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AGENDA
REGULAR COMMON COUNCIL MEETING
DECEMBER 21, 2022

1. A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2022-2023 BUDGET-COMMON COUNCIL
2. A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE COMMON COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING SCHEDULE FOR 2023
3. A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF RESTORE NY COMMUNITY INITIATIVE MUNICIPAL GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION ON BEHALF OF MDMANUS HERRICK LLC/MCMANUS ELM LLC. ITS SUCCESSORS AND OR ASSSIGNS
4. A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE LOCAL LAW # 14 OF 2022
5. A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE LOCAL LAW #15 OF 2022
6. A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE LOCAL LAW # 1 OF 2023 AS TO FORM AND SCHEDULING A PUBLIC HEARING THEREON
7. A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2022-2023 SEWER BUDGET-COMMON COUNCIL

**CITY OF RENSSELAER
COMMON COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY EVENING
REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 21 2022**

THE COUNCIL CONVENED AT 7:01PM AND WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY PRESIDENT DEFRANCESCO.

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

PRESIDENT DEFRANCESCO

ALDERPERSON: VANVORST
DAMBROSE
LEAHEY
KRETZSCHMAR
ENDRES
BURTON

EXCUSED:

CITY OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:

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

COMMUNICATIONS: NONE

COMMUNICATIONS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS: NONE

CITY CLERK, NANCY E. HARDT, REPORTS THAT THE MAYOR HAS APPROVED ALL RESOLUTIONS PASSED AT THE LAST COUNCIL MEETING.

PRESENTATION OF ACCOUNTS:

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

VOTES TO WAIVE THE READING OF BILLS

AYES: VANVORST, DAMBROSE, LEAHEY, KRETZSCHMAR, ENDRES, BURTON AND DEFRANCESCO.

NOES:

PRESIDENT DEFRANCESCO DECLARED THIS MOTION DULY ADOPTED

ALDERPERSON LEAHEY 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: VANVORST, DAMBROSE, LEAHEY, KRETZSCHMAR, ENDRES, BURTON AND DEFRANCESCO.

NOES:

PRESIDENT DEFRANCESCO DECLARED THIS MOTION DULY ADOPTED

COMMITTEE & WARD REPORTS:

WARD#1

WARD#2 WISHES TO GIVE THANKS TO THE CLERKS OFFICE STAFF AND THE KIWANIS FOR A SUCCESSFUL CHRISTMAS IN THE ITY CELEBRATION

WARD#3 REITIERATES THE THANK YOU'S OF COUNCILPERSON DAMBROSE FOR A GREAT CHRISTMAS IN THE CITY EVENT. LOOKING INTO VACANT LOT IN THE 1100 BLOCK OF FIRST ST. MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL.

WARD#4 CROSSWALKS IN HIS WARD ALL OPERATIONAL. THANK YOU TO ALL WHO PARTICIPATED IN CHRISTMAS IN THE CITY, DECEMBER 30TH IS THE FIRE CHIEFS SWEARING IN CEREMONY, 1.8 MILLION BARNETTS MILL GRANT A SUCCESS.

WARD#5 EVERYONE DID A GREAT JOB AT THE CHRISTMAS IN THE CITY EVENT. MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL.

WARD#6 WISHES TO COMMEND THE DPW WITH PLOWING IN THE SIXTH WARD DURING THE LAST SNOWSTORM

COUNCIL PRESIDENT DEFRANCESCO: THANK YOU TO THE KIWANIS AND CITY CLERKS OFFICE FOR A GREAT CHRISTMAS IN THE CITY EVENT. LIVINGSTON AVENUE BRIDGE AND BARNETSS MILL PROJECT ARE A STEP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION.

BIDS: NONE

CLAIMS: NONE

PETITIONS: NONE

RESOLUTIONS:

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ALDERPERSON VANVORST TO ADJOURN AT 7:10PM AND SECONDED BY ALDERPERSON LEAHEY.

VOTES TO ADJOURN:

AYES: VANVORST, DAMBROSE, LEAHEY, KRETZSCHMAR, ENDRES, BURTON AND DEFRANCESCO.

NOES:

PRESIDENT DEFRANCESCO DECLARED THIS MOTION DULY ADOPTED.

NEXT MEETING: JANUARY 4, 2023

By Alderperson : Council as a Whole

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Seconded by Alderperson : _____

A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2022-2023 BUDGET – COMMON COUNCIL

WHEREAS, the Common Council wishes to fund certain contractual lines as follows to further the efficient running of City government.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Common Council for the City of Rensselaer hereby amends the 2022-2023 Adopted Budget as follows below,

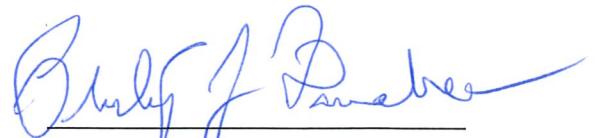
From	Account 1010. Contractual Services Common Council			
Line Item	Description	Present	Change	Revised
A.7440.	Contractual Services	\$113,666.22	(\$105.00)	\$113,561.22
A.7440.0006	Contractual Services-Admin Services	\$3,660.58	(\$153.33)	\$3,507.25
A.7440.0012	Contractual Services-Central Data Processing	\$30,951.36	(\$390.00)	\$30,561.36
A.7440.0011	Contractual Services-Police	\$32,128.74	(240.00)	\$31,888.74
	Totals:		(\$888.33)	

TO:	DEPARTMENTAL CONTRACTUAL SVCS. LINES			
Line Item	Description	Present	Change	Revised
A.1210.7440	Contractual Services-Mayor	\$1,536.00	\$105.00	\$1,641.00
A.1430.7440	Contractual Services-Admin Services	4,839.42	\$153.33	\$4,992.75
A.3120.7440	Contractual Services-Police	\$87,871.26	\$240.00	\$88,111.26
A.3410.7440	Contractual Services-Fire Dept	\$59,528.64	\$390.00	\$59,918.64
	TOTALS		\$888.33	

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, all bills related to the above reference transfers are approved for the immediate payment by the Common Council of the City of Rensselaer.

Approved as to form and sufficiency

This ^{27th} day of December, 2022


Corporation Counsel


Mayor

James Van Vorst	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Ernest K. Dambrose	<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	7 Aye	0 No	Abstain	Absent
Result	PASSED			

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By Alderperson : _____ COUNCIL AS A WHOLE _____

Seconded by Alderperson : _____

A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE COMMON COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING SCHEDULE FOR 2023 OF THE CITY OF RENNELAER COMMON COUNCIL

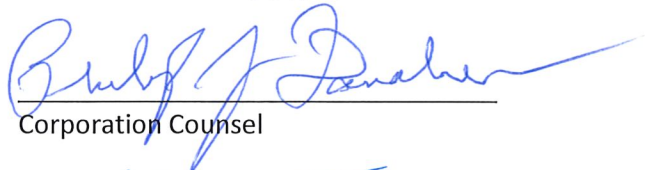
WHEREAS, pursuant to Title IV, Section 66 of the Charter of the City of Rensselaer, the Regular Common Council Meetings are scheduled for the first and third Wednesday evenings of each month, and

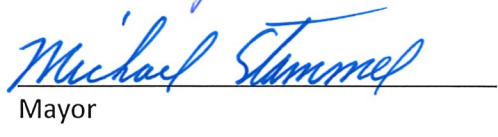
WHEREAS, it has been the practice of the Common Council to conduct Workshop Meetings at 6:30 pm on the Monday Evening before such Regular Meeting, and

WHEREAS, during Calendar Year 2023, certain Workshop Meeting Dates fall on Holidays and therefore should be moved to the Tuesday Evening before the Regularly Scheduled Wednesday Council Meeting, and the Common Council believes such changes are reasonable in nature and effect,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Common Council Workshop Meetings scheduled for 6:30 pm on Monday, January 2nd, January 16th and September 4th, 2023 shall be moved to 6:30 pm on Tuesday, January 3rd, January 17th and September 5th, 2023.

Approved as to form and sufficiency
this 21st day of December, 2022


Corporation Counsel


Mayor

James Van Vorst	<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	7 Aye	0 No	Abstain	Absent
Result	PASSED			

By Alderperson : COUNCIL AS A WHOLE

Seconded by Alderperson : _____

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF RESTORE NY COMMUNITIES INITIATIVE MUNICIPAL GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION ON BEHALF OF MCMANUS HERRICK LLC / MCMANUS ELM LLC, ITS SUCCESSORS AND /OR ASSIGNS

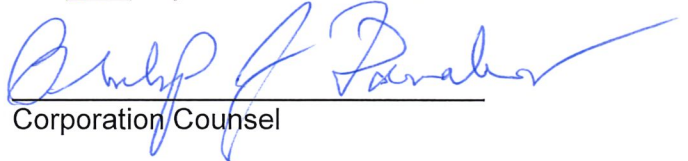
WHEREAS, McManus Herrick LLC / McManus Elm LLC, its successors and /or assigns, is submitting an application through the City of Rensselaer to participate in the Restore NY Communities Initiative Municipal Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, the proposed renovation of the former McManus School at 20 Herrick Street would greatly benefit the City of Rensselaer, and the City of Rensselaer community; and

WHEREAS, the City of Rensselaer hereby confirms the importance of such Project to the residents of the City of Rensselaer as well as the residents of our surrounding communities,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City of Rensselaer Common Council, that the entire City of Rensselaer community hereby formally supports the application on behalf of McManus Herrick LLC / McManus Elm LLC, its successors and /or assigns, to participate in the Restore NY Communities Initiative Municipal Grant Program.

Approved as to form and sufficiency this 21st day of December, 2022


Corporation Counsel

SO APPROVED!


Mayor

James Van Vorst	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
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Vote Totals	7 Aye	0 No	Abstain	Absent
Result	PASSED			

By Alderperson : COUNCIL AS A WHOLE

Seconded by Alderperson : _____

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE PROPOSED LOCAL LAW NO. 14 OF 2022

WHEREAS, The City of Rensselaer is desirous of amending Chapter 179 of the City Code of the City of Rensselaer, New York, more specifically, Article II, Section 179-12 of the Rensselaer City Code and the Zoning District Map Relating Thereto, so as to effectuate the Inclusion of the former St. Johns Academy Properties, by the adoption of proposed Local Law No. 14 of 2022, a copy of which is attached hereto, and

WHEREAS, the Common Council has reviewed proposed Local Law No. 14 of the year 2022, and the City of Rensselaer Planning Commission having completed SEQR Review of such Local Law and having issued a Negative Declaration relating thereto, and having further recommended adoption of such Local Law, 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 Local Law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that proposed Local Law No. 14 of the year 2022 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 21st day of December, 2022

Randy J. Tanabe
Corporation Counsel

So Approved!

Michael Stumm
Mayor

James Van Vorst	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
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Vote Totals	7 Aye	0 No	Abstain	Absent
Result	PASSED			

CITY OF RENSSELAER

LOCAL LAW NO. 14 OF THE YEAR 2022.

A Local Law to Amend Chapter 179, Article II, Section 179-12 of the Rensselaer City Code and the Zoning District Map Relating Thereto, Relative to the Inclusion of the former St. Johns Academy Properties

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. 14 of 2022, and shall amend Chapter 179, Article II, Section 179-12 of the Rensselaer City Code and the Zoning District Map relating thereto, relative to the inclusion of the former St. Johns Academy properties, 20 Herrick Street, tax map # 143.68-6-2 and 500 East Street, tax map # 143.68-3-12, in the MU-1 Downtown Mixed Use District. The purpose of this Local Law is to update Chapter 179, Article II, Section 179-12 of the Rensselaer City Code and the Zoning District Map relating thereto to address the change in circumstances since the last update to such Section and Zoning District Map in 2012 made by the adoption of Local Law No. 1 of 2012.

ARTICLE II. LEGISLATIVE ACTION

The Common Council of the City of Rensselaer, New York, hereby amends Chapter 179, Article II, Section 179-12 of the Rensselaer City Code and the Zoning District Map relating thereto, so as to include in the MU-1 Downtown Mixed Use District the former St. Johns Academy properties, 20 Herrick Street, tax map # 143.68-6-2 and 500 East Street, tax map # 143.68-3-12, in that at the time of the last update to such Section and Zoning District Map relating thereto in 2012, made by the adoption of Local Law No. 1 of 2012, such properties were classified as Religious Exempt and are now best suited for Mixed Use designation.

ARTICLE III. EFFECTIVE DATE

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

1. (Final adoption by local legislative body only.)

I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as Local Law No. of 202 of the City of Rensselaer was duly passed by the Common Council on _____, 202 , in accordance with the applicable provisions of law.

2. (Passage by local legislative body with approval, no disapproval or repassage after disapproval by Elective Chief Executive Officer*.)

I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as Local Law No.14 of 2022 of the City of Rensselaer was duly passed by the Common Council on _____, 2022, and was (approved)(not approved) (repassed after disapproval) by the Elective Chief Executive Officer*, Mayor Michael Stammel, and was deemed duly adopted on _____, 2022.

3. (Final adoption by referendum.)

I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as Local Law No. ____ of 202 ____ of the City of Rensselaer was duly passed by the _____ on _____, 200__, and was (approved)(not approved)(repassed after disapproval) by the Elective Chief Executive Officer*, _____ on _____, 200___. Such Local Law was submitted to the people by reason of a (mandatory)(permissive) referendum, and received the affirmative vote of a majority of the qualified electors voting thereon at the (general)(special)(annual) election held on _____, 200__, in accordance with the applicable provisions of law.

4. (Subject to permissive referendum and final adoption because no valid petition was filed requesting referendum.)

I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as Local Law No. of 202 of the City of Rensselaer was duly passed by the Common Council on _____, 202 , and was (approved)(not approved)(repassed after disapproval) by the Elective Chief Officer*, Mayor Michael Stammel, on _____, 202 . Such local law was subject to permissive referendum and no valid petition requesting such referendum was filed as of _____, 202 , in accordance with the applicable provisions of law.

5. (City local law concerning Charter revision proposed by petition.)

I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as Local Law No. ____ of 200__ of the City of _____ having been submitted to referendum pursuant to the provisions of section (36)(37) of the Municipal Home Rule Law, and having received the affirmative vote of a majority of the qualified electors of such city voting thereon at the (special)(general) election held on _____, 200__, became operative.

* Elective Chief Officer means or includes the chief executive officer of a county elected on a county-wide basis or, if there be none, the chairperson of the county legislative body, the mayor of a city or village, or the supervisor of a town where such officer is vested with the power to approve or veto local laws or ordinances.

6. (County local law concerning adoption of Charter.)

I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as local law No. _____ of 200__ of the County of _____ State of New York, having been submitted to the electors at the General Election of November ____, 200 ____, pursuant to subdivisions 5 and 7 of section 33 of the Municipal Home Rule Law, and having received the affirmative vote of a majority of the qualified electors of the cities of said county as a unit and a majority of the qualified electors of the towns of said county considered as a unit voting at said general election, became operative.

(If any other authorized form of final adoption has been followed, please provide an appropriate certification.)

I further certify that I have compared the preceding local law with the original on file in this office and that the same is a correct transcript therefrom and of the whole of such original local law, and was finally adopted in the manner indicated in paragraph 1, above.

Clerk of the County Legislative Body, City, Town or Village
Clerk or officer designated by local legislative body
CITY CLERK

(Seal)

Date: _____

(Certification to be executed by County Attorney, Corporation Counsel, Town Attorney, Village Attorney or other authorized attorney of locality.)

State of New York
County of Rensselaer

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that the foregoing Local Law contains the correct text and that all proper proceedings have been had or taken for the enactment of the Local Law annexed hereto.

Corporation Counsel
Title

CITY OF: RENSELAER

Date: _____

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By Alderperson : COUNCIL AS A WHOLE

Seconded by Alderperson : _____

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE LOCAL LAW NO. 15 OF 2022

WHEREAS, the City of Rensselaer is desirous of establishing a Local Law to Amend Title IV, Section 75 of the City Charter to update the procedures for Awarding of Contracts so as to match the provisions of Section 103 of the New York State General Municipal Law; and

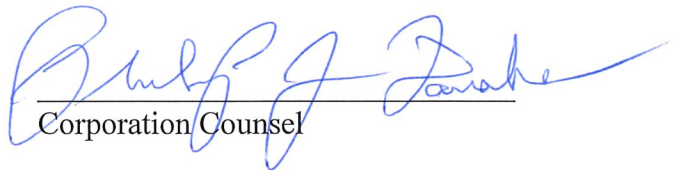
WHEREAS, the Common Council has reviewed proposed Local Law No. 15 of the year 2022, attached hereto; and

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. 15 of the year 2022 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 21st day of December, 2022


Corporation Counsel


Mayor

James Van Vorst	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
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Vote Totals	7 Aye	0 No	Abstain	Absent
Result	PASSED			

CITY OF RENSSELAER

LOCAL LAW NO. 15 OF THE YEAR 2022.

**A Local Law to Amend Title IV, Section 75, of the
Charter of the City of Rensselaer, New York,
Relative to Awarding of Contracts**

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. 15 of 2022, and shall amend Title IV, Section 75, of the Charter of the City of Rensselaer, New York, relating to Awarding of Contracts. This Local Law amends and supersedes all previously adopted Local Laws concerning such Awarding of Contracts by the City of Rensselaer. The purpose of this Local Law is to update Section 75 of the City Charter to coincide with the updated amounts contained in Section 103 of the New York State General Municipal Law. The intent of this Local Law is to have Section 75 of the City Charter match, on an ongoing basis, the amounts currently, and as increased in the future, in Section 103 of the New York State General Municipal Law.

ARTICLE II. LEGISLATIVE ACTION

The Common Council of the City of Rensselaer, New York, hereby amends Title IV, Section 75, of the Charter of the City of Rensselaer, New York, so as to read as follows:

§ 75. Awarding of contracts.

1. All contracts for public work involving an expenditure of more than \$35,000 and all purchase contracts involving an expenditure of more than \$20,000 shall be awarded by the Common Council to the lowest responsible bidder furnishing the required security after advertisement for sealed bids in the manner provided by this section. In cases where two or more responsible bidders furnishing the required security submit identical bids as to price, the Common Council may award the contract to any of such bidders. The Common Council may, in its discretion, reject all bids and re-advertise for new bids in the manner provided by this section. The monetary thresholds contained in this section shall automatically be increased to match the thresholds contained in New York State General Municipal Law Section 103 as such State law is updated in the future.

2. Advertisement for bids shall be published in an official newspaper and shall contain a statement of the time and place where all bids received pursuant to such notice will be publicly opened and read. All bids received shall be publicly opened and read at the time and place so specified. At least five days shall elapse between the first publication of such advertisement and the date so specified for the opening and reading of bids.
3. Upon the adoption of a resolution by a vote of at least $2/3$ of all the members of the Common Council stating that, for reasons of efficiency or economy, there is need for standardization, purchase contracts for a particular type or kind of equipment, material or supplies of more than \$20,000 may be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder furnishing the required security after advertisement for sealed bids therefor in the manner provided in this section. Such resolution shall contain a full explanation of the reasons for its adoption. The monetary threshold contained in this section shall automatically be increased to match the threshold contained in New York State General Municipal Law Section 103 as such State law is updated in the future.

ARTICLE III. EFFECTIVE DATE

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

1. (Final adoption by local legislative body only.)

I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as Local Law No. _____ of 2022 of the City of Rensselaer was duly passed by the Common Council on _____ 2022, in accordance with the applicable provisions of law.

2. (Passage by local legislative body with approval, no disapproval or repassage after disapproval by Elective Chief Executive Officer*.)

I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as Local Law No. 15 of 2022 of the City of Rensselaer was duly passed by the Common Council on _____, 2022, and was (approved)(not approved) (repassed after disapproval) by the Elective Chief Executive Officer*, Mayor Michael Stammel, and was deemed duly adopted on _____, 2022.

3. (Final adoption by referendum.)

I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as Local Law No. _____ of 20____ of the City of Rensselaer was duly passed by the _____ on _____, 20____, and was (approved)(not approved)(repassed after disapproval) by the Elective Chief Executive Officer*, _____ on _____, 20____. Such Local Law was submitted to the people by reason of a (mandatory)(permissive) referendum, and received the affirmative vote of a majority of the qualified electors voting thereon at the (general)(special)(annual) election held on _____, 20____, in accordance with the applicable provisions of law.

4. (Subject to permissive referendum and final adoption because no valid petition was filed requesting referendum.)

I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as Local Law No. _____ of 20 of the City of Rensselaer was duly passed by the Common Council on _____, 20, and was (approved)(not approved)(repassed after disapproval) by the Elective Chief Officer*, Mayor Michael Stammel, on _____, 20. Such local law was subject to permissive referendum and no valid petition requesting such referendum was filed as of _____, 20, in accordance with the applicable provisions of law.

5. (City local law concerning Charter revision proposed by petition.)

I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as Local Law No. _____ of 20____ of the City of _____ having been submitted to referendum pursuant to the provisions of section (36)(37) of the Municipal Home Rule Law, and having received the affirmative vote of a majority of the qualified electors of such city voting thereon at the (special)(general) election held on _____, 20____, became operative.

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I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as local law No. _____ of 20____ of the County of _____ State of New York, having been submitted to the electors at the General

Election of November _____, 20____, pursuant to subdivisions 5 and 7 of section 33 of the Municipal Home Rule Law, and having received the affirmative vote of a majority of the qualified electors of the cities of said county as a unit and a majority of the qualified electors of the towns of said county considered as a unit voting at said general election, became operative.

(If any other authorized form of final adoption has been followed, please provide an appropriate certification.)

I further certify that I have compared the preceding local law with the original on file in this office and that the same is a correct transcript therefrom and of the whole of such original local law, and was finally adopted in the manner indicated in paragraph 1, above.

(Seal)

Clerk of the County Legislative Body, City, Town or Village
Clerk or officer designated by local legislative body
CITY CLERK

Date: _____

(Certification to be executed by County Attorney, Corporation Counsel, Town Attorney, Village Attorney or other authorized attorney of locality.)

State of New York
County of Rensselaer

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that the foregoing Local Law contains the correct text and that all proper proceedings have been had or taken for the enactment of the Local Law annexed hereto.

Corporation Counsel
Title

CITY OF: **RENSSELAER**

Date: _____

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By Alderperson : COUNCIL AS A WHOLE

Seconded by Alderperson : _____

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE PROPOSED LOCAL LAW NO. 1 OF 2023 AS TO FORM AND SCHEDULING A PUBLIC HEARING THEREON

WHEREAS, the City of Rensselaer is desirous of establishing a Local Law to Amend Title IV, Section 75 of the City Charter to update the procedures for Awarding of Contracts so as to match the provisions of Section 103 of the New York State General Municipal Law as to Best Value Procurement; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council has reviewed proposed Local Law No. 1 of the year 2023, 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.

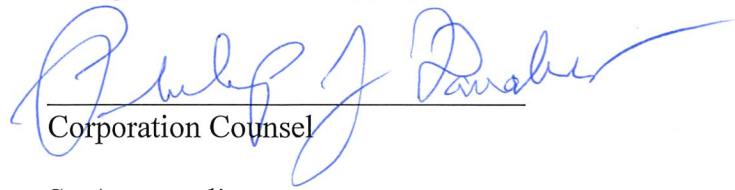
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IS RESOLVED, that proposed Local Law No. 1 of the year 2023 is hereby approved as to form; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a Public Hearing will be held at 6:30 pm on January 4, 2023, 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 2023; 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 21st day of December, 2022

James Van Vorst	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Ernest K. Dambrose	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
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Vote Totals	7 Aye	0 No	Abstain	Absent
Result	PASSED			


Corporation Counsel

So Approved!


Mayor

CITY OF RENSSELAER

LOCAL LAW NO. / OF THE YEAR 2023.

A Local Law to Amend Title IV, Section 75, of the
Charter of the City of Rensselaer, New York,
Relative to the Creation and Inclusion a Best Value
Competitive Bidding Law

Be it enacted by the Common Council of the City of Rensselaer, a local law as follows:

Section 1

Article 1 Best Value Procurement

1. Title. This article shall be known as "The City of Rensselaer Best Value Competitive Bidding Law."

2. Legislative intent. New York State General Municipal Law Section 103(1) allows the City to authorize, by local law, the award of certain purchase contracts, including contracts for service work subject to competitive bidding under General Municipal Law Section 103 on the basis of "best value" as defined in Section 163 of the New York State Finance Law or any state law superseding or amending said provision. The best value option may be used, for example, if it is more cost efficient over time to award the good or service to other than the lowest responsible bidder or offerer if factors such as lower cost of maintenance, durability, higher quality and longer product life can be documented.

3. Best value. The Common Council may award purchase contracts after bidding, including contracts for services work, on the basis of "best value," as that term is defined in New York State Finance Law Section 163. All awards based on best value shall require Common Council approval.

4. Applicability. The provisions of this article apply to City purchase contracts (including contracts for service work, but excluding any purchase contracts necessary for the completion of a public works contract pursuant to Article 8 of the New York State Labor Law) and any other contract that may in the future be excluded under state law from the best value option. If the dollar thresholds of New York General Municipal Law Section 103 are increased or decreased in the future by the State Legislature, the dollar thresholds applicable herein shall be deemed simultaneously amended to match the new General Municipal Law thresholds.

5. Standards for best value. Goods and services procured and awarded on the basis of best

value are those that the Common Council determines optimize quality, cost and efficiency, among responsive and responsible bidders or offerers. The determination shall be based on an objective analysis of clearly described and documented criteria as they apply to the rating of bids of offers. Where possible, such determination shall also be based upon and include a quantifiable analysis of the same. The criteria may include, but shall not be limited to, any or all of the following: cost of maintenance, proximity to the end use, if distance or response time is a significant term; durability, availability of replacement parts or maintenance contractors; longer product life; product performance criteria; and quality of craftsmanship.

6. Basis for determination. Whenever any contract is awarded on the basis of best value instead of lowest responsible bidder, the basis for determining best value shall be thoroughly and accurately documented.

7. Inconsistent provisions. This local law is incorporated by reference into the City of Rensselaer Procurement Policy. Any inconsistent provisions of the City's procurement policy, as adopted prior to the effective date of this article by resolution of the Common Council, or as amended thereafter, shall be deemed superseded by the provisions of this article.

Section 2 EFFECTIVE DATE

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

1. (Final adoption by local legislative body only.)

I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as Local Law No. ____ of 202 of the City of Rensselaer was duly passed by the Common Council on _____ 202, in accordance with the applicable provisions of law.

2. (Passage by local legislative body with approval, no disapproval or repassage after disapproval by Elective Chief Executive Officer*.)

I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as Local Law No. of 2023 of the City of Rensselaer was duly passed by the Common Council on _____, 2023, and was (approved)(not approved) (repassed after disapproval) by the Elective Chief Executive Officer*, Mayor Michael Stammel, and was deemed duly adopted on _____, 2023.

3. (Final adoption by referendum.)

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4. (Subject to permissive referendum and final adoption because no valid petition was filed requesting referendum.)

I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as Local Law No. of 20 of the City of Rensselaer was duly passed by the Common Council on _____, 20, and was (approved)(not approved)(repassed after disapproval) by the Elective Chief Officer*, Mayor Michael Stammel, on _____, 20. Such local law was subject to permissive referendum and no valid petition requesting such referendum was filed as of _____, 20 , in accordance with the applicable provisions of law.

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Clerk of the County Legislative Body, City, Town or Village
Clerk or officer designated by local legislative body
CITY CLERK

(Seal)

Date: _____

(Certification to be executed by County Attorney, Corporation Counsel, Town Attorney, Village Attorney or other authorized attorney of locality.)

State of New York
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Corporation Counsel
Title

CITY OF: RENSSELAER

Date: _____

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By Alderperson : Council as a Whole

Seconded by Alderperson : _____

A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2022-2023 BUDGET – COMMON COUNCIL


WHEREAS, the Common Council wishes to move funds from the MS4 Compliance Line to the Contingency Line so as to further the efficient running of City government, and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Common Council for the City of Rensselaer hereby amends the 2022-2023 Adopted Budget as follows:

Fund	Sewer			
Line Item	Description	Present	Change	Revised
8120.7459	MS4 Compliance	\$15,000.00	(\$6,000.00)	\$9,000.00
1900.7448	Contingent	-0-	\$6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00
	Totals:		\$0.00	

Approved as to form and sufficiency
This 21st day of December, 2022

James Van Vorst	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
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Result	PASSED			


Corporation Counsel


Mayor