

**CITY OF RENSSELAER  
COMMON COUNCIL MEETING  
MONDAY EVENING  
SPECIAL YEAR END MEETING  
DECEMBER 30, 2024**

THE COUNCIL CONVENED AT 6:40PM AND WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY PRESIDENT DEFRANCESCO.

PUBLIC SPEAKERS: NONE

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

**ALDERPERSON:** VANVORST  
DAMBROSE  
LEAHEY  
KRETZSCHMAR  
ENDRES  
BURTON

**EXCUSED:**

**CITY OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:** POLICE CHIEF WARREN FAMIGLIETTI, DEPUTY POLICE CHIEF JOHN MOONEY, JR., CITY COMPTROLLER MAURINE FOWLER, PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSIONER JIM BRADY

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

**COMMUNICATIONS: NONE**

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS: NONE**

*CITY CLERK, NANCY E. HARDT, REPORTS THAT RESOLUTIONS #15, 16, AND 18 WERE PASSED BY OPERATION OF LAW FROM THE DECEMBER 18, 2024 COUNCIL MEETING AND ALL OTHER RESOLUTIONS WERE SIGNED BY THE MAYOR.*

**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, BURTON AND ENDRES.

**NOES:**

PRESIDENT DEFRANCESCO DECLARED THIS MOTION DULY ADOPTED

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

VOTES TO ACCEPT THE BILLS AND PAYROLL:

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

**NOES:**

PRESIDENT DEFRANCESCO DECLARED THIS MOTION DULY ADOPTED

**COMMITTEE & WARD REPORTS:**

**WARD#1**

**WARD#2** ALDERPERSON DAMBROSE HAS A REQUEST BY A RESIDENT ON ELM ST. FOR ASSISTANCE WITH AN EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT INVOLVING A FOOD DISTRIBUTION PROJECT AND IS SEEKING DIRECTION IN SETTING THIS UP.

**WARD#3**

**WARD#4** ALDERPERSON KRETZSCHMAR WISHES RESIDENTS A HAPPY NEW YEAR

**WARD#5**

**WARD#6**

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT DEFRANCESCO:**

**BIDS: NONE**

**CLAIMS: NONE**

**PETITIONS: NONE**

**RESOLUTIONS: THERE WERE 8 RESOLUTIONS ON THE AGENDA THIS EVENING.**

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ALDERPERSON ENDRES AND SECONDED BY ALDERPERSON BURTON TO AMEND THE AGENDA TO ADD RESOLUTION #9 "A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE DISBURSEMENT OF FUNDS UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT"

**AYES:** VANVORST, DAMBROSE, LEAHEY, KRETZSCHMAR, ENDRES, BURTON

**NOES:**

PRESIDENT DEFRANCESCO DECLARED THIS MOTION DULY ADOPTED.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ALDERPERSON VANVORST TO ADJOURN AT 6:48PM AND SECONDED BY ALDERPERSON ENDRES.

VOTES TO ADJOURN:

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

**NOES:**

PRESIDENT DEFRANCESCO DECLARED THIS MOTION DULY ADOPTED.

NEXT MEETING: JANUARY 15, 2025



**NANCY E. HARDT**  
*City Clerk*

# CITY OF RENSSELAER

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**THE CITY CLERK**  
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62 WASHINGTON STREET  
RENSSELAER, NEW YORK 12144

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## AGENDA YEAR END COMMON COUNCIL MEETING DECEMBER 30, 2024

1. A RESOLUTION APPROVING MEMORIAL SERVICE IN HONOR OF CW2 CASEY N. FRANKOSKI FOR HER SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY
2. RESOLUTION DESIGNATING CITY NEWSPAPER 2025
3. A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE ANNUAL REVIEW OF CODE OF ETHICS 2025
4. A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE INVESTMENT POLICY 2025
5. A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE PERSONNEL POLICIES 2025
6. A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE SEXUAL HARASSMENT POLICY 2025
7. RESOLUTION APPROVING MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT FOR EMPLOYEES AND OFFICERS OF THE CITY OF RENSSELAER UNDER IRS GUIDELINES
8. A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING JAG REIMBURSABLE GRANT AWARD – POLICE DEPARTMENT

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ALDERPERSON ENDRES AND SECONDED BY ALDERPERSON BURTON TO AMEND THE AGENDA TO ADD RESOLUTION #9 "A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE DISBURSEMENT OF FUNDS UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT"  
THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

9. A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE DISBURSEMENT OF FUNDS UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT

By Alderperson : \_\_\_\_\_ **COUNCIL AS A WHOLE** \_\_\_\_\_

#1

Seconded by Alderperson : \_\_\_\_\_

**RESOLUTION APPROVING A MEMORIAL SERVICE IN HONOR OF CW2 CASEY N. FRANKOSKI  
FOR HER SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Rensselaer Common Council has been advised that through the efforts of our Governor, Kathy Hochul, our New York State Assemblyman, John McDonald, and our New York State Senator, Jake Ashby, a Bill has been passed through the New York State Assembly and Senate, and signed into law, renaming the bridge on Washington Avenue over New York State Interstate 90, in honor of CW2 Casey N. Frankoski, and

**WHEREAS**, Casey Frankoski served our country with great energy, commitment, and valor. Casey loved serving our country and loved life in general. Her death leaves a hole in the hearts of many and it is hoped that the dedication of the CW2 Casey N. Frankoski bridge provides comfort to the loved ones left behind. Additionally let this dedication serve as an inspiration to those that will pass under and over that bridge every day to encourage all to step up and serve our country, work to make our democracy even stronger, respecting others views, and working towards common ground, and

**WHEREAS**, a Memorial Service is hereby approved to be conducted at Noon on January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at the North End Station Fire House to honor the formal dedication of the bridge in honor of CW2 Casey N. Frankoski; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Common Council for the City of Rensselaer hereby proudly approves and ratifies the Memorial Service and Dedication as set forth above.

Approved as to Form and Sufficiency  
this 30th day of December, 2024

*Philip J. Danaher*  
Corporation Counsel

Approved By:

*Michael Stammel*  
Mayor

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By Alderperson:

Council As A Whole

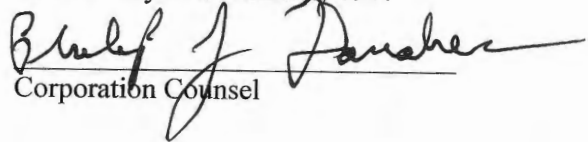
Seconded by Alderperson:

### RESOLUTION DESIGNATING CITY NEWSPAPER 2025

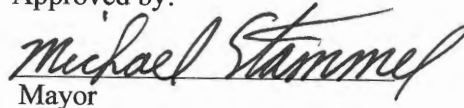
WHEREAS, the City of Rensselaer is desirous of designating the Troy Record as its official newspaper for the publication of City Notices, Legal Notices, and other publications necessary in conducting its official business, and the Advertiser as the back-up official newspaper for the City should the services of two newspapers be required or should the Troy Record be unavailable to provide services to the City of Rensselaer,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Troy Record be designated as the Official Newspaper of the City of Rensselaer, and the Advertiser as the back-up official newspaper, for the 2025 Calendar Year.

Approved as to form and sufficiency  
this 30<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2024

  
Corporation Counsel

Approved by:

  
Mayor

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| Result               | PASSED                                  |                             |                                  |                                 |

# 3

By Alderperson : COUNCIL AS A WHOLE

Seconded by Alderperson : \_\_\_\_\_

**A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE ANNUAL REVIEW OF CODE OF ETHICS 2025**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Rensselaer Common Council is desirous of acknowledging its' annual duty to review, and update if applicable, the City of Rensselaer Code of Ethics; and

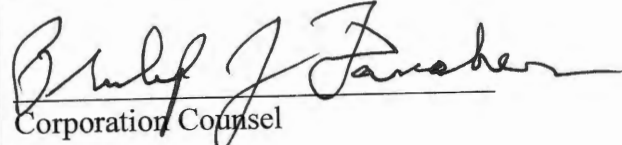
**WHEREAS**, the Common Council has reviewed the City of Rensselaer Code of Ethics; and

**WHEREAS**, such Code of Ethics appears appropriate as to form and substance.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IS RESOLVED**, that the existing Code of Ethics of the City of Rensselaer is readopted and approved in its current form.

Approved as to form and sufficiency  
this 30th day of December, 2024

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Corporation Counsel

So Approved!

  
Mayor

By Alderperson : COUNCIL AS A WHOLE

#4

Seconded by Alderperson : \_\_\_\_\_

### A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE INVESTMENT POLICY 2025

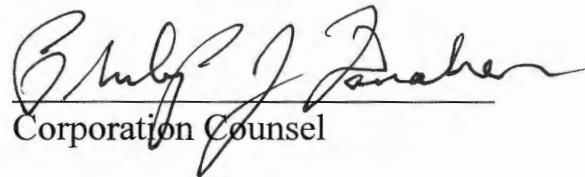
**WHEREAS**, New York State General Municipal Law Section 39, entitled "Investment Policies for Local Governments" states that "Each local government...shall by resolution adopt a comprehensive investment policy which details the local government's operative policy and instructions to officers and staff regarding the investing, monitoring and reporting of funds of the local government"; and

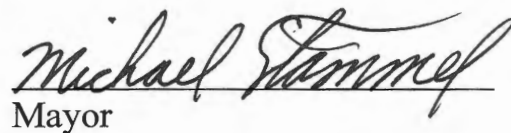
**WHEREAS**, the City of Rensselaer has written an Investment Policy in accordance with New York State requirements for review and re-adoption by the Rensselaer City Council, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Rensselaer City Council does hereby re-adopt for 2025 the Investment Policy for the City of Rensselaer in relation to the investment of public funds in accordance with New York State General Municipal Law § 39

Approved as to form and sufficiency  
this 30th day of December, 2024

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Corporation Counsel

  
Mayor

#5

By Alderperson : COUNCIL AS A WHOLE

Seconded by Alderperson : \_\_\_\_\_

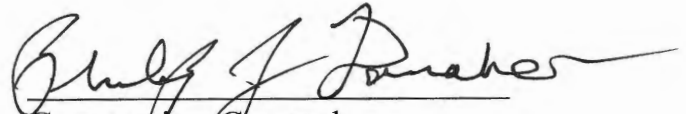
**A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE PERSONNEL POLICIES 2025**

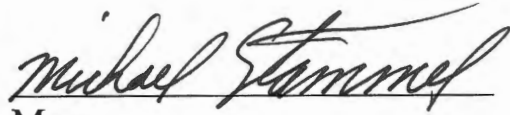
**WHEREAS**, Chapter 37 of the City Code of the City of Rensselaer requires Annual Review of the City Personnel Policies; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Rensselaer has written City Personnel Policies under City Code Chapter 37, and in accordance with New York State requirements for review and re-adoption of same by the Rensselaer City Council Annually, and a copy of such Policies being on file with the City Clerk, and same is incorporated herein by reference.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Rensselaer City Council does hereby re-adopt for 2025 the Personnel Policies for the City of Rensselaer.

Approved as to form and sufficiency  
This 30<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2024

  
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Corporation Counsel

  
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Mayor

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#6

By Alderperson : COUNCIL AS A WHOLE

Seconded by Alderperson : \_\_\_\_\_


**A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE SEXUAL HARASSMENT POLICY 2025**

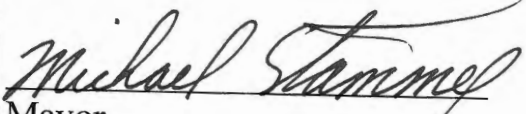
**WHEREAS**, the City Code of the City of Rensselaer requires Annual Review of the City Sexual Harassment Policy; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Rensselaer has written a City Sexual Harassment Policy in accordance with New York State requirements for review and re-adoption by the Rensselaer City Council Annually, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Rensselaer City Council does hereby re-adopt for 2025 the Sexual Harassment Policy for the City of Rensselaer.

Approved as to form and sufficiency  
this 30th day of December, 2025

  
Corporation Counsel

  
Mayor

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By Alderperson : COUNCIL AS A WHOLE

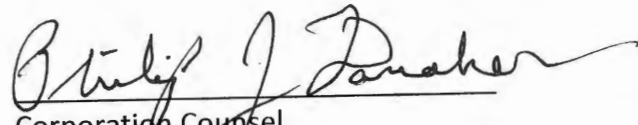
Seconded by Alderperson : \_\_\_\_\_

**RESOLUTION APPROVING MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT FOR EMPLOYEES AND OFFICERS OF THE CITY OF RENSSELAER UNDER IRS GUIDELINES**

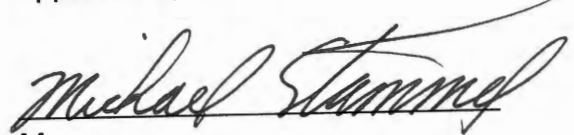
WHEREAS, the City of Rensselaer is desirous of reimbursing City Employees and Officers who use their own vehicle for performing City Business, at the rate of 70 cents per mile pursuant to the IRS Guideline Rate for 2025, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Common Council for the City of Rensselaer hereby approves mileage reimbursement for 2025 to City Employees and Officers who use their own vehicle for performing City Business at the IRS Guideline Rate of 70 cents per mile.

Approved as to Form and Sufficiency  
this 30<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2024

  
Corporation Counsel

Approved By:

  
Mayor

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By Alderperson : COUNCIL AS A WHOLE

Seconded by Alderperson : \_\_\_\_\_

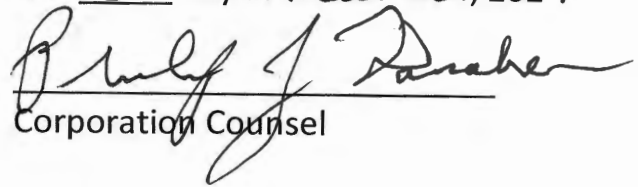
**A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING JAG REIMBURSABLE GRANT AWARD –  
POLICE DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS, The City of Rensselaer Police Department would like to accept the attached JAG Reimbursable Grant Award for inclusion in the 2024-2025 City Budget, and

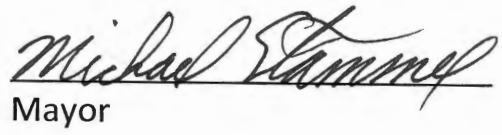
WHEREAS, the Common Council, on behalf of the City of Rensselaer, believes such Grant would assist the City in achieving the community goals of the City, and the City of Rensselaer is desirous of accepting such Grant Funds for the benefit of City residents,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Rensselaer hereby accepts the attached Grant Award for inclusion in the 2024-2025 City Budget, and the City Comptroller is hereby authorized to adjust the appropriate Police Budget Lines to reflect such Grant Award.

Approved as to form and sufficiency this 30<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2024

  
Corporation Counsel

SO APPROVED!

  
Mayor

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| Vote Totals           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aye | <input type="checkbox"/> No | <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain | <input type="checkbox"/> Absent |
| Result                | <b>PASSED</b>                           |                             |                                  |                                 |



**Division of Criminal  
Justice Services**

**KATHY HOCHUL**  
Governor

**ROSSANA ROSADO**  
Commissioner

**CILLIAN FLAVIN**  
Deputy Commissioner

## Grant Award Notice

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| <b>Grantee/Contractor:</b><br>City of Rensselaer / Rensselaer City Police Department  | <b>Date:</b><br>12/23/2024  |
| <b>Program Name:</b><br>Law Enforcement Equipment   | <b>Award Amount:</b><br>\$127,435 <sup>1</sup>  |
| <b>Signatory Name and Title:</b><br>John M. Mooney Jr., Deputy Chief  | <b>Term Dates:</b><br>TBD   |
| <b>Email:</b><br><a href="mailto:John.mooney@rensselaerpolice.org">John.mooney@rensselaerpolice.org</a>   | <b>Contract Number:</b><br>C633129  |
| <b>Program Description:</b> To support the dispatch desks, workstations, e-bikes, a fully outfitted and marked patrol vehicle, and shields for the Department.  |   |
| <b>The following additional information is provided as required when grants are supported with federal funding:</b>   |   |
| <b><u>Federal Award Identification Information</u></b>  |   |
| Award Name: New York State FY 2021 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program Application<br>Federal Award Number: 15PBJA-21-GG-00284-JAGX<br>Name of the Federal Award Agency: Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA)<br>Federal Award Lapse Date: 9/30/2025<br>Total Amount of Federal Award: \$ 8,955,920<br>Federal Fiscal Year of Funds: FFY 21<br>Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Title and Number: 16.738 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program |   |
| <b>Grant Questions</b>  |   |
| <b>Primary Contact</b><br>Julie Klugo, Public Safety Grants Representative<br>NYS Division of Criminal Justice Services<br>Office of Program Development and Funding<br>Phone: 518.485.1475<br>Email: <a href="mailto:julie.klugo@dcjs.ny.gov">julie.klugo@dcjs.ny.gov</a>  | <b>Secondary Contact</b><br>Meagan Armstrong, Public Safety Grants Representative<br>NYS Division of Criminal Justice Services<br>Office of Program Development and Funding<br>Phone: 518.485.5569<br>Email: <a href="mailto:meagan.armstrong@dcjs.ny.gov">meagan.armstrong@dcjs.ny.gov</a> |

<sup>1</sup> The award amount listed above is contingent upon the completion and submission (as applicable) of all contractual obligations as well as approval by the NYS Division of Budget and execution of the grant contract by the NYS Office of the State Comptroller. This funding is provided by the Division of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) with federal funds through the Bureau of Justice Assistance. Grantees receiving these funds will be subject to federal rules, regulations, and reporting requirements.

Thank you for all the work you do. We look forward to working with you in our continued efforts to safeguard the health and safety of all New York residents and visitors.

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By Alderperson : COUNCIL AS A WHOLE

Seconded by Alderperson : \_\_\_\_\_

**A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE DISBURSEMENT OF FUNDS UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT.**

**WHEREAS**, on March 11, 2021, President Biden signed the 109 trillion-dollar American Rescue Plan Act, and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Rensselaer has received funds from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) in the amount of \$940,612.55, and spent \$444,899.73 on a Fire Truck, and has remaining approximately \$495,712.82 in ARPA Funds, and such funds having been classified as "Lost Revenue" by prior Resolution duly adopted, and

**WHEREAS**, the Common Council of the City of Rensselaer has reviewed disbursement requests and determined that the following disbursement(s) are appropriate under the American Rescue Plan Act.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT, RESOLVED**, based on the distribution guidelines from the US Department of Treasury, the following disbursement(s) have been approved for the use of said funds:

1. Water and pumphouse enhancements benefiting the City of Rensselaer, as per the agreement with the town of East Greenbush totaling approximately \$390,688.82; and
2. Replacement of and improvements to the plumbing and the sewer system at the Rensselaer City Police Station totaling approximately \$50,000.00; and
3. Repairs to boiler and elevator at City Hall at a cost of \$55,024.00

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Common Council of the City of Rensselaer endorses the disbursement of American Rescue Plan Act Funds for the item(s) listed above and authorizes the Comptroller to make such disbursement(s) and amend the 2024/2025 Budget as required.

Approved as to form and sufficiency  
this 30<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2024

*Philip J. Daneker*  
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Corporation Counsel

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Mayor

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| 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 |
| Bryan Leahy          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aye | <input type="checkbox"/> No | <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain | <input type="checkbox"/> Absent |
| Andrew P. Kretschmar | <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 |
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| Vote Totals          | 7 Aye                                   | 0 No                        | 0 Abstain                        | 0 Absent                        |
| Result               | PASSED                                  |                             |                                  |                                 |