council of the
(Name of Legislative Body)

County City Town Village
(Select one:)

of Rensselaer

as follows:

1. No person shall be eligible to hold an elective office in the City of Rensselaer while at the same time holding any elective office of the County of Rensselaer or the State of New York.
2. This qualification shall be in addition to, but not in substitution of any other qualification to hold a City of Rensselaer elective office required by any State or Local law.
3. This local law shall become effective immediately upon filing the same with the Secretary of State of New York.

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By Alderperson:

COUNCIL AS A WHOLE

Seconded by Alderperson:

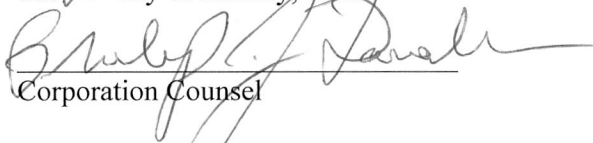
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT WITH SYSTEMS EAST, INC. FOR THE 2021 CALENDAR YEAR - CITY TREASURER

WHEREAS, the City Treasurer desires to utilize the services of Systems East, Inc. for the 2021 calendar year so as to provide software and software maintenance for tax collection related matters for the City of Rensselaer, and such Company having also provided such services for the City of Rensselaer since 2017, and a copy of the applicable 2021 contract being attached hereto, and the approval of such contract appearing to be in the best interest of the City of Rensselaer, and

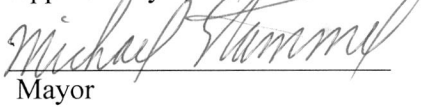
WHEREAS, good and valuable consideration being mutually offered and accepted between the Parties as set forth in the Agreement,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that on behalf of the City of Rensselaer, the 2021 Agreement is hereby approved, and the Mayor is authorized to execute such Agreement on behalf of the City of Rensselaer.

Approved as to form and sufficiency
this 28th day of January, 2021


Corporation Counsel

Approved by:


Mayor

James Van Vorst	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Dave Gardner	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
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Vote Totals	(1) Aye	(0) No	Abstain	1 Absent
Result	PASSED			