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## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT THE NASSAU COUNTY LEGISLATURE WILL HOLD COMMITTEE MEETINGS OF THE LEGISLATURE ON MONDAY, JUNE 14, 2021 STARTING AT 1:00 PM AND WILL HOLD A FULL SESSION OF THE LEGISLATURE ON MONDAY, JUNE 28, 2021 STARTING AT 1:00 PM IN THE PETER J. SCHMITT MEMORIAL LEGISLATIVE CHAMBER, 1<sup>ST</sup> FLOOR, THEODORE ROOSEVELT EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE BUILDING, 1550 FRANKLIN AVENUE, MINEOLA, NEW YORK 11501.

### **FULL LEGISLATIVE SESSION.....1:00 PM**

COMMITTEES	TIME
RULES	1:00PM
PUBLIC SAFETY	1:00PM
PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT & THE ENVIRONMENT	1:00PM
TOWNS, VILLAGES AND CITIES	1:00PM
ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, LABOR AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE	1:00PM
PUBLIC WORKS AND PARKS	1:00PM
HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES	1:00PM
GOVERNMENT SERVICES AND OPERATIONS	1:00PM
MINORITY AFFAIRS	1:00PM
VETERANS AND SENIOR AFFAIRS	1:00PM
FINANCE	1:00PM

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**MICHAEL C. PULITZER**  
Clerk of the Legislature

June 7, 2021  
Mineola, NY

# LEGISLATIVE CALENDAR

NASSAU COUNTY LEGISLATURE  
SEVENTEENTH MEETING  
SIXTH MEETING OF 2021

MINEOLA, NEW YORK  
JUNE 28, 2021 1:00PM  
LEGISLATIVE CALENDAR

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<http://www.nassaucountyny.gov/agencies/Legis/index.html>

1. **HEARING ON PROPOSED LOCAL LAW NO. -2021**

A LOCAL LAW TO AMEND THE MISCELLANEOUS LAWS OF NASSAU COUNTY IN RELATION TO THE IMPOSITION OF A PUBLIC SAFETY FEE AND DRIVER RESPONSIBILITY FEE FOR VIOLATIONS ISSUED PURSUANT TO TITLE 86 THEREOF. 177-21(LE)

2. **HEARING ON PROPOSED LOCAL LAW NO. -2021**

A LOCAL LAW TO AMEND TITLE 86 OF THE MISCELLANEOUS LAWS OF NASSAU COUNTY, AS ADDED BY LOCAL LAW NO.19-2019, IN RELATION TO CHANGING TO SIXTY DAYS THE PERIOD THAT A WRITTEN WARNING WILL BE ISSUED IN LIEU OF A NOTICE OF LIABILITY FOLLOWING COMMENCEMENT OF THE SCHOOL BUS PHOTO VIOLATION DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM. 212-21(CE)

3. **HEARING ON ORDINANCE NO. 126-2020**

AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE CAPITAL BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF NASSAU FOR THE FIRST YEAR OF THE FOUR-YEAR CAPITAL PLAN, TO COMMENCE ON JANUARY 1, 2021, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 310 OF THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT LAW OF NASSAU COUNTY. 305-20(PW)

4. **HEARING ON ORDINANCE NO. 50-2021**

AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE NASSAU COUNTY BUDGET FOR THE NASSAU COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING SEPTEMBER 1, 2021 AND ENDING AUGUST 31, 2022, AND TO APPROPRIATE REVENUES AND THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF MONIES TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION WITHIN THE COUNTY OF NASSAU FOR THE PURPOSES OF NASSAU COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOR SUCH FISCAL YEAR, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE EDUCATION LAW, THE COUNTY LAW, THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW, THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT LAW OF NASSAU COUNTY AND THE NASSAU COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE. 186-21(NCC)

5. **VOTE ON PROPOSED LOCAL LAW NO. -2021**

A LOCAL LAW TO AMEND THE MISCELLANEOUS LAWS OF NASSAU COUNTY IN RELATION TO THE IMPOSITION OF A PUBLIC SAFETY FEE AND DRIVER RESPONSIBILITY FEE FOR VIOLATIONS ISSUED PURSUANT TO TITLE 86 THEREOF. 177-21(LE)

6. **VOTE ON PROPOSED LOCAL LAW NO. -2021**

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7. **VOTE ON PROPOSED LOCAL LAW NO.-2021**

A LOCAL LAW TO AMEND ARTICLE X OF THE NASSAU COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE TO REQUIRE WRITTEN NOTIFICATION TO TOWNS, VILLAGES, CITIES AND SCHOOL DISTRICTS OF AGREEMENTS PROPOSED TO BE ENTERED INTO BY NASSAU COUNTY FOR THE OPERATION OF MULTI-UNIT SHELTERS TO BE LOCATED WITHIN SUCH JURISDICTIONS. 151-21(LE)

8.

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9.

**RESOLUTION NO. 168-2020**

A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE FOUR-YEAR CAPITAL PLAN FOR THE COUNTY OF NASSAU, TO COMMENCE ON JANUARY 1, 2021, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 310 OF THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT LAW OF NASSAU COUNTY. 304-20(PW)

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11.

**ORDINANCE NO. 51-2021**

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR A CAPITAL EXPENDITURE TO FINANCE THE CAPITAL PROJECT IDENTIFIED HEREIN WITHIN THE COUNTY OF NASSAU AND AUTHORIZING \$284,976,622 OF BONDS OF THE COUNTY OF NASSAU TO FINANCE SUCH EXPENDITURE PURSUANT TO THE LOCAL FINANCE LAW OF NEW YORK AND THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT LAW OF NASSAU COUNTY. 214-21(PW)

12.

**ORDINANCE NO. 52-2021**

AN ORDINANCE MAKING CERTAIN DETERMINATIONS PURSUANT TO THE STATE ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW ACT AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY OF NASSAU TO EXECUTE A LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF NASSAU AND NY YOUTH SPORTS NETWORK, INC. OF CERTAIN PREMISES IN UNIONDALE, TOWN OF HEMPSTEAD, COUNTY OF NASSAU, NEW YORK. 71-21(PK)

13. **ORDINANCE NO. 53-2021**

AN ORDINANCE MAKING CERTAIN DETERMINATIONS PURSUANT TO THE STATE ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW ACT AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE OF THE COUNTY OF NASSAU TO ACCEPT, ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY OF NASSAU, AN OFFER OF PURCHASE FROM DENGU, INC. OF CERTAIN PREMISES LOCATED IN UNIONDALE, COUNTY OF NASSAU, STATE OF NEW YORK, SAID PROPERTY TO BE SUBDIVIDED AND SOLD KNOWN AS SECTION 44, BLOCK F, PART OF LOTS 400 AND 417, FORMERLY KNOWN AS SECTION 44, BLOCK F, PART OF LOT 408 ON THE LAND AND TAX MAP OF THE COUNTY OF NASSAU, AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT OF SALE, DEED AND ALL PERTINENT DOCUMENTS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH TO CONSUMMATE THE SALE. 169-21(PW)

14. **ORDINANCE NO. 54-2021**

AN ORDINANCE TO IMPLEMENT THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM IN NASSAU COUNTY. 190-21(OMB)

15. **ORDINANCE NO. 55-2021**

AN ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTAL TO THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE IN CONNECTION WITH THE POLICE DEPARTMENT. 184-21(OMB)

16. **ORDINANCE NO. 56-2021**

AN ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTAL TO THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE IN CONNECTION WITH THE BOARD OF ELECTIONS. 185-21(OMB)

17. **ORDINANCE NO. 57-2021**

AN ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTAL TO THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE IN CONNECTION WITH THE OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT. 195-21(OMB)

18. **ORDINANCE NO. 58-2021**

AN ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTAL TO THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE IN CONNECTION WITH THE OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT. 196-21(OMB)

19. **ORDINANCE NO. 59-2021**

AN ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTAL TO THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE IN CONNECTION WITH THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT. 197-21(OMB)

20. **ORDINANCE NO. 60-2021**

AN ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTAL TO THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE IN CONNECTION WITH THE FIRE COMMISSION. 198-21(OMB)

21. **ORDINANCE NO. 61-2021**

AN ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTAL TO THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE IN CONNECTION WITH THE OFFICE OF MEDICAL EXAMINER. 199-21(OMB)

22. **ORDINANCE NO. 62-2021**

AN ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTAL TO AN APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE IN CONNECTION WITH THE OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY. 205-21(OMB)

23. **ORDINANCE NO. 63-2021**

AN ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTAL TO THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE IN CONNECTION WITH THE OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET. 213-21(OMB)

24. **RESOLUTION NO. 76-2021**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE (1) AN AGREEMENT WITH AMERICAN TRAFFIC SOLUTIONS, INC., D/B/A VERRA MOBILITY, AND (2) AGREEMENTS WITH SCHOOL DISTRICTS, IN RELATION TO THE COUNTY'S SCHOOL BUS STOP-ARM PHOTO ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM. 172-21(TV)

25. **RESOLUTION NO. 90-2021**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ATTORNEY TO COMPROMISE AND SETTLE CLAIMS WITH THE PARTIES AS SET FORTH IN THE ACTION ENTITLED MATTER OF THE APPLICATION FOR JUDICIAL DISSOLUTION OF FRIENDS FOR LONG ISLAND'S HERITAGE, INDEX NO. 019423/2005, PURSUANT TO THE COUNTY LAW, THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT LAW OF NASSAU COUNTY AND THE NASSAU COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE. 100-21(AT)



26. **RESOLUTION NO. 91-2021**

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AMENDMENT VIA MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING TO THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF NASSAU AND THE NASSAU COUNTY POLICE BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION. 215-21(CE)

27. **RESOLUTION NO. 92-2021**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE AN AMENDMENT TO AN INTER-MUNICIPAL AGREEMENT WITH THE INCORPORATED VILLAGE OF FARMINGDALE IN RELATION TO PARK IMPROVEMENTS THROUGHOUT THE VILLAGE OF FARMINGDALE. 181-21(PW)

28. **RESOLUTION NO. 93-2021**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE AN INTER-MUNICIPAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF NASSAU AND THE TOWN OF OYSTER BAY IN RELATION TO THE REFUELING OF PATROL UNITS AT VARIOUS TOWN OF OYSTER BAY FACILITIES. 183-21(PD)

29. **RESOLUTION NO. 94-2021**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE AN INTER-MUNICIPAL AGREEMENT WITH THE FARMINGDALE UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT TO PURCHASE AND INSTALL NEW PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT. 193-21(CE)

30. **RESOLUTION NO. 95-2021**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE AN INTER-MUNICIPAL AGREEMENT WITH THE GREAT NECK PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT IN RELATION TO A PROJECT TO PROCURE AND INSTALL PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT FOR THE DISTRICT. 194-21(CE)

31. **RESOLUTION NO. 96-2021**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE AN INTER-MUNICIPAL AGREEMENT WITH THE ISLAND PARK PUBLIC LIBRARY TO PURCHASE AND INSTALL AUDIO INDUCTION LOOP SYSTEM. 204-21(CE)

32. **RESOLUTION NO. 97-2021**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE A GRANT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF NASSAU, ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION AND MUSEUMS AND THE FIREFIGHTERS MUSEUM & EDUCATION CENTER 207-21(PK)

33. **RESOLUTION NO. 98-2021**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE A GRANT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF NASSAU, ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION AND MUSEUMS AND THE FRIENDS OF CEDARMERE, INC. 208-21(PK)

34. **RESOLUTION NO. 99-2021**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE A GRANT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF NASSAU, ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION AND MUSEUMS AND THE GARDEN CITY HISTORICAL SOCIETY. 209-21(PK)

35. **RESOLUTION NO. 100-2021**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE A GRANT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF NASSAU, ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION AND MUSEUMS AND THE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY OF QUEENS, NASSAU AND SUFFOLK COUNTIES, INC. 210-21(PK)

36. **RESOLUTION NO. 101-2021**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE A GRANT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF NASSAU, ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION AND MUSEUMS AND THE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY OF QUEENS, NASSAU AND SUFFOLK COUNTIES, INC. 211-21(PK)

37. **RESOLUTION NO. 102-2021**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY OF NASSAU TO FILE AN APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL ASSISTANCE WITH THE U.S DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT. 191-21(HI)

38. **RESOLUTION NO. 103-2021**

A RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE SALARY OR OTHER COMPENSATION OF PUBLIC OFFICERS OR EMPLOYEES FOR ANY AND ALL PERIODS OF ABSENCE WHILE UTILIZING HEALTHCARE RELATED SERVICES RELATED TO DUTY IN COMBAT THEATER OR COMBAT ZONE OPERATIONS PURSUANT TO NEW YORK STATE MILITARY LAW §242. 192-21(LE)

39. **RESOLUTION NO. 104-2021**

A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT A GIFT OFFERED BY THE HEWLETT WOODMERE PUBLIC SCHOOLS ENDOWMENT FUND TO THE NASSAU COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION AND MUSEUMS. 216-21(PK)

40. **RESOLUTION NO. 105-2021**

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE A TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS MADE WITHIN THE BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 2021. 200-21(OMB)

41. **RESOLUTION NO. 106-2021**

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE A TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS MADE WITHIN THE BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 2021. 201-21(OMB)

42. **RESOLUTION NO. 107-2021**

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE A TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS MADE WITHIN THE BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 2021. 202-21(OMB)

**RESOLUTION NO. 108-2021**

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE A TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS MADE WITHIN THE BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 2021. 203-21(OMB)

**RESOLUTION NO. 109-2021**

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE A TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS MADE WITHIN THE BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 2021. 206-21(OMB)

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**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Nassau County Executive has executed the following personal service contracts, copies of which are on file with the Office of the Clerk of the Nassau County Legislature. These contracts are listed for informational purposes only.**

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Housing and Homeless Services and City of Long Beach. \$275,000.00. RE: CDBG. ID# CQHI21000005

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Housing and Homeless Services and Town of Hempstead. \$417,000.00. RE: CDBG-CC COVID-19. ID# CQHI21000012.

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Housing and Homeless Services and Peaceful Minds, Inc. \$30,000.00. RE: CDBG-46<sup>th</sup>. ID# CQHI20000119

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Housing and Homeless Services and Bethany House of Nassau County Corp. \$90,000.00. RE: ESG 46<sup>TH</sup> YEAR. ID# CQHI21000008

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Housing and Homeless Services and Hempstead Town. \$3,095,000.00. RE: CDBG-46<sup>th</sup> Year. ID# CQHI21000011

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Human Services and Citizens of Westbury Ctr. \$29,775.00. RE: OFA SR WestburyC-1. ID# CQHS21000009.

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Human Services and Doubleday Babcock Sr. Ct./Life Enrichment Center at Oyster Bay. \$4,650.00. RE: OFA Doubleday Enrichment FFCRA. ID# CQHS21000042.

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Social Services and EAC, Inc. \$.01. RE: Adult Guardianship. ID# CLSS21000004.

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Social Services and The Safe Center LI, Inc. \$720,724.00 RE: Domestic Violence Non-Residential. ID# CLSS21000012.

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Social Services and The Safe Center LI, Inc. \$700,000.00  
RE: Domestic Violence Non-Residential. ID# CLSS21000013.

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Social Services and Family & Children's Assoc.  
\$973,149.00. RE: OF AFCA CM EISEP. ID# CQHS21000014.

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Human Services and Selfhelp Community Services, Inc.  
\$906,412.00. RE: OFA Selfhelp CM EISEP. ID# CQHS21000015.

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Human Services and Mental Health Association of Nassau  
County. \$276,568.00. RE: OMH -Advocacy /Support. ID# CQHS21000022.

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Human Services and Catholic Charities of Long Island.  
\$568,340.00. RE: OFA CC CSE. ID# CQHS21000016.

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Human Services and EAC,, Inc. \$1,440,000.00. RE: OFA  
EAC WIN. ID# CQHS21000021.

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Human Services and Catholic Charities of Long Island.  
\$1,248,394.00. RE: OFA CC CM EISEP. ID# CQHS21000012.

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Human Services and Cornell Extension of NC.  
\$26,000.00. RE: OFA Cornell FFCRS. ID# CQHS21000045.

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Human Services and Sid Jacobson Jewish Community  
Center. \$152,114.00. RE: OFA Sid Jacobson E Herricks. ID# CQHS21000008.

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Housing and Homeless Services and Economic  
Opportunity Commissions of Nassau County. \$2,000,000.00. RE: ESG CV.  
ID# CQHI21000010

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Housing and Homeless Services and Long Island Cares,  
Inc. \$100,000.00. RE: CDBG- CV-Covid-19. ID# CLHI21000003

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Public Works and United States Geological Survey, Dept.  
of Interior. \$400,000.00. RE: CDBG. ID# CLPW21000003.

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Social Services and EAC, Inc. \$156,060.00.  
RE: Child Support Services. ID# CLSS21000003

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Housing and Homeless Services and John Snow, Inc.  
\$450,000.00. RE: CDBG- CV. ID# CQHI21000016

County of Nassau acting on behalf of Housing and Homeless Services and Nassau Community  
College. \$200,000.00. RE: CDBG- CV. ID# CLHI21000006

**THE NASSAU COUNTY LEGISLATURE**  
**WILL CONVENE THE NEXT**  
**COMMITTEE MEETINGS ON**  
**MONDAY, JULY 12, 2021 at 1:00PM**  
**AND**  
**FULL LEGISLATURE MEETING ON**  
**MONDAY, AUGUST 2, 2021 AT 1:00PM**

PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 76 – 2021

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE (1) AN AGREEMENT WITH AMERICAN TRAFFIC SOLUTIONS, INC., D/B/A VERRA MOBILITY, AND (2) AGREEMENTS WITH SCHOOL DISTRICTS, IN RELATION TO THE COUNTY’S SCHOOL BUS STOP-ARM PHOTO ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, Section 1174-a of the New York State Vehicle and Traffic Law (“Section 1174-a”) authorizes local governments to establish a demonstration program imposing owner liability for failure of an operator to stop for a school bus displaying a red visual signal and stop-arm, and to enter into agreements with school districts for the installation and operation of school bus photo violation monitoring systems on school buses owned, operated by, or under contract with such school districts;

WHEREAS, as authorized under Section 1174-a, the County adopted Local Law No. 19 of 2019 (“Local Law 19-2019”) establishing a demonstration program entitled the “School Bus Photo Violation Monitoring Program” (hereinafter referred to as the “Stop Arm Program”) imposing owner liability for failure of an operator to stop for a school bus displaying a red visual signal and stop-arm;

WHEREAS, the County solicited proposals and now desires to enter into an agreement with American Traffic Solutions, Inc., D/B/A Verra Mobility to install, operate, and maintain a school bus photo violation monitoring system on school buses owned, operated by, or under contract with school districts located within the County as part of the Stop Arm Program (the “Camera Operations Contract”), a copy of which is on file with the Clerk of the Legislature; and

WHEREAS, upon execution of the Camera Operations Contract, the County will begin to enter into participation agreements with school districts located within the County who wish to participate in the Stop Arm Program (collectively, the “Participation Agreements”), a template of which is included in the Camera Operations Contract on file with the Clerk of the Legislature.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, that the Nassau County Legislature hereby authorizes the County Executive to execute the said Camera Operations Contract, Participation Agreements, and to execute any and all other instruments or ancillary agreements and to take such other action as is necessary to effectuate and carry out the purposes of the Camera Operations Contract and Participation Agreements.

RESOLVED, that pursuant to the provisions of SEQRA, 8 N.Y.E.C.L. section 0101 et seq. and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., the proposed Camera Operations Contract and Participation Agreements have been determined not to have any significant adverse impacts on the environment and no further review is required.





**PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 90 - 2021**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ATTORNEY TO COMPROMISE AND SETTLE CLAIMS WITH THE PARTIES AS SET FORTH IN THE ACTION ENTITLED *MATTER OF THE APPLICATION FOR JUDICIAL DISSOLUTION OF FRIENDS FOR LONG ISLAND'S HERITAGE*, INDEX NO. 019423/2005, PURSUANT TO THE COUNTY LAW, THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT LAW OF NASSAU COUNTY AND THE NASSAU COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE.

WHEREAS, Friends for Long Island's Heritage ("Friends") is a not-for-profit education corporation which was issued a provisional charter under the name "Friends of the Nassau County Historical Museum" on January 24, 1964 by the New York State Board of Regents of the University of the State of New York ("Board of Regents") pursuant to Education Law §216; such provisional charter was made absolute by action of the Board of Regents on February 28, 1969; and amended from time to time, including a name change to "Friends of the Nassau County Museum" on September 21, 1973 and to "Friends for Long Island's Heritage" on December 19, 1980; and,

WHEREAS, with the consent of the Board of Regents, Friends petitioned the Supreme Court of Nassau County ("Supreme Court") for a judicial dissolution in 2005; and,

WHEREAS, certain parties have asserted claims as secured or unsecured creditors of Friends in the above-referenced matter; and,

WHEREAS, Nassau County has agreed to make payment of \$400,000.00 to the secured and unsecured creditors of Friends in order to quiet title to items and artifacts that were acquired by Friends and which are in the possession of Nassau County; and,

WHEREAS, as part of the settlement, Nassau County has agreed with the Museums at Mitchell, d/b/a Cradle of Aviation ("MAM/Cradle") to loan to MAM/Cradle certain items and artifacts that were acquired by Friends which MAM/Cradle will hold for display to the public; and

WHEREAS, all parties have agreed to waive and release all claims as against each other regarding this matter; and,

WHEREAS, the County Attorney has caused an investigation and analysis to be made of the said action and as a result thereof recommends that it be settled in the amount set forth above; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer be and is hereby authorized to pay a maximum of \$400,000.00 by check or checks payable as directed by the County Attorney, said check or checks to be delivered to the County Attorney and thereupon deposited with and distributed by a Court appointed Receiver to the secured and unsecured creditors of Friends, upon receipt of a Settlement Agreement and Limited Release; and be it further

RESOLVED, that it is hereby determined, pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, 8 N.Y.E.C.L. Section 0101 *et seq.* and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County, that this settlement is a “Type II” Action within the meaning of Section 617.5(c)(29) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R. and, accordingly, is of a class of actions which do not have a significant effect on the environment; and no further review is required.



**PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 91 -2021**

A RESOLUTION approving an amendment via Memorandum of Understanding to the collective bargaining agreement between the County of Nassau and the Nassau County Police Benevolent Association.

WHEREAS, the County of Nassau entered into a Collective Bargaining Agreement (the “CBA”) with the Nassau County Police Benevolent Association (“NCPBA”) which sets terms and conditions of employment for employees in the negotiating unit, which expired on December 31, 2017, and has continued in full force and effect by operation of Law; and

WHEREAS, the County of Nassau and the NCPBA (collectively, “the parties”) have agreed to a Memorandum of Understanding (the “MOU”) dated May 26, 2021 making certain amendments to the CBA by way of an “Interim Agreement” that provides for the implementation of the Nassau County Police Department’s body-worn camera program, and which further provides that this Interim Agreement shall continue and become part of a successor collective bargaining agreement; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the act of the Chief Deputy County Executive for the County of Nassau in executing the MOU by and between the County of Nassau and the NCPBA is hereby ratified and approved.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 92 – 2021

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO  
EXECUTE AN AMENDMENT TO AN INTER-MUNICIPAL AGREEMENT WITH  
THE INCORPORATED VILLAGE OF FARMINGDALE IN RELATION TO PARK  
IMPROVEMENTS THROUGHOUT THE VILLAGE OF FARMINGDALE

WHEREAS, the County of Nassau (the “County”) and the Incorporated Village of Farmingdale (the “Village”) are authorized, pursuant to Article 9, Section 1 of the New York State Constitution and Article 5-G of the General Municipal Law, to enter into intergovernmental agreements; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the County to support the operation and maintenance of certain parks, museums, playgrounds, athletic fields, and recreational facilities through joint projects or programs with other municipalities and districts; and

WHEREAS, the County and the Village previously entered into an agreement (the “Agreement”) with respect to a project to make park improvements within the Village (the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, the County and the Village now desire to amend the Agreement and believe it to be in the best interest of the taxpayers of their respective municipalities to authorize intermunicipal cooperation with respect to the mutual covenants set forth in the proposed amendment to the Agreement, on file with the Clerk of the Legislature; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Nassau County Legislature authorizes the County Executive to execute the said amendment to the Agreement with the Village, in relation to the aforesaid Project; and be it further

RESOLVED that pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act (“SEQRA”), 8 N.Y.E.C.L. section 0101 *et seq.* and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County said Project is a “Type II Action” within the meaning of Part 617.5(c) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and, accordingly, is of a class of actions which do not have a significant effect on the environment and no further review is required.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 93 – 2021

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE AN INTER-MUNICIPAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF NASSAU AND THE TOWN OF OYSTER BAY IN RELATION TO THE REFUELING OF PATROL UNITS AT VARIOUS TOWN OF OYSTER BAY FACILITIES.

WHEREAS, the County of Nassau (the “County”) and the Town of Oyster Bay (the “Town”) are authorized, pursuant to Article 5-G of the General Municipal Law to enter into inter-governmental agreements; and

WHEREAS, the County and the Town are interested in providing the Nassau County Police Department continued access to fueling pumps at the Town’s various fueling facilities for the cost the Town charges its vehicles, plus four percent (4%) maintenance charge on all fuel charges by the Nassau County Police Department; and

WHEREAS, there Town has agreed to accept funds from the County in furtherance of this purpose; and

WHEREAS, the County and the Town believe it to be in the best interest of the taxpayers of their respective communities to authorize inter-municipal cooperation with respect to the mutual covenants set forth in the proposed agreement; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Nassau County Legislature authorizes the County Executive to execute the said agreement with the Town;

RESOLVED, that pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act (“SEQRA”), 8 N.Y.E.C.L. section 0101 *et seq.* and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County said project is a "Type II Action" within the meaning of Section 617.5(c)(25) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and, accordingly, is of a class of actions which do not have a significant effect on the environment and no further review is required.



PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 94 – 2021

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE AN INTER-MUNICIPAL AGREEMENT WITH THE FARMINGDALE UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT TO PURCHASE AND INSTALL NEW PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT.

WHEREAS, the County of Nassau (the “County”) and the Farmingdale Union Free School District (the “District”) are authorized, pursuant to Article 5-G of the General Municipal Law to enter into inter-governmental agreements; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the County and District to purchase and install new playground equipment for the District; and

WHEREAS, the District has agreed to accept funds from the County in furtherance of this purpose; and

WHEREAS, the County and the District believe it to be in the best interest of the taxpayers of their respective municipalities to authorize inter-municipal cooperation with respect to the mutual covenants set forth in the proposed Agreement, on file with the Clerk of the Legislature; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Nassau County Legislature authorizes the County Executive to execute the said agreement with the District, in relation to the aforesaid purchase and installation; and be it further

RESOLVED that pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act (“SEQRA”), 8 N.Y.E.C.L. section 0101 *et seq.* and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County said Project is a "Type II Action" within the meaning of Section 617.5(c) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and, accordingly, is of a class of actions which do not have a significant effect on the environment and no further review is required.



PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 95 – 2021

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE AN INTER-MUNICIPAL AGREEMENT WITH THE GREAT NECK PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT IN RELATION TO A PROJECT TO PROCURE AND INSTALL PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT FOR THE DISTRICT

WHEREAS, the County of Nassau (the “County”) and the Great Neck Public School District (the “District”) are authorized, pursuant to Article 5-G of the General Municipal Law to enter into intergovernmental agreements; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the County share resources in the undertaking of municipal projects and other purposes through joint projects or programs with other municipalities and districts (“Project”); and

WHEREAS, the District is interested in undertaking a project to procure and install playground equipment for the District for County residents (the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, the County and the District believe it to be in the best interest of the taxpayers of their respective municipalities to authorize intermunicipal cooperation with respect to the mutual covenants set forth in the proposed Agreement, on file with the Clerk of the Legislature; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Nassau County Legislature authorizes the County Executive to execute the said agreement with the District, in relation to the aforesaid Project; and be it further

RESOLVED that pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act (“SEQRA”), 8 N.Y.E.C.L. section 0101 *et seq.* and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County said Project is a “Type II Action” within the meaning of Section 617.5(c) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and, accordingly, is of a class of actions which do not have a significant effect on the environment and no further review is required.



PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 96 – 2021

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO  
EXECUTE AN INTER-MUNICIPAL AGREEMENT WITH THE ISLAND PARK  
PUBLIC LIBRARY TO PURCHASE AND INSTALL AUDIO INDUCTION LOOP  
SYSTEM

WHEREAS, the County of Nassau (the “County”) and the Island Park Public Library (the “Library”) are authorized, pursuant to Section 256 of the New York Education Law to enter into intergovernmental agreements; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the County and Library to purchase and install audio induction loop system; and

WHEREAS, the Library has agreed to accept funds from the County in furtherance of these goods and services; and

WHEREAS, the County and the Library believe it to be in the best interest of the taxpayers of their respective municipalities to authorize intermunicipal cooperation with respect to the mutual covenants set forth in the proposed Agreement, on file with the Clerk of the Legislature; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Nassau County Legislature authorizes the County Executive to execute the said agreement with the Library, in relation to the aforesaid goods and services; and be it further

RESOLVED that pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act (“SEQRA”), 8 N.Y.E.C.L. section 0101 *et seq.* and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County said Project is a "Type II Action" within the meaning of Sections 617.5(c)(1) and 617.5(c)(2) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and, accordingly, is of a class of actions which do not have a significant effect on the environment and no further review is required.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 97 – 2021

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE A GRANT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF NASSAU, ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION AND MUSEUMS AND THE FIREFIGHTERS MUSEUM & EDUCATION CENTER

WHEREAS, Nassau County (“County”) has received funding from the State of New York pursuant to State Tax Law section 1202-q, and appropriated said funds to the Department of Parks, Recreation and Museums (“Department”) in accordance with said law in order to support programs and activities relevant to the enhancement of cultural in the County; and

WHEREAS, the Department has determined that funding shall be awarded to the Firefighters Museum & Education Center, an existing not-for-profit organization located within the County for the continuation and enhancement of cultural growth in the County; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Nassau County Legislature authorizes the County Executive to execute the said agreement with the Firefighters Museum & Education Center.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 98 – 2021

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE A GRANT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF NASSAU, ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION AND MUSEUMS AND THE FRIENDS OF CEDARMERE, INC.

WHEREAS, Nassau County (“County”) has received funding from the State of New York pursuant to State Tax Law section 1202-q, and appropriated said funds to the Department of Parks, Recreation and Museums (“Department”) in accordance with said law in order to support programs and activities relevant to the enhancement of cultural in the County; and

WHEREAS, the Department had determined that funding shall be awarded to the Friends of Cedarmere, Inc., an existing not-for-profit organization located within the County for the continuation and enhancement of cultural growth in the County; and now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Nassau County Legislature authorizes the County Executive to execute the said agreement with the Friends of Cedarmere, Inc.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 99 – 2021

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE A GRANT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF NASSAU, ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION AND MUSEUMS AND THE GARDEN CITY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

WHEREAS, Nassau County (“County”) has received funding from the State of New York pursuant to State Tax Law section 1202-q, and appropriated said funds to the Department of Parks, Recreation and Museums (“Department”) in accordance with said law in order to support programs and activities relevant to the enhancement of cultural in the County; and

WHEREAS, the Department has determined that funding shall be awarded to The Garden City Historical Society, an existing not-for-profit organization located within the County for the continuation and enhancement of cultural growth in the County; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Nassau County Legislature authorizes the County Executive to execute the said agreement with The Garden City Historical Society.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 100 – 2021

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE A GRANT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF NASSAU, ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION AND MUSEUMS AND THE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY OF QUEENS, NASSAU AND SUFFOLK COUNTIES, INC.

WHEREAS, Nassau County (“County”) has received funding from the State of New York pursuant to State Tax Law section 1202-q, and appropriated said funds to the Department of Parks, Recreation and Museums (“Department”) in accordance with said law in order to support programs and activities relevant to the enhancement of cultural in the County; and

WHEREAS, the Department has determined that funding shall be awarded to The Agricultural Society of Queens, Nassau and Suffolk Counties, Inc., an existing not-for-profit organization located within the County for the continuation and enhancement of cultural growth in the County; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Nassau County Legislature authorizes the County Executive to execute the said agreement with The Agricultural Society of Queens, Nassau and Suffolk Counties, Inc.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 101 – 2021

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE A GRANT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF NASSAU, ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION AND MUSEUMS AND THE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY OF QUEENS, NASSAU AND SUFFOLK COUNTIES, INC.

WHEREAS, Nassau County (“County”) has received funding from the State of New York pursuant to State Tax Law section 1202-q, and appropriated said funds to the Department of Parks, Recreation and Museums (“Department”) in accordance with said law in order to support programs and activities relevant to the enhancement of cultural in the County; and

WHEREAS, the Department has determined that funding shall be awarded to The Agricultural Society of Queens, Nassau and Suffolk Counties, Inc., an existing not-for-profit organization located within the County for the continuation and enhancement of cultural growth in the County; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Nassau County Legislature authorizes the County Executive to execute the said agreement with The Agricultural Society of Queens, Nassau and Suffolk Counties, Inc.



PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 102 - 2021

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY OF NASSAU TO FILE AN APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL ASSISTANCE WITH THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT.

WHEREAS, the Nassau County Office of Community Development is the overall administrative agent for the Federal Community Development Block Grant (“CDBG”), HOME Investment Partnership (“HOME”), and the Emergency Shelter Grant (“ESG”), programs funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (“HUD”); and

WHEREAS, each year, Nassau County must submit to HUD an annual plan outlining the proposed use of funds received through such programs; and

WHEREAS, this year, Nassau County will submit to HUD its annual plan for the 47<sup>th</sup> Program Year CDBG, HOME, and ESG funding; and

WHEREAS, such application for CDBG, HOME, and ESG funds is currently on file with the Clerk of the Legislature of Nassau County; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, such application for CDBG, HOME, and ESG funds be and is hereby authorized by this Legislature to be filed with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive is authorized to execute any grant agreements or other documentation in relation to receipt of such grant funds.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 103 - 2021

A RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE SALARY OR OTHER  
COMPENSATION OF PUBLIC OFFICERS OR EMPLOYEES FOR ANY AND ALL  
PERIODS OF ABSENCE WHILE UTILIZING HEALTHCARE RELATED SERVICES  
RELATED TO DUTY IN COMBAT THEATER OR COMBAT ZONE OPERATIONS  
PURSUANT TO NEW YORK STATE MILITARY LAW §242

WHEREAS, New York State Military Law §242 authorizes Nassau County to allow, by Resolution, up to five working days paid leave to public officers or employees that have served in a combat theater or combat zone of operations for health related services related to duty in a combat theater or combat zone of operations; and

WHEREAS, Nassau County officers and employees who are combat theater veterans and combat zone of operations veterans risked their lives for our country, and it is in the best interest of Nassau County to provide these officers and employees with paid leave so they have the opportunity obtain medical assistance for duty-related healthcare needs; NOW THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that pursuant New York State Military Law §242(5)(c), Nassau County officers or employees that are combat theater veterans and combat zone of operations veterans shall be entitled to the payment of salary or other compensation of such public officers or employees for all periods of absence while utilizing healthcare related services related to duty in a combat theater or combat zone of operations, not exceeding five working days, in any one calendar year; and be it further

RESOLVED, nothing in this Resolution shall be construed to diminish the rights, privileges, or remedies of any employee under any collective bargaining agreement; and be it further

RESOLVED , that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

**PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 104-2021**

A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT A GIFT OFFERED BY THE HEWLETT WOODMERE PUBLIC SCHOOLS ENDOWMENT FUND TO THE NASSAU COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION AND MUSEUMS.

WHEREAS, the Hewlett Woodmere Public Schools Endowment Fund has presented to Nassau County a gift in the form of a memorial reflection garden at Grant Park in Hewlett, New York in honor of Kelly Ann Tinyes, a 13 year old Valley Stream resident and Woodmere Middle School student, who was brutally murdered in 1989; and

WHEREAS, the said donation will be utilized by the Nassau County Department of Parks, Recreation and Museums to serve as a living memorial to her and will be named the “Kelly A. Tinyes Memorial Reflection Garden” in her honor; and

WHEREAS, the Nassau County Department of Parks, Recreation and Museums deems the acceptance of such a gift to be in the best interest of the County of Nassau; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the said gift is gratefully accepted and the County Executive is hereby authorized to direct the Commissioner of the Nassau County Department of Parks, Recreation and Museums to accept the donation and to use the donation in furtherance of its mission.



**PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 105 – 2021**

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS  
HERETOFORE MADE WITHIN THE BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 2021

WHEREAS, the County Executive, by communication dated May 18, 2021, addressed to the County Legislature, has advised that a transfer of appropriations heretofore made has been requested in order to provide funds to meet certain expenditures authorized within the budget for the year 2021; and

WHEREAS, the transfer has been reviewed and approved by the Office of Management and Budget and the Office of the County Executive; and

WHEREAS, the said transfer is known as BTCW21000019 as follows:

BOARD TRANSFER NO. 19

	<u>CODE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
<b><u>FROM</u></b>	PD-GRT-5AY8-NYS-AB10F	Police Department - Grant Fund – Fringe Benefits	\$ 1,716.00
	PD-GRT-5AY8-NYS-BB198	Police Department - Grant Fund - Equipment	\$ 586.00
	PD-GRT-5AY8-NYS-DD498	Police Department - Grant Fund - General Expenses	\$ 95.00
	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$ 2,397.00</b>
<b><u>TO</u></b>	PD-GRT-5AY8-NYS-AA97Z	Police Department - Grant Fund- Salaries & Wages	\$ 2,397.00
	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$ 2,397.00</b>

WHEREAS, the said transfers of appropriations are recommended by the County Executive in said communication and are within the scope of Section 307 of the County Government Law of Nassau County; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Legislature does hereby authorize the said transfers of appropriations heretofore made within the budget for the year 2021, as hereinabove set forth; and be it further

RESOLVED that this resolution may be modified to allow for the correction of any mathematical and/or typographical errors subsequent to any approval and adoption of said resolution without the necessity for a vote to be taken by the County Legislature or by the members of any Standing Committee of said Legislature if said resolution is passed by the affirmative vote of a majority of said Legislature; and be it further

RESOLVED, that it is hereby determined, pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, 8 N.Y.E.C.L. Section 0101 et seq. and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County, that this budget transfer is a “Type II” Action within the meaning of Section 617.5(c)(26) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R. (“routine or continuing agency administration and management, not including new programs or major reordering of priorities that may affect the environment”), and, accordingly, is a class of actions which does not have a significant effect on the environment; and no further review is required.



**PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 106 – 2021**

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS  
HERETOFORE MADE WITHIN THE BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 2021

WHEREAS, the County Executive, by communication dated April 21, 2021, addressed to the County Legislature, has advised that a transfer of appropriations heretofore made has been requested in order to provide funds to meet certain expenditures authorized within the budget for the year 2021; and

WHEREAS, the transfer has been reviewed and approved by the Office of Management and Budget and the Office of the County Executive; and

WHEREAS, the said transfer is known as BTCW21000013 as follows:

BOARD TRANSFER NO. 13

	<u>CODE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
<b><u>FROM</u></b>	HE-GRT-DWY1(20)-AA98Z	Health Department - Grant Fund - Salaries Wages & Fees	\$ 150.00
	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$ 150.00</b>
<b><u>TO</u></b>	HE-GRT-DWY1(20)-AB10F	Health Department - Grant Fund - Fringe Benefits	\$ 150.00
	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$ 150.00</b>



WHEREAS, the said transfers of appropriations are recommended by the County Executive in said communication and are within the scope of Section 307 of the County Government Law of Nassau County; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Legislature does hereby authorize the said transfers of appropriations heretofore made within the budget for the year 2021, as hereinabove set forth; and be it further

RESOLVED that this resolution may be modified to allow for the correction of any mathematical and/or typographical errors subsequent to any approval and adoption of said resolution without the necessity for a vote to be taken by the County Legislature or by the members of any Standing Committee of said Legislature if said resolution is passed by the affirmative vote of a majority of said Legislature; and be it further

RESOLVED, that it is hereby determined, pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, 8 N.Y.E.C.L. Section 0101 et seq. and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County, that this budget transfer is a “Type II” Action within the meaning of Section 617.5(c)(20) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R. (“routine or continuing agency administration and management, not including new programs or major reordering of priorities that may affect the environment”), and, accordingly, is a class of actions which does not have a significant effect on the environment; and no further review is required.



**PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 107 – 2021**

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS  
HERETOFORE MADE WITHIN THE BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 2021

WHEREAS, the County Executive, by communication dated April 21, 2021, addressed to the County Legislature, has advised that a transfer of appropriations heretofore made has been requested in order to provide funds to meet certain expenditures authorized within the budget for the year 2021; and

WHEREAS, the transfer has been reviewed and approved by the Office of Management and Budget and the Office of the County Executive; and

WHEREAS, the said transfer is known as BTCW21000015 as follows:

BOARD TRANSFER NO. 15

	<u>CODE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
<b><u>FROM</u></b>	HE-GRT-S303NYS-AB10F	Health Department - Grant Fund - Fringes	\$ 1,633.00
	HE-GRT-S303NYS-DD498	Health Department – Grant Fund – General Expenses	\$ 400.00
	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$ 2,033.00</b>
<b><u>TO</u></b>	HE-GRT-S303NYS-AA97Z	Health Department - Grant Fund - Salary	\$ 2,033.00
	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$ 2,033.00</b>

WHEREAS, the said transfers of appropriations are recommended by the County Executive in said communication and are within the scope of Section 307 of the County Government Law of Nassau County; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Legislature does hereby authorize the said transfers of appropriations heretofore made within the budget for the year 2021, as hereinabove set forth; and be it further

RESOLVED that this resolution may be modified to allow for the correction of any

mathematical and/or typographical errors subsequent to any approval and adoption of said resolution without the necessity for a vote to be taken by the County Legislature or by the members of any Standing Committee of said Legislature if said resolution is passed by the affirmative vote of a majority of said Legislature; and be it further

RESOLVED, that it is hereby determined, pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, 8 N.Y.E.C.L. Section 0101 et seq. and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County, that this budget transfer is a “Type II” Action within the meaning of Section 617.5(c)(20) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R. (“routine or continuing agency administration and management, not including new programs or major reordering of priorities that may affect the environment”), and, accordingly, is a class of actions which does not have a significant effect on the environment; and no further review is required.



**PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 108– 2021**

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS  
HERETOFORE MADE WITHIN THE BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 2021

WHEREAS, the County Executive, by communication dated April 21, 2021, addressed to the County Legislature, has advised that a transfer of appropriations heretofore made has been requested in order to provide funds to meet certain expenditures authorized within the budget for the year 2021; and

WHEREAS, the transfer has been reviewed and approved by the Office of Management and Budget and the Office of the County Executive; and

WHEREAS, the said transfer is known as BTCW21000014 as follows:

BOARD TRANSFER NO. 14

	<u>CODE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
<b><u>FROM</u></b>	HE-GRT-HVX5NYS-AB10F	Health Department - Grant Fund - Fringes	\$ 2,840.00
	HE-GRT-HVX5NYS-DD498	Health Department – Grant Fund – General Expenses	\$ 200.00
	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$ 3,040.00</b>
<b><u>TO</u></b>	HE-GRT-HVX5NYS-AA97Z	Health Department - Grant Fund - Salary	\$ 3,040.00
	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$ 3,040.00</b>

WHEREAS, the said transfers of appropriations are recommended by the County Executive in said communication and are within the scope of Section 307 of the County Government Law of Nassau County; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Legislature does hereby authorize the said transfers of appropriations heretofore made within the budget for the year 2021, as hereinabove set forth; and be it further

RESOLVED that this resolution may be modified to allow for the correction of any

mathematical and/or typographical errors subsequent to any approval and adoption of said resolution without the necessity for a vote to be taken by the County Legislature or by the members of any Standing Committee of said Legislature if said resolution is passed by the affirmative vote of a majority of said Legislature; and be it further

RESOLVED, that it is hereby determined, pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, 8 N.Y.E.C.L. Section 0101 et seq. and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County, that this budget transfer is a “Type II” Action within the meaning of Section 617.5(c)(20) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R. (“routine or continuing agency administration and management, not including new programs or major reordering of priorities that may affect the environment”), and, accordingly, is a class of actions which does not have a significant effect on the environment; and no further review is required.





**PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 109 – 2021**

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS  
HERETOFORE MADE WITHIN THE BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 2021

WHEREAS, the County Executive, by communication dated April 21, 2021, addressed to the County Legislature, has advised that a transfer of appropriations heretofore made has been requested in order to provide funds to meet certain expenditures authorized within the budget for the year 2021; and

WHEREAS, the transfer has been reviewed and approved by the Office of Management and Budget and the Office of the County Executive; and

WHEREAS, the said transfer is known as BTCW21000016 as follows:

BOARD TRANSFER NO. 16

	<u>CODE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
<b><u>FROM</u></b>	HI-GRT-8300FED-DD498	Office of Housing – Grant Fund – General Expense	\$ 20,000
	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$ 20,000</b>
<b><u>TO</u></b>	HI-GRT-8300FED-BB197	Office of Housing - Grant Fund - Equipment	\$ 20,000
	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$ 20,000</b>

WHEREAS, the said transfers of appropriations are recommended by the County Executive in said communication and are within the scope of Section 307 of the County Government Law of Nassau County; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Legislature does hereby authorize the said transfers of appropriations heretofore made within the budget for the year 2021, as hereinabove set forth; and be it further

RESOLVED that this resolution may be modified to allow for the correction of any mathematical and/or typographical errors subsequent to any approval and adoption of said resolution without the necessity for a vote to be taken by the County Legislature or by the members of any Standing Committee of said Legislature if said resolution is passed by the affirmative vote of a majority of said Legislature; and be it further

RESOLVED, that it is hereby determined, pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, 8 N.Y.E.C.L. Section 0101 et seq. and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County, that this budget transfer is a “Type II” Action within the meaning of Section 617.5(c)(20) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R. (“routine or continuing agency administration and management, not including new programs or major reordering of priorities that may affect the environment”), and, accordingly, is a class of actions which does not have a significant effect on the environment; and no further review is required.



**PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 168 - 2020**

A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE FOUR-YEAR CAPITAL PLAN FOR THE COUNTY OF NASSAU, TO COMMENCE ON JANUARY 1, 2021, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 310 OF THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT LAW OF NASSAU COUNTY

WHEREAS, section 310 of the County Government Law of Nassau County requires the County Executive to submit to the Nassau County Legislature (“County Legislature”) a proposed four-year Capital Plan (“Capital Plan”), the first year of which shall be referred to as the Proposed Capital Budget (“Proposed Capital Budget”); and

WHEREAS, on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of October 2020, the County Executive filed with the Clerk of the County Legislature three (3) copies of such Capital Plan and Proposed Capital Budget, together with her capital budget message (“Capital Budget Message”) including a summary and explaining the main features of the Proposed Capital Budget; and

WHEREAS, such Capital Plan includes, pursuant to subdivision a of section 310 of the County Government Law of Nassau County, details, descriptions and projections of proposed capital programs, projects and activities, as well as descriptions and projections regarding all of the proposed funding sources for each capital program, project or activity contained in the Capital Plan; and

WHEREAS, such Capital Plan also includes, pursuant to subdivision a of section 310 of the County Government Law of Nassau County, a report on the outstanding indebtedness of the County and of the Nassau County Interim Finance Authority, a report on previously approved capital programs, projects and activities which have not been completed, a report on authorized but unissued serial bonds, and projections of the County’s outstanding indebtedness assuming completion of pending capital programs, projects and activities and assuming authorization and financing of all proposed capital programs, projects and activities included in such Capital Plan; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive has, pursuant to subdivision a of section 310 of the County Government Law of Nassau County, submitted along with such Capital Plan a Proposed Capital Budget, including a listing of the capital programs, projects and activities, other than judgments and settlements, which are proposed to be authorized in the first year of the four-year capital plan and the cost estimates associated therewith; and

WHEREAS, the County Legislature has, pursuant to subdivision b of section 310 of the County Government Law of Nassau County, made such Capital Plan and Capital Budget Message

relating to the Proposed Capital Budget available for public inspection and purchase; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, in accordance with the proposed four-year Capital Plan and Capital Budget filed by the County Executive with the Clerk of the County Legislature, that the capital programs, projects and activities, other than judgments and settlements, identified in Appendix A attached hereto and incorporated herein, are hereby approved and adopted by the County Legislature as the Capital Plan of the County of Nassau for the fiscal years beginning January 1, 2021, and ending December 31, 2024; and be it further

RESOLVED that this resolution, including Appendix A, may be modified to allow for the correction of any mathematical and/or typographical errors subsequent to any approval and adoption of said resolution without the necessity for a vote to be taken by the County Legislature or by the members of any Standing Committee of said Legislature if said resolution is passed by the affirmative vote of a majority of said Legislature.





PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 50 -2021

AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE NASSAU COUNTY BUDGET FOR NASSAU COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING SEPTEMBER 1, 2021 AND ENDING AUGUST 31, 2022, AND TO APPROPRIATE REVENUES AND THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF MONIES TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION WITHIN THE COUNTY OF NASSAU FOR THE PURPOSES OF NASSAU COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOR SUCH FISCAL YEAR, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE EDUCATION LAW, THE COUNTY LAW, THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW, THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT LAW OF NASSAU COUNTY AND THE NASSAU COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE.

WHEREAS, in pursuance of subdivision 5-a of section 6304 of the Education Law of the State of New York, the fiscal year for a community college sponsored by a county is to commence on September 1st and end on August 31st in each year, and

WHEREAS, in pursuance of the requirements of the aforesaid provisions of the Education Law, the County Executive of Nassau County submitted and filed with the Nassau County Legislature a proposed budget of the County of Nassau for Nassau Community College for the fiscal year commencing September 1, 2021 and ending August 31, 2022 together with her budget message and recommendations relative to the items set forth in said proposed County budget for Nassau Community College; and

WHEREAS, the Nassau County Legislature, after the filing of said proposed County budget for Nassau Community College, gave due notice pursuant to law of a public hearing to be held on said proposed budget; and

WHEREAS, said hearing has been duly held and this Nassau County Legislature has given consideration and due deliberation to each and all of the items which are set forth in said proposed budget of the County of Nassau for Nassau Community College, as well as the recommendations of the County Executive thereon, and to the statements of all persons who were heard at such hearing; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the County Legislature of the County of Nassau, as follows:



Section 1. The proposed budget of the County of Nassau for Nassau Community College heretofore submitted and filed by the County Executive with the Nassau County Legislature be and the same hereby is approved and adopted as the budget of the County of Nassau for Nassau Community College for the fiscal year commencing September 1, 2021 and ending August 31, 2022 in the respective amounts shown opposite the items listed in said budget and as shown under the heading: "Proposed Budget" for Nassau Community College for the fiscal year ending August 31, 2022 said budget now being on file with the Clerk of the Legislature.

§ 2. The Legislature of Nassau County does hereby appropriate for the requirements of Nassau Community College for the fiscal year commencing September 1, 2021 and ending August 31, 2022 the several amounts specified for expenditures as follows:

Proposed Budget

NASSAU COMMUNITY COLLEGE OPERATIONS

TOTAL EXPENDITURES \$ 192,154,289

**TOTAL APPROPRIATION FOR  
NASSAU COMMUNITY COLLEGE PURPOSES \$ 192,154,289**

§ 3. The following estimated revenues are hereby appropriated and made available for the purposes set forth in the budget of the County of Nassau for Nassau Community College for the fiscal year commencing September 1, 2021 and ending August 31, 2022.

Amount of tax levy (pursuant to annual tax levy ordinance to be approved by the Nassau County Legislature at the time of the adoption of the Nassau County budget for 2022) \$ 52,206,883

**TOTAL REVENUE \$ 192,154,289**

§ 4. There are hereby established regulations relating to the budget of the Community College as follows:

a. The payment of the County's share of the Community College's operating and capital costs as the local sponsor shall be made in conformance with the sponsor's annual budgetary appropriation as contained in this ordinance or as hereafter amended.

b. The payment of all appropriations for the operation, maintenance and capital costs of the Community College shall be made to the Board of Trustees of Nassau Community College for expenditure by such Board of Trustees subject to the terms and conditions of such appropriations appearing in this ordinance and to such regulations as may be adopted or hereafter amended by the Nassau County Legislature relating to the custody, deposit, audit and payment of such appropriations as may be deemed necessary to carry out the terms of the budget.

c. The Board of Trustees of the Community College is authorized to elect a treasurer and to establish a bank account or accounts in the name of Nassau Community College depositing therein moneys received or collected by Nassau Community College, including moneys appropriated and paid by the County of Nassau as local sponsor, moneys received from tuition, fees, charges, sales of products and services and from all other sources. The Board of Trustees of Nassau Community College shall authorize the treasurer to pay all proper bills and accounts of Nassau Community College including salaries and wages from funds in the custody of the Board of Trustees of Nassau Community College.

d. Nassau Community College is authorized to expend funds consistent with this ordinance pursuant to limited purchase orders, purchase orders, delivery orders, personal service contracts, vendor claim vouchers, revenue refund vouchers, student financial aid refunds and balance sheet vouchers without pre-audit by the Nassau County Comptroller, provided, however, that the Nassau County Comptroller shall retain the right to pre-audit Community College expenditures relative to capital projects.

e. Supplemental appropriations relating to Nassau Community College shall be subject to the approval of the Nassau County Legislature.

f. The County Comptroller shall continue to retain the right to post-audit all operations of Nassau Community College and Nassau Community College's financial records and transactions, including, but not limited to, Nassau Community College's contracts and vendor payments.

g. The capital project plan proposed each year by the Board of Trustees of Nassau Community College shall be subject to the approval of the Nassau County Legislature as the local sponsor.

h. The Board of Trustees of Nassau Community College shall direct the Nassau Community College Comptroller to audit accounts maintained at its direction on at least a semi-annual basis and a copy of any report of such accounts of Nassau Community College shall be filed with the Clerk of the Nassau County Legislature and the Nassau County Comptroller within ten days after completion of the report.

i. The Nassau County Legislature reserves the right to amend or rescind any existing regulation pertaining to the budget and to amend or rescind any regulation pertaining to the budget that may hereafter be adopted.

j. The Nassau County Treasurer shall be available to serve as treasurer for Nassau Community College pursuant to the designation of the Board of Trustees of Nassau Community College of March 9, 1993.

§ 5. The provisions of this Ordinance shall be incorporated as an addendum to the printed version of the final adopted budget document for Nassau Community College.

§ 6. This ordinance may be modified to allow for the correction of any mathematical and/or typographical errors subsequent to any approval and adoption of said ordinance without the necessity for a vote to be taken by the County Legislature or by the members of any committee of said Legislature.

§ 7. It is hereby determined pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, its implementing regulations, and section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County that the adoption of this ordinance is a “Type II” Action within the meaning of Section 617.5(c)(26) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R, and, accordingly, is a class of actions which do not have a significant effect on the environment and no further review is required. A record of such determination shall be maintained in a file, readily accessible to the public, at the office of the Clerk of the Legislature.

§ 8. This Ordinance shall take effect on September 1, 2021.



**PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 51 - 2021**

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR A CAPITAL EXPENDITURE TO FINANCE THE CAPITAL PROJECT IDENTIFIED HEREIN WITHIN THE COUNTY OF NASSAU AND AUTHORIZING \$284,976,622 OF BONDS OF THE COUNTY OF NASSAU TO FINANCE SUCH EXPENDITURE PURSUANT TO THE LOCAL FINANCE LAW OF NEW YORK AND THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT LAW OF NASSAU COUNTY.

WHEREAS, this bond ordinance is necessary to authorize bonds for the purpose of funding projects contemplated by capital budgets as provided in Section 310 of the County Government Law of Nassau County; and

WHEREAS, all necessary Federal, State, County and local permits, approvals and determinations of environmental impact for the purpose or purposes hereinafter referred to have been obtained or will have been obtained prior to the expenditure of proceeds of obligations to be authorized pursuant to this ordinance; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED, by the affirmative vote of not less than two-thirds (2/3<sup>rd</sup>) of the total voting strength of the County Legislature of the County of Nassau, New York, as follows:

Section 1. A capital expenditure for financing the cost of various objects or purposes, as described in the preambles hereto and identified under the heading “Project” on Appendix A attached hereto and incorporated herein, in the County of Nassau (hereinafter referred to as the “County”), is hereby authorized upon recommendation of the County Executive, the amount of such capital expenditure to be \$284,976,622 which shall be financed with the proceeds from the issuance of \$284,976,622 bonds.

Section 2. The County may issue its bonds in the aggregate principal amount of \$284,976,622 pursuant to the Local Finance Law of New York (hereinafter referred to as the “LFL”) in order to finance such objects or purposes or classes of objects or purposes (hereinafter referred to as the “Purpose”) described in Section 1 hereof.

Section 3. The County Legislature has determined and hereby states that the estimated aggregate maximum cost of such Purpose, including preliminary costs and costs incidental thereto and the financing thereof, is \$284,976,622. The plan of financing includes \$284,976,622 to be raised by the issuance of bonds authorized by this ordinance, and the levy and collection of taxes on all the taxable real property of the County to pay the principal of said bonds and the interest thereon as the same shall be come due and payable.

Section 4. The County Legislature hereby determines that the periods of probable usefulness (each, a “PPU”) of each component Project of the Purpose for which said \$284,976,622 bonds authorized pursuant to this ordinance are to be issued, within the limitations of the applicable subdivision of paragraph a. of Section 11.00 of the Law identified under the heading “LFL” on Appendix A attached hereto and incorporated herein, are identified under the heading “PPU” on said Appendix A.

Section 5. Subject to the terms and conditions of this ordinance and the LFL, and pursuant to the provisions of the LFL, the powers and duties of the County Legislature relative to authorizing the issuance of and to sell bond anticipation notes in anticipation of the issuance and sale of the bonds herein authorized, including renewals of such notes, is hereby delegated to the County Treasurer, the chief fiscal officer. Such notes shall be of such terms, form and contents, and shall be sold in such manner, as may be prescribed by said County Treasurer, consistent with the provisions of the LFL.

Section 6. All other matters except as provided herein relating to the bonds herein authorized including the date, denominations, maturities and interest payment dates, within the limitations prescribed herein and the manner of execution of the same, including the consolidation with other bond issues, and also the ability to issue bonds with substantially level

or declining annual debt service, shall be determined by the County Treasurer, the chief fiscal officer of such County.

Section 7. The faith and credit of the County are hereby irrevocably pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on such bonds and notes as the same become due and payable. An annual appropriation shall be made in each year sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on such bonds and notes becoming due and payable in such year.

Section 8. The validity of such bonds and bond anticipation notes may be contested only if:

- 1) Such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which said County is not authorized to expend money, or
- 2) The provisions of law which should be complied with as the date of publication of this ordinance are not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty (20) days after the date of such publication, or
- 3) Such obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.

Section 9. This ordinance shall constitute a statement of official intent for purposes of Treasury Regulations Section 1.150-2. Other than as specified in this ordinance, no monies are, or are reasonably expected to be, reserved, allocated on a long-term basis, or otherwise set aside with respect to the permanent funding of the object or purpose described herein.

Section 10. This ordinance, which takes effect immediately, shall be published in summary in the official newspaper of said County together with a notice of the Clerk of the County Legislature in substantially the form set forth in paragraph a of Section 81.00 of the Local Finance Law.



Section 11. It is hereby determined pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act (“SEQRA”), 8 N.Y.E.C.L. Section 0101 et seq. and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County that each Project identified on Appendix A attached hereto, if any, and incorporated herein as “Type II”, if any, under the heading “SEQRA” is a “Type II Action” within the meaning of Section 617.5(c) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and, accordingly, is of a class of actions which do not have a significant effect on the environment and no further review is required. A record of each such determination shall be maintained in a file, readily accessible to the public, at the office of the Clerk of the Legislature.

Section 12. This ordinance, including Appendix A, may be modified to allow for the correction of any mathematical and/or typographical errors subsequent to any approval and adoption of said ordinance without the necessity for a vote to be taken by the County Legislature or by the members of any Standing Committee of said Legislature if said ordinance is passed by the affirmative vote of said Legislature.





Main	Category	Project Number	Formatted Project Title	Proposed BO	PPU	LFL	SEQRA	6 NYCRR
General Capital	Buildings	90043	One West Street Rehabilitation Phase II	\$ 219,000.00	25	11.00.a.12(a)(1)	Type II	617.5(c)(2)
General Capital	Buildings	90047	Electric Vehicle Charging Stations	\$ 433,723.00	5	11.00.a.32	Type II	617.5(c)(18)
General Capital	Buildings	90400	Various County Facilities - General Construction	\$ 5,000,000.00	25	11.00.a.12(a)(1)	Type II	617.5(c)1,2
General Capital	Buildings	90402	Various County Facilities - HVAC Construction	\$ 208,000.00	10	11.00.a.90	Type II	617.5 (c) 1, 2
General Capital	Buildings	90403	Various County Facilities - Plumbing Construction	\$ 389,000.00	10	11.00.a.13	Type II	617.5(c)1,2
General Capital	Buildings	90404	Various County Facilities – Fire Alarm/Protection and Security Systems	\$ 950,000.00	10	11.00.a.25	Type II	617.5(c)1,2
General Capital	Buildings	90406	Various County Facilities - Design	\$ 500,000.00	5	11.00.a.62(a)	Type II	617.5(c)(21)
General Capital	Buildings	90407	Various County Facilities - Elevators	\$ 585,000.00	10	11.00.a.13	Type II	617.5(c)(2)
General Capital	Buildings	90612	Generator Upgrade - Various Buildings	\$ 120,000.00	10	11.00.a.13	Type II	617.5(c)25
General Capital	Buildings	90618	Various County Buildings Roof Renovation	\$ 1,833,000.00	25	11.00.a.12(a)(1)	Type II	617.5 (c) 1, 2
General Capital	Buildings	90625	Various Asbestos & Lead Abatement	\$ 700,000.00	10	11.00.a.12-a(b)	Type II	617.5(c)(2),(33)
General Capital	Buildings	90640	County Health Department Relocation	\$ 1,720,000.00	25	11.00.a.12(a)(1)	Type II	617.5(c)(2)
General Capital	Buildings	90644	Various HVAC Improvements Park Facilities	\$ 3,678,000.00	10	11.00.a.90	Type II	617.5 (c) 1, 2
General Capital	Buildings	90792	Five Towns Community Center, Lawrence Improvements	\$ 250,000.00	25	11.00.a.12(a)(1)	Type II	617.5(c)2,25
General Capital	Education	70080	NCC Security System Expansion	\$ 125,000.00	10	11.00.a.25	Type II	617.5(c)2,25
General Capital	Education	70086	NCC West/South Campus Parking Lot Rehab	\$ 325,000.00	10	11.00.a.20(f)	Type II	617.5(c)(2)
General Capital	Education	70089	NCC Space Consolidation	\$ 250,000.00	25	11.00.a.12(a)(1)	Type II	617.5 (c)(18)
General Capital	Education	70092	NCC Road and Parking Paving	\$ 1,000,000.00	10	11.00.a.90	Type II	617.5(c)(4)
General Capital	Education	70106	NCC Academic Department Renovations	\$ 3,000,000.00	25	11.00.a.12(a)(1)	Type II	617.5(c)(2)
General Capital	Education	70124	NCC Emergency Renovations/Replacements	\$ 1,500,000.00	25	11.00.a.12(a)(1)	Type II	617.5(c)(18)
General Capital	Equipment	98060	Road Maintenance Equipment Replacement	\$ 800,000.00	15	11.00.a.28	Type II	617.5(c)25
General Capital	Equipment	98092	Snow Removal Truck Replacement	\$ 4,250,000.00	15	11.00.a.28	Type II	617.5 (c) 25
General Capital	Equipment	98347	Traffic Management Equipment	\$ 50,000.00	20	11.00.a.72(a)	Type II	617.5(c)(2)
General Capital	Infrastructure	63035	Sands Point Bridge	\$ 2,000,000.00	20	11.00.a.10	Type II	617.5(c)(27)
General Capital	Infrastructure	63400	Civil Site Studies	\$ 350,000.00	5	11.00.a.62(a)	Type II	617.5(c)(18)
General Capital	Infrastructure	66016	Countywide Tree Management Program	\$ 650,000.00	5	11.00.a.57	Type II	617.5(c)(2)
General Capital	Infrastructure	66017	Countywide Fencing Improvements	\$ 375,000.00	5	11.00.a.35	Type II	617.5(c)(1)
General Capital	Infrastructure	81060	County Storage Tank Replacement Program	\$ 1,500,000.00	10	11.00.a.90	Type II	617.5(c)(2)
General Capital	Infrastructure	99206	Various County Projects	\$ 11,400,000.00	5	11.00.a.89	Type II	617.5(c)(7),(18),(25)
General Capital	Parks	41009	Polaris Field Upgrades	\$ 300,000.00	15	11.00.a.19(c)	Type II	617.5(C)(1)
General Capital	Parks	41015	Joysetta & Julius Pierce African American Museum Improvements	\$ 500,000.00	25	11.00.a.12(a)(1)	Type II	617.5(c)1,2
General Capital	Parks	41410	Battlerow Campground Improvement	\$ 25,000.00	15	11.00.a.19(c)	Type II	617.5 (c)(18)
General Capital	Parks	41826	Various Parks Preserve Buildings Rehabilitation	\$ 1,250,000.00	25	11.00.a.12(a)(1)	Type II	617.5(c)(2)
General Capital	Parks	41855	Parks Equipment Replacement	\$ 1,250,000.00	5	11.00.a.32	Type II	617.5(c)(2)
General Capital	Parks	41858	County Pools Improvements and Code Compliance	\$ 908,000.00	15	11.00.a.61	Type II	617.5(c)(2)
General Capital	Parks	41861	Various County Park Buildings - Infrastructure Improvements	\$ 3,500,000.00	15	11.00.a.12(a)(2)	Type II	617.5(c)(2)
General Capital	Parks	41864	Park Furnishings	\$ 350,000.00	15	11.00.a.19(c)	Type II	617.5(c)(25)
General Capital	Parks	41869	Various Park Improvements	\$ 9,266,000.00	15	11.00.a.19(c)	Type II	617.5(c)(2)
General Capital	Parks	41876	Centennial Park Improvements	\$ 3,059,000.00	15	11.00.a.19(c)	Type II	617.5(c)(2)
General Capital	Parks	41879	Bayville Park Improvements	\$ 50,000.00	15	11.00.a.19(c)	Type II	617.5(c)(2)
General Capital	Parks	41891	Silver Lake Park Multi-Use Path Improvements	\$ 3,000,000.00	15	11.00.a.19(c)	Type II	617.5(c) (2)
General Capital	Public Safety	14006	Med Exam Toxicology Lab	\$ 22,000.00	5	11.00.a.32	Type II	617.5(c)(25)
General Capital	Public Safety	50210	Live Scan Replacement	\$ 2,827,000.00	5	11.00.a.32	Type II	617.5(c)(25)
General Capital	Public Safety	50570	Police Department Computer Aided Dispatch System	\$ 5,588,000.00	10	11.00.a.82(a)	Type II	617.5(c)(25)
General Capital	Public Safety	50617	Police Department and other Agencies Bullet Proof Vests	\$ 400,000.00	5	11.00.a.86(a)	Type II	617.5(c)25
General Capital	Public Safety	50619	Police Department Ambulance Replacement	\$ 1,656,000.00	10	11.00.a.27-a	Type II	617.5(c)25
General Capital	Public Safety	50622	Police Department Specialty Vehicle Replacement	\$ 2,428,342.00	3	11.00.a.77	Type II	617.5(c)(25)
General Capital	Public Safety	50686	Police Fleet Replacement	\$ 9,856,000.00	3	11.00.a.77	Type II	617.5(c)(25)
General Capital	Public Safety	50696	Local Municipality Interoperable Radio System	\$ 65,388,000.00	10	11.00.a.25	Type II	617.5(c)(2), (25), (20)

General Capital	Public Safety	50699	Police Academy	\$ 13,000,000.00	25	11.00.a.12(a)(1)	Type II	617.4(6)(i)
General Capital	Public Safety	50700	Police Department Headquarters Renovation	\$ 2,000,000.00	25	11.00.a.12(a)(1)	Type II	617.5(e) (1)
General Capital	Public Safety	50702	Police Department Taser	\$ 660,000.00	5	11.00.a.32	Type II	617.5(c)(31)
General Capital	Public Safety	50703	Police Department Body Cameras	\$ 5,000,000.00	5	11.00.a.32	Type II	617.5(c)(31)
General Capital	Public Safety	50704	Police Reform Act - Enhancement of Public Areas	\$ 300,000.00	5	11.00.a.62(a)	Type II	617.5(e)(18)
General Capital	Public Safety	51037	Correctional Center Master Plan	\$ 2,020,000.00	25	11.00.a.12(a)(1)	Type II	617.5(c)(2)
General Capital	Public Safety	51460	Sheriff's Vehicles	\$ 318,000.00	3	11.00.a.77	Type II	617.5(c)(25)
General Capital	Public Safety	52029	Fire Marshall Fleet Replacement	\$ 162,000.00	3	11.00.a.77	Type II	617.5(c)(25)
General Capital	Public Safety	52031	Fire Comm Radio Project	\$ 200,000.00	10	11.00.a.25	Type II	617.5(c)(18),(25)
General Capital	Public Safety	52032	Fire Comm Computer Aided Dispatch	\$ 399,000.00	10	11.00.a.25	Type II	617.5(c)(25)
General Capital	Public Safety	72490	Fire Service Academy, Various Improvements	\$ 533,340.00	25	11.00.a.12(a)(1)	Type II	617.5(c)18
General Capital	Public Safety	72494	Fire Service Academy Master Plan	\$ 500,000.00	25	11.00.a.12(a)(1)	Type II	617.5(c)(2)
General Capital	Roads	61141	Rockaway Avenue, Garden City, Road Reconfiguration	\$ 151,000.00	15	11.00.a.20(d)	Type II	617.5(c)16
General Capital	Roads	61142	Washington Avenue, Plainview Improvements	\$ 151,000.00	15	11.00.a.20(d)	Type II	617.5(c)16
General Capital	Roads	61146	Main Street, Farmingdale Streetscape	\$ 151,000.00	10	11.00.a.20(f)	Type II	617.5(c)(2)
General Capital	Roads	61147	Nassau Boulevard Median Refurbishment	\$ 151,000.00	15	11.00.a.20(d)	Type II	617.5(c)16
General Capital	Roads	61148	Lincoln and Atlantic Avenue, Oceanside Improvements	\$ 151,000.00	15	11.00.a.20(d)	Type II	617.5(c)(2)
General Capital	Roads	61150	Washington Avenue, Hempstead Streetscape	\$ 300,000.00	5	11.00.a.89	Type II	617.5(c)(2)
General Capital	Roads	61151	Franklin Avenue, Hempstead Streetscape	\$ 300,000.00	5	11.00.a.89	Type II	617.5(c)(2)
General Capital	Roads	61152	Linden Blvd., Elmont Traffic Safety Improvements and Streetscape	\$ 150,000.00	5	11.00.a.89	Type II	617.5(c)(2)
General Capital	Roads	61157	Clinton Road Rehabilitation	\$ 100,000.00	15	11.00.a.20(c)(d)	Type II	617.5(c)(2)
General Capital	Roads	61570	Remove and Replace Curbs and Sidewalks	\$ 500,000.00	10	11.00.a.24	Type II	617.5(c)(2)
General Capital	Roads	61587	Resurfacing Various County Roads	\$ 22,500,000.00	15	11.00.a.20(c)(d)	Type II	617.5(c)(4)
General Capital	Technology	97008	DPW Management Information System	\$ 100,000.00	5	11.00.a.32	Type II	617.5(c)(25)
General Capital	Technology	97101	HR, Payroll, and Benefit System	\$ 200,000.00	5	11.00.a.32	Type II	617.5(c)(25)
General Capital	Technology	97103	eGovernment	\$ 1,150,000.00	5	11.00.a.32	Type II	617.5(c)18,25
General Capital	Technology	97104	Disaster Recovery Plan	\$ 370,000.00	5	11.00.a.32	Type II	617.5 (c) 25
General Capital	Technology	97109	NIFS Upgrade / ERP System	\$ 2,700,000.00	10	11.00.a.81(a)	Type II	617.5(c)(25)
General Capital	Technology	97113	Departmental Technology Equipment Replacement	\$ 1,250,000.00	5	11.00.a.32	Type II	617.5(c)(25)
General Capital	Technology	97118	Server and Equipment Consolidation	\$ 250,000.00	5	11.00.a.32	Type II	617.5(c)25
General Capital	Technology	97119	Network Infrastructure	\$ 1,050,000.00	5	11.00.a.32	Type II	617.5(c)(18),(25)
General Capital	Technology	97126	Countywide Document Management Program	\$ 500,000.00	5	11.00.a.32	Type II	617.5(c)(18),(25)
General Capital	Technology	97135	VOIP Implementation	\$ 115,000.00	5	11.00.a.32	Type II	617.5(c)(18)(25)
General Capital	Traffic	62017	Traffic Signal Construction & Modification	\$ 14,591,000.00	20	11.00.a.72(a)	Type II	617.5(c)(11),(16)
General Capital	Traffic	62181	Traffic Signal Communications Phase II	\$ 750,000.00	20	11.00.a.72(a)	Type II	617.5(c)(11),(16)
General Capital	Traffic	62191	Merrick Road Signal Head Replacement	\$ 750,000.00	20	11.00.a.72(a)	Type II	617.5(c)(2)(25)
General Capital	Traffic	62201	Traffic Calming Improvements	\$ 1,176,000.00	20	11.00.a.72(a)	Type II	617.5(c)(22)
General Capital	Traffic	62219	North Central Avenue, Valley Stream Pedestrian Safety Improvements	\$ 100,000.00	20	11.00.a.72(a)	Type II	617.5(c)(2)
General Capital	Traffic	62221	Charles Lindbergh Blvd Access / Egress Study	\$ 250,000.00	20	11.00.a.72(a)	Type II	617.5(c)(2)
General Capital	Traffic	62222	Nassau Blvd Traffic Calming & Safety Improvements	\$ 500,000.00	20	11.00.a.72(a)	Type II	617.5(c)(2)
General Capital	Traffic	62223	Lido Blvd Traffic Calming and Safety Improvements Construction	\$ 500,000.00	20	11.00.a.72(a)	Type II	617.5(c)(2)
General Capital	Traffic	62224	Brookside Ave Traffic Calming and Safety Improvements Construction	\$ 75,000.00	20	11.00.a.72(a)	Type II	617.5(c)(2)
General Capital	Traffic	62225	Bellmore Avenue Traffic Calming and Safety Improvements Construction	\$ 275,000.00	20	11.00.a.72(a)	Type II	617.5(c)(2)(16)(18)
General Capital	Traffic	62313	Traffic Sign Replacement - Phase V	\$ 750,000.00	10	11.00.a.72(b)	Type II	617.5(c)(2)(16)
General Capital	Traffic	62461	Merrick Avenue Signal Expansion	\$ 861,000.00	20	11.00.a.72(a)	Type II	617.5(c)(16)
General Capital	Traffic	62462	Traffic Signal Expansion Phase X	\$ 250,000.00	20	11.00.a.72(a)	Type II	617.5(c)(16)
General Capital	Traffic	62500	Traffic Studies	\$ 3,500,000.00	5	11.00.a.62(a)	Type II	617.5(c)(16),(25)
General Capital	Traffic	62502	Traffic Safety Master Plan	\$ 1,000,000.00	5	11.00.a.62	Type II	617.5(c)(2)
General Capital	Traffic	62565	Incident Management Phase V	\$ 420,000.00	20	11.00.a.72(a)	Type II	617.5(c)(16),(25)
General Capital	Traffic	62900	Baldwin Complete Streets	\$ 650,000.00	5	11.00.a.89	Type II	617.5(c)(18)
General Capital	Transportation	91030	Purex Site Redevelopment	\$ 2,000,000.00	10	11.00.a.12-a(b)	Type II	617.5(c)(27)
General Capital	Transportation	91080	NICE - Alternative Fuel Buses	\$ 115,000.00	10	11.00.a.29-a	Type II	617.5(c)(2)
General Capital	Transportation	91083	NICE - Grant Match	\$ 2,500,000.00	10	11.00.a.29-a	Type II	617.5(c)(2)
General Capital	Transportation	91120	NICE - Grant Match	\$ 750,000.00	10	11.00.a.29-a	Type II	617.5(c)(25)

General Capital	Transportation	91121	NICE - Grant Match	\$ 1,000,000.00	5	11.00.a.89	Type II	617.5(c)(25)
General Capital	Transportation	92033	Hub Development Fund	\$ 2,000,000.00	20	11.00.a.72(a)	Type II	617.5(c)(16).(25)
Sewer and Storm Water Resource	Collection	30051	SD2 Interceptor Corrosion Survey & Rehabilitation	\$ 1,500,000.00	40	11.00.a.4	Type II	617.5(c)(2), (18)
Sewer and Storm Water Resource	Collection	35101	Lateral Sewer Repair	\$ 2,081,000.00	40	11.00.a.4	Type II	617.5(c)(2)
Sewer and Storm Water Resource	Collection	35110	Force Mains/Pump Stations Cedarhurst/Lawrence	\$ 501,000.00	40	11.00.a.4	Type II	617.5(c)(21)
Sewer and Storm Water Resource	Disposal	35117	Wastewater Facilities Security Improvements	\$ 3,000,000.00	40	11.00.a.4	Type II	617.5(c)(2)(18)(25)
Sewer and Storm Water Resource	Disposal	35130	Countywide Collection and Disposal System Upgrades	\$ 13,221,000.00	40	11.00.a.4	Type II	617.5(c)(2)
Sewer and Storm Water Resource	Disposal	3C067	Cedar Creek Equipment Replacement	\$ 6,715,000.00	40	11.00.a.4	Type II	617.5(c)(2)
Sewer and Storm Water Resource	Storm Water	35125	Whitney Drain Rehabilitation Phase II	\$ 250,000.00	40	11.00.a.4	Type II	617.5(c)(2)(6)
Sewer and Storm Water Resource	Storm Water	80020	Brookside Creek	\$ 2,500,000.00	40	11.00.a.4	Type II	617.5(c)(25)
Sewer and Storm Water Resource	Storm Water	80046	Newbridge Creek Flooding Mitigation	\$ 5,400,000.00	40	11.00.a.4	Type II	617.5(c)(27)
Sewer and Storm Water Resource	Storm Water	82001	Drainage Stream Corridors Reconstruction	\$ 674,217.00	40	11.00.a.4	Type II	617.5(c)(2)
Sewer and Storm Water Resource	Storm Water	82008	Rehabilitation of Storm Water Basins	\$ 1,000,000.00	40	11.00.a.4	Type II	617.5(c)(2)
Environmental Bond Act	EBA	9E100 046	Roslyn Pond Park	\$ 205,000.00	5	11.00.a.(22)c	Type II	617.5(c)(2)

AN ORDINANCE MAKING CERTAIN DETERMINATIONS PURSUANT TO THE STATE ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW ACT AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY OF NASSAU TO EXECUTE A LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF NASSAU AND NY YOUTH SPORTS NETWORK, INC. OF CERTAIN PREMISES IN UNIONDALE, TOWN OF HEMPSTEAD, COUNTY OF NASSAU, NEW YORK

WHEREAS, the NY Youth Sports Network, Inc. (the “Tenant”) has requested a lease agreement (the “Lease”) for construction, development, operation and maintenance of a recreation and education facility, and other amenities at the Mitchel Field Navy Gym (the “Gym”), accommodating a wide range of sports, recreation, exhibition, wellness, public interests and community events, consistent with the interests of the surrounding communities and for the public recreational benefit of all County residents, including enhancing recreational and educational opportunities for disadvantaged youths, at the Gym and parts of Section 44, Block F, Lots 382 and 417; and

WHEREAS, in connection with the potential development of the Gym, Smith & Drake, dba Smith & DeGroat, operating pursuant to contract #CQPK17000001 for the management of the Parks’ Landmark Portfolio, of which the Gym is an included property, issued a Request for Proposals No. PK1218-1966 on December 19, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the County selected the Operator as the winning proposer, based on the view that the Operator, a New York not-for-profit corporation, is a well-qualified to develop, facilitate, improve and enhance the public use and enjoyment of the Premises and provide community services to benefit residents of the County, and the County wishes to provide for the long-term operation and maintenance of the Premises; and

WHEREAS, the proposed action, the grant of a Lease by the County of Nassau to the Tenant, is an “Unlisted Action” pursuant to the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (“SEQRA”), as recommended by the Nassau County Planning Commission to the Nassau County Legislature as lead agency and as such will have no significant environmental impact and does not require further environmental review.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE COUNTY OF NASSAU AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. That the County Executive be and is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the County of Nassau, the Lease from the County of Nassau to the Tenant as lessee, and to execute any ancillary documents and instruments necessary to effectuate the Lease.

SECTION 2. that it is hereby determined pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, 8 N.Y.E.C.L. Section 0101 et seq. and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County, that the proposed Lease does not have a significant effect on the environment and no further review is required.

SECTION 3. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately.



PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 53 - 2021

AN ORDINANCE MAKING CERTAIN DETERMINATIONS PURSUANT TO THE STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW ACT AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE OF THE COUNTY OF NASSAU TO ACCEPT, ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY OF NASSAU, AN OFFER OF PURCHASE FROM DENGU, INC. OF CERTAIN PREMISES LOCATED IN UNIONDALE, COUNTY OF NASSAU, STATE OF NEW YORK, SAID PROPERTY TO BE SUBDIVIDED AND SOLD KNOWN AS SECTION 44 BLOCK F PART OF LOTS 400 AND 417, FORMERLY KNOWN AS SECTION 44 BLOCK F PART OF LOT 408 ON THE LAND AND TAX MAP OF THE COUNTY OF NASSAU, AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT OF SALE, DEED AND ALL PERTINENT DOCUMENTS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH TO CONSUMMATE THE SUBDIVISION AND SALE.

WHEREAS, the County of Nassau did heretofore acquire title to the premises;  
and

WHEREAS, the premises to be sold are no longer required by the County of Nassau for public purposes; and

WHEREAS, the County of Nassau, acting by and through its Office of Real Estate Services, has issued RFP# RE 1221-1533 (the "RFP") for the Purchase and Development of Real Property; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the RFP, Dengo, Inc. has requested that the County of Nassau convey to it the aforesaid parcel and has made an offer of One-Hundred Eighty Thousand (\$180,000.00) Dollars, pursuant to a certain Contract of Sale, a copy of which is on file in the office of the Clerk of the Nassau County Legislature; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 1611 of the Nassau County Charter and acting in an advisory capacity to the Nassau County Legislature, the Nassau County Planning Commission has reviewed the proposed action and recommended that it be classified as an “Unlisted Action” pursuant to the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (“SEQRA”), and has further reviewed the Environmental Assessment Form (“EAF”) for the proposed action and recommends that the Nassau County Legislature upon review of the EAF and any supporting documentation, if any, determine that the evidence before it indicates that the proposed action will have no significant environmental impact and does not require further environmental review; and

WHEREAS, the Nassau County Planning Commission, acting in an advisory capacity to the Nassau County Legislature, passed a resolution or resolutions regarding the proposed action, a copy of such resolution being attached hereto as Appendix A and incorporated herein, recommending that the Nassau County Legislature conclude that no further environmental review or action is required on such proposed action.

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE COUNTY OF NASSAU AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. That the County Executive be and she is hereby authorized to accept the offer of purchase of Dengo, Inc. in the sum of One-Hundred Eighty Thousand (\$180,000.00) Dollars for said premises described as Section 44, Block F, Part of Lot 417, formerly known as Section 44, Block F, Part of Lot 408, on the Land and Tax Map of the County of Nassau subject to all of the terms and conditions as outlined in the contract of sale.

SECTION 2. That the County Executive be and she is hereby authorized to execute the deed from the County of Nassau, as Grantor to Dengo, Inc. as Grantee, and to execute any ancillary documents and instruments necessary to effectuate the terms of the contract of sale and the subdivision of Section 44, Block F, Lots 400 and 417 on the Land

and Tax Map of the County of Nassau pursuant to Nassau County Planning Commission Resolution Number 29-2019, attached hereto as Appendix B and incorporated herein.

SECTION 3. That it is hereby determined pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, 8 N.Y.E.C.L. section 0101 et seq. and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County, that the proposed sale of the property has been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment and that no further review is required for the reasons set forth in the attached Determination of Non-Significance;

SECTION 4. That this Ordinance shall take effect immediately.

**PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 54 –2021**

AN ORDINANCE TO IMPLEMENT THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE  
PROGRAM IN NASSAU COUNTY

WHEREAS, Section 1262-e of the New York Tax Law, as amended by Chapter 58 of the Laws of 2020, extends the Local Government Assistance Program in the County of Nassau through the calendar year beginning on January 1, 2023; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 1262-e of the New York Tax Law and Chapter 4 of Title 9 of the Miscellaneous Laws of Nassau County, funds are to be paid and distributed among the County's towns and cities and among the County's villages under this Program on a per capita basis using the population figures in the latest decennial census; and

WHEREAS, the population figures for towns, cities and villages for the 2020 federal decennial census have not been published to date but may be published prior to the end of the calendar year; and

WHEREAS, if such 2020 census population figures are published on or before December 1, 2021, an amendment of this Ordinance shall be submitted to the Legislature to reflect the updated figures and any necessary reallocation of funds resulting therefrom; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the County Legislature of the County of Nassau, as follows:

Section 1. For the calendar year 2021, there shall be paid to the several towns and two cities of the County of Nassau pursuant to subdivision a of section 2 of Local Law No. 18-1984 as last amended by Local Law No. 8-2020 and as incorporated in chapter 4 of title 9 of the Miscellaneous Laws of Nassau County, the following sums:

Town of Hempstead	\$34,527,043
Town of Oyster Bay	\$13,896,522
Town of North Hempstead	\$10,039,778
City of Long Beach	\$1,591,672
City of Glen Cove	\$1,163,145

§ 2. The sums set forth in section 1 of this ordinance shall be subject to adjustment on a quarterly basis to reflect the actual sales and use tax revenues received by the County of Nassau

from one-third of the three-quarters percent additional rate of such taxes and shall be paid to the cities and towns in four payments, as follows:

- 1<sup>st</sup> payment – June 30, 2021;
- 2<sup>nd</sup> payment – July 30, 2021;
- 3<sup>rd</sup> payment – October 29, 2021; and
- 4<sup>th</sup> payment – January 31, 2022.

§ 3. For the calendar year of 2021, there shall be paid to the villages of the County of Nassau pursuant to subdivision d of section 2 of Local Law No. 18-1984 as last amended by Local Law No. 8-2020 and as incorporated in chapter 4 of title 9 of the Miscellaneous Laws of Nassau County, the following sums:

Atlantic Beach	\$5,254	Baxter Estates	\$2,776
Bayville	\$18,530	Bellerose	\$3,315
Brookville	\$9,628	Cedarhurst	\$18,316
Centre Island	\$1,139	Cove Neck	\$795
East Hills	\$19,325	East Rockaway	\$27,280
East Williston	\$7,102	Farmingdale	\$22,753
Floral Park	\$44,076	Flower Hill	\$12,962
Freeport	\$119,088	Garden City	\$62,159
Great Neck	\$27,755	Great Neck Est.	\$7,672
Great Neck Plaza	\$18,636	Hempstead	\$149,738
Hewlett Bay Park	\$1,123	Hewlett Harbor	\$3,509
Hewlett Neck	\$1,236	Island Park	\$12,934
Kensington	\$3,226	Kings Point	\$13,907
Lake Success	\$8,152	Lattingtown	\$4,832
Laurel Hollow	\$5,424	Lawrence	\$18,013
Lynbrook	\$53,979	Malverne	\$23,656
Manorhaven	\$18,216	Massapequa Park	\$47,257
Matinecock	\$2,251	Mill Neck	\$2,770
Mineola	\$52,234	Munsey Park	\$7,483
Muttontown	\$9,717	New Hyde Park	\$26,985
North Hills	\$14,101	Old Brookville	\$5,929
Old Westbury	\$12,979	Oyster Bay Cove	\$6,104
Plandome	\$3,748	Plandome Hts.	\$2,792
Plandome Manor	\$2,423	Pt. Washington North	\$8,763
Rockville Ctre.	\$66,749	Roslyn	\$7,697
Roslyn Estates	\$3,476	Roslyn Harbor	\$2,920
Russell Gardens	\$2,626	Saddle Rock	\$2,306
Sands Point	\$7,433	Sea Cliff	\$13,879
S. Floral Park	\$4,901	Stewart Manor	\$5,268
Thomaston	\$7,271	Upper Brookville	\$4,718

Valley Stream	\$104,225	Westbury	\$42,084
Williston Park	\$20,247	Woodsburgh	\$2,162

§ 4. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately.



**PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 55 – 2021**

AN ORDINANCE supplemental to an appropriation ordinance in connection with  
the Police Department.

WHEREAS, Nassau County has received certain revenue; and

WHEREAS, such funds have not been otherwise appropriated; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive, by communication dated May 18, 2021, addressed to the County Legislature, has recommended the appropriation of such funds not otherwise appropriated; and,

WHEREAS, this supplemental appropriation is within the scope of Section 307 of the County Government Law; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the County Legislature of the County of Nassau, as follows:

Section 1. There is hereby appropriated from monies not otherwise appropriated, the following sums of money to the following accounts:

<u><b>TOTAL AMOUNT</b></u> (in dollars)	<u><b>SOURCE OF FUNDS</b></u>	<u><b>APPROPRIATED TO:</b></u>			
		<u><b>FUND</b></u>	<u><b>DEPT. CODE/Index</b></u>	<u><b>OBJ. CODE</b></u>	<u><b>AMOUNT</b></u> (in dollars)
\$ 145,869	New York State Board of Elections	GRT	PD	AA	\$ 141,095.00
		GRT	PD	BB	\$3,274
		GRT	PD	DD	\$1,500

§ 2. This ordinance may be modified to allow for the correction of any mathematical and/or typographical errors subsequent to any approval and adoption of said ordinance without the necessity for a vote to be taken by the County Legislature or by the members of any Standing Committee of said Legislature if said ordinance is passed by the affirmative vote of a majority of said Legislature.

§ 3. It is hereby determined, pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, 8 N.Y.E.C.L. Section 0101 et seq. and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6



N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County, that this supplemental appropriation ordinance is a “Type II” Action within the meaning of Section 617.5(c)(26) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R. (“routine or continuing agency administration and management, not including new programs or major reordering of priorities that may affect the environment”), and, accordingly, is of a class of actions which do not have a significant effect on the environment; and no further review is required.

§ 4. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.



**PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 56 – 2021**

AN ORDINANCE supplemental to an appropriation ordinance in connection with the Board of Elections.

WHEREAS, Nassau County has received certain revenue; and

WHEREAS, such funds have not been otherwise appropriated; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive, by communication dated May 18, 2021, addressed to the County Legislature, has recommended the appropriation of such funds not otherwise appropriated; and,

WHEREAS, this supplemental appropriation is within the scope of Section 307 of the County Government Law; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the County Legislature of the County of Nassau, as follows:

Section 1. There is hereby appropriated from monies not otherwise appropriated, the following sums of money to the following accounts:

<u><b>TOTAL AMOUNT</b></u> (in dollars)	<u><b>SOURCE OF FUNDS</b></u>	<u><b>APPROPRIATED TO:</b></u>			
		<u><b>FUND</b></u>	<u><b>DEPT. CODE/Index</b></u>	<u><b>OBJ. CODE</b></u>	<u><b>AMOUNT</b></u> (in dollars)
\$ 483,090.01	New York State Board of Elections	GRT	EL	DD	\$ 483,090.01

§ 2. This ordinance may be modified to allow for the correction of any mathematical and/or typographical errors subsequent to any approval and adoption of said ordinance without the necessity for a vote to be taken by the County Legislature or by the members of any Standing Committee of said Legislature if said ordinance is passed by the affirmative vote of a majority of said Legislature.

§ 3. It is hereby determined, pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, 8 N.Y.E.C.L. Section 0101 et seq. and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County, that this

supplemental appropriation ordinance is a “Type II” Action within the meaning of Section 617.5(c)(26) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R. (“routine or continuing agency administration and management, not including new programs or major reordering of priorities that may affect the environment”), and, accordingly, is of a class of actions which do not have a significant effect on the environment; and no further review is required.

§ 4. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.



**PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 57 – 2021**

AN ORDINANCE supplemental to an appropriation ordinance in connection with the Office of Emergency Management.

WHEREAS, Nassau County has received certain revenue; and

WHEREAS, such funds have not been otherwise appropriated; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive, by communication dated May 27, 2021, addressed to the County Legislature, has recommended the appropriation of such funds not otherwise appropriated; and,

WHEREAS, this supplemental appropriation is within the scope of Section 307 of the County Government Law; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the County Legislature of the County of Nassau, as follows:

Section 1. There is hereby appropriated from monies not otherwise appropriated, the following sums of money to the following accounts:

<u><b>TOTAL AMOUNT</b></u> (in dollars)	<u><b>SOURCE OF FUNDS</b></u>	<u><b>APPROPRIATED TO:</b></u>			
		<u><b>FUND</b></u>	<u><b>DEPT. CODE/Index</b></u>	<u><b>OBJ. CODE</b></u>	<u><b>AMOUNT</b></u> (in dollars)
\$ 50,000	New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services	GRT	EM	DD	\$ 50,000.00

§ 2. This ordinance may be modified to allow for the correction of any mathematical and/or typographical errors subsequent to any approval and adoption of said ordinance without the necessity for a vote to be taken by the County Legislature or by the members of any Standing Committee of said Legislature if said ordinance is passed by the affirmative vote of a majority of said Legislature.

§ 3. It is hereby determined, pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, 8 N.Y.E.C.L. Section 0101 et seq. and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County, that this

supplemental appropriation ordinance is a “Type II” Action within the meaning of Section 617.5(c)(26) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R. (“routine or continuing agency administration and management, not including new programs or major reordering of priorities that may affect the environment”), and, accordingly, is of a class of actions which do not have a significant effect on the environment; and no further review is required.

§ 4. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.





**PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 58 – 2021**

AN ORDINANCE supplemental to an appropriation ordinance in connection with the Office of Emergency Management.

WHEREAS, Nassau County has received certain revenue; and

WHEREAS, such funds have not been otherwise appropriated; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive, by communication dated May 27, 2021, addressed to the County Legislature, has recommended the appropriation of such funds not otherwise appropriated; and,

WHEREAS, this supplemental appropriation is within the scope of Section 307 of the County Government Law; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the County Legislature of the County of Nassau, as follows:

Section 1. There is hereby appropriated from monies not otherwise appropriated, the following sums of money to the following accounts:

<b><u>TOTAL AMOUNT</u></b> (in dollars)	<b><u>SOURCE OF FUNDS</u></b>	<b><u>APPROPRIATED TO:</u></b>			
		<b><u>FUND</u></b>	<b><u>DEPT. CODE/Index</u></b>	<b><u>OBJ. CODE</u></b>	<b><u>AMOUNT</u></b> (in dollars)
\$ 75,000	New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services	GRT	EM	BB	\$ 20,000.00
		GRT	EM	DD	\$11,875.00
		GRT	EM	DE	\$43,125.00

§ 2. This ordinance may be modified to allow for the correction of any mathematical and/or typographical errors subsequent to any approval and adoption of said ordinance without the necessity for a vote to be taken by the County Legislature or by the members of any Standing Committee of said Legislature if said ordinance is passed by the affirmative vote of a majority of said Legislature.

§ 3. It is hereby determined, pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, 8 N.Y.E.C.L. Section 0101 et seq. and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County, that this supplemental appropriation ordinance is a “Type II” Action within the meaning of Section 617.5(c)(26) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R. (“routine or continuing agency administration and management, not including new programs or major reordering of priorities that may affect the environment”), and, accordingly, is of a class of actions which do not have a significant effect on the environment; and no further review is required.

§ 4. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.



**PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 59 – 2021**

AN ORDINANCE supplemental to an appropriation ordinance in connection with  
the Health Department.

WHEREAS, Nassau County has received certain revenue; and

WHEREAS, such funds have not been otherwise appropriated; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive, by communication dated May 27, 2021, addressed to  
the County Legislature, has recommended the appropriation of such funds not otherwise  
appropriated; and,

WHEREAS, this supplemental appropriation is within the scope of Section 307 of the  
County Government Law; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the County Legislature of the County of Nassau, as follows:

Section 1. There is hereby appropriated from monies not otherwise appropriated, the  
following sums of money to the following accounts:

<b><u>TOTAL AMOUNT</u></b> (in dollars)	<b><u>SOURCE OF FUNDS</u></b>	<b><u>APPROPRIATED TO:</u></b>			
		<b><u>FUND</u></b>	<b><u>DEPT. CODE/Index</u></b>	<b><u>OBJ. CODE</u></b>	<b><u>AMOUNT</u></b> (in dollars)
\$ 634,982	Health Research, Inc.	GRT	HE	AA	\$ 406,437.00
		GRT	HE	AB	\$178,831.00
		GRT	HE	BB	\$ 14,000.00
		GRT	HE	DD	\$ 20,000.00
		GRT	HE	DE	\$ 10,000.00
		GRT	HE	HH	\$ 5,714.00

§ 2. This ordinance may be modified to allow for the correction of any mathematical and/or  
typographical errors subsequent to any approval and adoption of said ordinance without the  
necessity for a vote to be taken by the County Legislature or by the members of any Standing  
Committee of said Legislature if said ordinance is passed by the affirmative vote of a majority of  
said Legislature.

§ 3. It is hereby determined, pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, 8 N.Y.E.C.L. Section 0101 et seq. and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County, that this supplemental appropriation ordinance is a “Type II” Action within the meaning of Section 617.5(c)(26) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R. (“routine or continuing agency administration and management, not including new programs or major reordering of priorities that may affect the environment”), and, accordingly, is of a class of actions which do not have a significant effect on the environment; and no further review is required.

§ 4. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.



**PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 60 – 2021**

AN ORDINANCE supplemental to an appropriation ordinance in connection with the Fire Commission.

WHEREAS, Nassau County has received certain revenue; and

WHEREAS, such funds have not been otherwise appropriated; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive, by communication dated June 3, 2021, addressed to the County Legislature, has recommended the appropriation of such funds not otherwise appropriated; and,

WHEREAS, this supplemental appropriation is within the scope of Section 307 of the County Government Law; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the County Legislature of the County of Nassau, as follows:

Section 1. There is hereby appropriated from monies not otherwise appropriated, the following sums of money to the following accounts:

<b><u>TOTAL AMOUNT</u></b> (in dollars)	<b><u>SOURCE OF FUNDS</u></b>	<b><u>APPROPRIATED TO:</u></b>			
		<b><u>FUND</u></b>	<b><u>DEPT. CODE/Index</u></b>	<b><u>OBJ. CODE</u></b>	<b><u>AMOUNT</u></b> (in dollars)
\$ 94,000	New York State Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Services	FCF	FC	AA	\$ 3,500.00
		FCF	FC	AB	\$1,000.00
		FCF	FC	BB	\$79,000.00
		FCF	FC	DD	\$10,500.00

§ 2. This ordinance may be modified to allow for the correction of any mathematical and/or typographical errors subsequent to any approval and adoption of said ordinance without the necessity for a vote to be taken by the County Legislature or by the members of any Standing Committee of said Legislature if said ordinance is passed by the affirmative vote of a majority of said Legislature.

§ 3. It is hereby determined, pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, 8 N.Y.E.C.L. Section 0101 et seq. and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County, that this supplemental appropriation ordinance is a “Type II” Action within the meaning of Section 617.5(c)(26) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R. (“routine or continuing agency administration and management, not including new programs or major reordering of priorities that may affect the environment”), and, accordingly, is of a class of actions which do not have a significant effect on the environment; and no further review is required.

§ 4. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.





**PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 61 – 2021**

AN ORDINANCE supplemental to an appropriation ordinance in connection with  
the Office of the Medical Examiner.

WHEREAS, Nassau County has received certain revenue; and

WHEREAS, such funds have not been otherwise appropriated; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive, by communication dated June 3, 2021, addressed to  
the County Legislature, has recommended the appropriation of such funds not otherwise  
appropriated; and,

WHEREAS, this supplemental appropriation is within the scope of Section 307 of the  
County Government Law; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the County Legislature of the County of Nassau, as follows:

Section 1. There is hereby appropriated from monies not otherwise appropriated, the  
following sums of money to the following accounts:

<b><u>TOTAL AMOUNT</u></b> (in dollars)	<b><u>SOURCE OF FUNDS</u></b>	<b><u>APPROPRIATED TO:</u></b>			
		<b><u>FUND</u></b>	<b><u>DEPT. CODE/Index</u></b>	<b><u>OBJ. CODE</u></b>	<b><u>AMOUNT</u></b> (in dollars)
\$ 504,885.00	New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services	GRT	ME	AA	\$ 64,000.00
		GRT	ME	BB	\$32,500.00
		GRT	ME	DD	\$408,385.00

§ 2. This ordinance may be modified to allow for the correction of any mathematical and/or  
typographical errors subsequent to any approval and adoption of said ordinance without the  
necessity for a vote to be taken by the County Legislature or by the members of any Standing  
Committee of said Legislature if said ordinance is passed by the affirmative vote of a majority of  
said Legislature.

§ 3. It is hereby determined, pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, 8 N.Y.E.C.L. Section 0101 et seq. and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County, that this supplemental appropriation ordinance is a “Type II” Action within the meaning of Section 617.5(c)(26) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R. (“routine or continuing agency administration and management, not including new programs or major reordering of priorities that may affect the environment”), and, accordingly, is of a class of actions which do not have a significant effect on the environment; and no further review is required.

§ 4. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.



**PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 62 – 2021**

AN ORDINANCE supplemental to an appropriation ordinance in connection with the Office of the District Attorney.

WHEREAS, Nassau County has received certain revenue; and

WHEREAS, such funds have not been otherwise appropriated; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive, by communication dated May 20, 2021, addressed to the County Legislature, has recommended the appropriation of such funds not otherwise appropriated; and,

WHEREAS, this supplemental appropriation is within the scope of Section 307 of the County Government Law; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the County Legislature of the County of Nassau, as follows:

Section 1. There is hereby appropriated from monies not otherwise appropriated, the following sums of money to the following accounts:

<b><u>TOTAL AMOUNT</u></b> (in dollars)	<b><u>SOURCE OF FUNDS</u></b>	<b><u>APPROPRIATED TO:</u></b>			
		<b><u>FUND</u></b>	<b><u>DEPT. CODE/Index</u></b>	<b><u>OBJ. CODE</u></b>	<b><u>AMOUNT</u></b> (in dollars)
\$ 501,572	New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services	GRT	CJ	AA	\$ 380,846.00
		GRT	CJ	AB	\$120,726.00

§ 2. This ordinance may be modified to allow for the correction of any mathematical and/or typographical errors subsequent to any approval and adoption of said ordinance without the necessity for a vote to be taken by the County Legislature or by the members of any Standing Committee of said Legislature if said ordinance is passed by the affirmative vote of a majority of said Legislature.

§ 3. It is hereby determined, pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, 8 N.Y.E.C.L. Section 0101 et seq. and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6

N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County, that this supplemental appropriation ordinance is a “Type II” Action within the meaning of Section 617.5(c)(26) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R. (“routine or continuing agency administration and management, not including new programs or major reordering of priorities that may affect the environment”), and, accordingly, is of a class of actions which do not have a significant effect on the environment; and no further review is required.

§ 4. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.



**PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 63 – 2021**

AN ORDINANCE supplemental to an appropriation ordinance in connection with the Office of Management and Budget.

WHEREAS, Nassau County has received certain revenue; and

WHEREAS, such funds have not been otherwise appropriated; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive, by communication dated June 10, 2021, addressed to the County Legislature, has recommended the appropriation of such funds not otherwise appropriated; and,

WHEREAS, this supplemental appropriation is within the scope of Section 307 of the County Government Law; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the County Legislature of the County of Nassau, as follows:

Section 1. There is hereby appropriated from monies not otherwise appropriated, the following sums of money to the following accounts:

<u><b>TOTAL AMOUNT</b></u> (in dollars)	<u><b>SOURCE OF FUNDS</b></u>	<u><b>APPROPRIATED TO:</b></u>			
		<u><b>FUND</b></u>	<u><b>DEPT. CODE/Index</b></u>	<u><b>OBJ. CODE</b></u>	<u><b>AMOUNT</b></u> (in dollars)
\$ 62,900,000	American Rescue Plan	ARP	ES	AA	\$ 350,000
		ARP	ES	AB	\$ 150,000
		ARP	ES	DE	\$ 60,400,000
		ARP	ES	OO	\$ 2,000,000

§ 2. This ordinance may be modified to allow for the correction of any mathematical and/or typographical errors subsequent to any approval and adoption of said ordinance without the necessity for a vote to be taken by the County Legislature or by the members of any Standing Committee of said Legislature if said ordinance is passed by the affirmative vote of a majority of said Legislature.

§ 3. It is hereby determined, pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, 8 N.Y.E.C.L. Section 0101 et seq. and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6



N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County, that this supplemental appropriation ordinance is a “Type II” Action within the meaning of Section 617.5(c)(26) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R. (“routine or continuing agency administration and management, not including new programs or major reordering of priorities that may affect the environment”), and, accordingly, is of a class of actions which do not have a significant effect on the environment; and no further review is required.

§ 4. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.



**PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 126 -2020**

AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE CAPITAL BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF NASSAU FOR THE FIRST YEAR OF THE FOUR-YEAR CAPITAL PLAN, TO COMMENCE ON JANUARY 1, 2021, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 310 OF THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT LAW OF NASSAU COUNTY

WHEREAS, section 310 of the County Government Law of Nassau County requires the County Executive to submit to the Nassau County Legislature (“County Legislature”) a proposed four-year Capital Plan (“Capital Plan”), the first year of which shall be referred to as the Proposed Capital Budget (“Proposed Capital Budget”); and

WHEREAS, on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of October 2020, the County Executive filed with the Clerk of the County Legislature three (3) copies of such Capital Plan and Proposed Capital Budget, together with her capital budget message (“Capital Budget Message”) including a summary and explaining the main features of the Proposed Capital Budget; and

WHEREAS, such Capital Plan includes, pursuant to subdivision a of section 310 of the County Government Law of Nassau County, details, descriptions and projections of proposed capital programs, projects and activities, as well as descriptions and projections regarding all of the proposed funding sources for each capital program, project or activity contained in the Capital Plan; and

WHEREAS, such Capital Plan also includes, pursuant to subdivision a of section 310 of the County Government Law of Nassau County, a report on the outstanding indebtedness of the County and of the Nassau County Interim Finance Authority, a report on previously approved capital programs, projects and activities which have not been completed, a report on authorized but unissued serial bonds, and projections of the County’s outstanding indebtedness assuming completion of pending capital programs, projects and activities and assuming authorization and financing of all proposed capital programs, projects and activities included in such Capital Plan; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive has, pursuant to subdivision a of section 310 of the County Government Law of Nassau County, submitted along with such Capital Plan a Proposed Capital Budget, including a listing of the capital programs, projects and activities, other than

judgments and settlements, which are proposed to be authorized in the first year of the four year capital plan and the cost estimates associated therewith; and

WHEREAS, the County Legislature has, pursuant to subdivision b of section 310 of the County Government Law of Nassau County, made such Capital Plan and Capital Budget Message relating to the Proposed Capital Budget available for public inspection and purchase; and

WHEREAS, the County Legislature has, pursuant to subdivision b of section 310 of the County Government Law of Nassau County, published at least twice, at intervals of one week in the official newspapers, a copy of such Capital Budget Message and duly held a public hearing on such Proposed Capital Budget; and

WHEREAS, the County Legislature has given due consideration and deliberation to each and all of the items which are set forth in such Proposed Capital Budget and to the statements of all persons who were heard at such hearing; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the County Legislature of the County of Nassau as follows:

Section 1. In accordance with the Proposed Capital Budget filed by the County Executive with the Clerk of the County Legislature the capital programs, projects and activities, other than judgments and settlements, which are proposed to be authorized in the first year of the four year capital plan and the cost estimates associated therewith, as identified in Appendix A attached hereto and incorporated herein, are hereby approved and adopted by the County Legislature as the Capital Budget of the County of Nassau for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2021, and ending December 31, 2021.

§ 2. This ordinance, including Appendix A, may be modified to allow for the correction of any mathematical and/or typographical errors subsequent to any approval and adoption of said ordinance without the necessity for a vote to be taken by the County Legislature or by the members of any Standing Committee of said Legislature if said ordinance is passed by the affirmative vote of a majority of said Legislature.

§ 3. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.





## **PROPOSED LOCAL LAW -2021**

A Local Law to amend Article XI of the County Administrative Code to require written notification to Towns, Villages, Cities and School Districts of agreements proposed to be entered into by Nassau County for the operation of multi-unit shelters to be located within such jurisdictions.

BE IT ENACTED by the County Legislature of Nassau County as follows:

Section 1. A new title is hereby added to Article X. Department of Public Welfare of the Nassau County Administrative Code as follows:

### **TITLE A SHELTER AGREEMENT NOTIFICATION**

Section	10-1.0	Legislative Intent
	10-1.1	Required Notifications
	10.1.2	Severability

§10-1.0. Legislative Intent. The purpose of this law is to ensure that elected representatives of the county, towns, villages, cities and school districts are appropriately notified prior to the execution by Nassau County of any contract or agreement for the operation of multi-unit shelters within such jurisdictions. This law will enhance transparency and foster communication between Nassau County and its municipal partners to ensure that all appropriate non-County approvals and permits are secured and that all proposed multi-unit shelters may operate in manner that is fully protective of the life, health, safety and welfare of its occupants.

§10. 1. 1. Required Notifications. At least ten businesses days prior to the execution of any contract or agreement for the provision of shelter facilities in Nassau County, the Department of Social Services shall provide written notification including the proposed terms of any such contract or agreement to the county legislator representing the district where the proposed shelter facilities are to be located, and the town, village, city and school district wherein the proposed shelter facility is to be located.

§ 10.1.2. Severability. If any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, section or part of this local law or the application thereof to any person, individual, corporation, firm, partnership, entity or circumstance shall be adjudged by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unconstitutional, such order or judgment shall not affect, impair, effect or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, section or part of this law or in its application to the person, individual, corporation, firm, partnership, entity or circumstance directly involved in the controversy in which such order or judgment shall be rendered.

§2. S.E.Q.R.A. It is hereby determined, pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, 8 N.Y.E.C.L., section 0101 et seq. and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County, that the adoption of this local law is a "Type II" Action within the meaning of Section 617.5(c)(20) and (27) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and, accordingly, is of a class of actions which do not have a significant effect on the environment; and no further review is required.

§3. Effective date. This local law shall take effect immediately.



PROPOSED LOCAL LAW NO. -2021

A LOCAL LAW TO AMEND THE MISCELLANEOUS LAWS OF NASSAU COUNTY IN RELATION TO THE IMPOSITION OF A PUBLIC SAFETY FEE AND DRIVER RESPONSIBILITY FEE FOR VIOLATIONS ISSUED PURSUANT TO TITLE 86 THEREOF

WHEREAS, Title 86 of the Miscellaneous Laws of Nassau County entitled “VEHICLE OWNER LIABILITY FOR FAILURE OF OPERATOR TO STOP FOR A SCHOOL BUS DISPLAYING A RED VISUAL SIGNAL AND STOP ARM”, authorizes the County to establish a demonstration program imposing monetary liability on owners of vehicles for failure of the operators thereof to comply with section 1174 of the New York Vehicle and Traffic Law when meeting a school bus marked and equipped as provided in subdivisions 20 and 21-c of section 375 of the New York Vehicle and Traffic Law in Nassau County; and

WHEREAS, this demonstration program utilizes school bus photo violation monitoring systems to identify drivers that illegally pass school buses in violation of section 1174 of the New York Vehicle and Traffic Law; and

WHEREAS, Title 86 of the Miscellaneous Laws of Nassau County establishes a statutory penalty for such violations; and

WHEREAS, the magnitude of the minimum fine pursuant to section 1174 renders the imposition of the public safety fee and driver responsibility fee unnecessary; NOW THEREFORE

BE IT ENACTED by the Legislature of the County of Nassau as follows:

Section 1. § 3 of Title 86 of the Miscellaneous Laws of Nassau County is amended as follows:

§ 3. Penalties

An owner liable for a violation of subdivision (a) of section 1174 of the New York Vehicle and Traffic Law pursuant to this local law shall be liable for monetary penalties in accordance with the following schedule of fines and penalties:

- a. Two hundred fifty dollars for a first violation;
- b. Two hundred seventy-five dollars for a second violation committed within eighteen months of the first violation;
- c. Three hundred dollars for a third or subsequent violation all of which were committed within eighteen months from the first violation; and
- d. An additional penalty of twenty-five dollars for each violation for the failure to respond to a notice of liability within the prescribed time period.

- e. Notwithstanding the foregoing or any local law, ordinance, or resolution to the contrary, the Public Safety Fee established by Nassau County Administrative Code § 8-33.0 and the Driver Responsibility Fee set forth by Ordinance No. 168-2017, as may be amended from time to time, shall not be assessed against an owner liable for a violation of subdivision (a) of section 1174 of the New York Vehicle and Traffic Law pursuant to this local law.

## § 2. Severability

If any section or subdivision of this title is held to be wholly or partially invalid by a final decree or a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this title shall be valid, and no other section or subsection shall be deemed invalid.

## § 3. SEQRA Determination

It is hereby determined, pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, 8 N.Y.E.C.L. Section 0101 et seq. and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County, that the adoption of this local law is a “Type II” Action within the meaning of Section 617(c)(20) and (27) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and, accordingly is of a class of actions which do not have a significant effect on the environment, and no further review is required.

## § 4. Effective Date

This law shall take effect immediately.

**PROPOSED LOCAL LAW NO.   -2021**

A LOCAL LAW TO AMEND TITLE 86 OF THE MISCELLANEOUS LAWS OF NASSAU COUNTY, AS ADDED BY LOCAL LAW NO. 19-2019, IN RELATION TO CHANGING TO SIXTY DAYS THE PERIOD THAT A WRITTEN WARNING WILL BE ISSUED IN LIEU OF A NOTICE OF LIABILITY FOLLOWING COMMENCEMENT OF THE SCHOOL BUS PHOTO VIOLATION DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM.

BE IT ENACTED, by the County Legislature of the County of Nassau, as follows:

Section 1. Subdivision f of section 5 of Title 86 of the Miscellaneous Laws of Nassau County, is amended to read as follows:

f.       For the purpose of informing and educating owners of motor vehicles in this County during the first sixty-day period in which a school bus photo violation monitoring system is in operation within a school district pursuant to the provisions of this local law, all owners of motor vehicles who would otherwise be held liable for failure of operators thereof to comply with section 1174 of the New York Vehicle and Traffic Law when meeting a school bus marked and equipped as provided in subdivisions 20 and 21-c of section 375 of such law, shall be issued a written warning in lieu of a notice of liability.

§ 2. It is hereby determined, pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, 8 N.Y.E.C.L. section 0101 et seq. and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and Section 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County, that the imposition of a hotel and motel occupancy tax and distribution of revenue pursuant to Title 24 of the Miscellaneous Laws of Nassau County, as amended, are “Type II” Actions within the meaning of Section 617.5(c)(26) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R. (“routine or continuing agency administration and management, not including new programs or major

reordering of priorities that may affect the environment”), and, accordingly, are of a class of actions which do not have a significant effect on the environment; and no further review is required.

§ 3. This local law shall take effect immediately.

**EMERGENCY RESOLUTION NO. 7-2021**

AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION DECLARING AN EMERGENCY FOR IMMEDIATE ACTION UPON: 1) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO ISSUE FUNDING NOTICES AND/OR ENTER INTO AND EXECUTE AMENDMENTS TO EXISTING COUNTY CONTRACTS ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY'S DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, OFFICE OF YOUTH SERVICES, WITH VARIOUS NOT-FOR-PROFIT AGENCIES THAT ARE FUNDED WITH MONEYS RECEIVED BY THE COUNTY UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN'S CORONAVIRUS LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUND AND WHICH HAVE BEEN SUPPLEMENTALLY APPROPRIATED TO FUND CONTRACTS WITH SUCH AGENCIES TO PROVIDE SERVICES THAT WILL RESPOND TO THE EFFECTS OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY CAUSED BY THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC OR ITS NEGATIVE ECONOMIC IMPACTS (CLERK ITEM 250-21); 2) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO ISSUE FUNDING NOTICES AND/OR ENTER INTO AND EXECUTE AMENDMENTS TO EXISTING COUNTY CONTRACTS ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY'S DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, OFFICE OF MENTAL HEALTH, CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES, WITH VARIOUS NOT-FOR-PROFIT AGENCIES THAT ARE FUNDED WITH MONEYS RECEIVED BY THE COUNTY UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN'S CORONAVIRUS LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUND AND WHICH HAVE BEEN SUPPLEMENTALLY APPROPRIATED TO FUND CONTRACTS WITH SUCH AGENCIES TO PROVIDE SERVICES THAT WILL RESPOND TO THE EFFECTS OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY CAUSED BY THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC OR ITS NEGATIVE ECONOMIC IMPACTS (CLERK ITEM 251-21); 3) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO ISSUE FUNDING NOTICES AND/OR ENTER INTO AND EXECUTE AMENDMENTS TO EXISTING COUNTY CONTRACTS ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY'S DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, OFFICE FOR THE AGING, WITH VARIOUS NOT-FOR-PROFIT AGENCIES THAT ARE FUNDED WITH MONEYS RECEIVED BY THE COUNTY UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN'S CORONAVIRUS LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUND AND WHICH HAVE BEEN SUPPLEMENTALLY APPROPRIATED TO FUND CONTRACTS WITH SUCH AGENCIES TO PROVIDE SERVICES THAT WILL RESPOND TO THE EFFECTS OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY CAUSED BY THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC OR ITS NEGATIVE ECONOMIC IMPACTS (CLERK ITEM 252-21); AND 4) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO ISSUE FUNDING NOTICES AND/OR ENTER INTO AND EXECUTE AMENDMENTS TO EXISTING COUNTY CONTRACTS ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY'S DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES WITH VARIOUS NOT-FOR-PROFIT AGENCIES THAT ARE FUNDED WITH MONEYS RECEIVED BY THE COUNTY UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN'S CORONAVIRUS LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUND AND WHICH HAVE BEEN SUPPLEMENTALLY APPROPRIATED TO FUND CONTRACTS WITH SUCH AGENCIES TO PROVIDE SERVICES THAT WILL RESPOND TO THE EFFECTS OF THE PUBLIC

HEALTH EMERGENCY CAUSED BY THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC OR ITS NEGATIVE ECONOMIC IMPACTS (CLERK ITEM 253-21), PURSUANT TO THE COUNTY LAW, THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT LAW OF NASSAU COUNTY, AND THE NASSAU COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE.

WHEREAS, the Honorable Laura Curran, County Executive, has submitted to this County Legislature a written recommendation dated July 8, 2021, pursuant to the provisions of the County Government Law of Nassau County; and

WHEREAS, the said recommendation refers to an emergency resolution declaring an emergency for immediate action upon 1) a resolution authorizing the County Executive to issue funding notices and/or enter into and execute amendments to existing County contracts on behalf of the County's Department of Human Services, Office of Youth Services, with various not-for-profit agencies that are funded with moneys received by the County under the American Rescue Plan's Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund and which have been supplementally appropriated to fund contracts with such agencies to provide services that will respond to the effects of the public health emergency caused by the COVID-19 pandemic or its negative economic impacts (Clerk Item 250-20); 2). a resolution authorizing the County Executive to issue funding notices and/or enter into and execute amendments to existing County contracts on behalf of the County's Department of Human Services, Office of Mental Health, Chemical Dependency and Developmental Disabilities, with various not-for-profit agencies that are funded with moneys received by the County under the American Rescue Plan's Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund and which have been supplementally appropriated to fund contracts with such agencies to provide services that will respond to the effects of the public health emergency caused by the COVID-19 pandemic or its negative economic impacts (Clerk Item 251-21); 3) a resolution authorizing the County Executive to issue funding notices and/or enter into and execute amendments to existing County contracts on behalf of the County's Department of Human

Services, Office for the Aging, with various not-for-profit agencies that are funded with moneys received by the County under the American Rescue Plan's Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund and which have been supplementally appropriated to fund contracts with such agencies to provide services that will respond to the effects of the public health emergency caused by the COVID-19 pandemic or its negative economic impacts (Clerk Item 252-21); and 4) A resolution authorizing the County Executive to issue funding notices and/or enter into and execute amendments to existing County contracts on behalf of the County's Department of Human Services, Office for the Aging, with various not-for-profit agencies that are funded with moneys received by the County under the American Rescue Plan's Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund and which have been supplementally appropriated to fund contracts with such agencies to provide services that will respond to the effects of the public health emergency caused by the COVID-19 pandemic or its negative economic impacts (Clerk Item 253-21); and

WHEREAS, the said recommendation is that the County Legislature adopt a resolution declaring that an emergency exists in Nassau County the nature of which is to take immediate action upon the aforesaid resolutions; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the County Legislature hereby declares that an emergency exists within Nassau County, the nature of which is to consider and to take immediate action upon the aforesaid resolutions before this Legislature.





RESOLUTION NO. 109-A- 2021

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO ISSUE FUNDING NOTICES AND/OR ENTER INTO AND EXECUTE AMENDMENTS TO EXISTING COUNTY CONTRACTS ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY'S DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, OFFICE OF YOUTH SERVICES, WITH VARIOUS NOT-FOR-PROFIT AGENCIES THAT ARE FUNDED WITH MONEYS RECEIVED BY THE COUNTY UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN'S CORONAVIRUS LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUND AND WHICH HAVE BEEN SUPPLEMENTALLY APPROPRIATED TO FUND CONTRACTS WITH SUCH AGENCIES TO PROVIDE SERVICES THAT WILL RESPOND TO THE EFFECTS OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY CAUSED BY THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC OR ITS NEGATIVE ECONOMIC IMPACTS.

WHEREAS, the County has received \$62,900,000 from the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund that was established pursuant to Subtitle M of Title IX of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021; and

WHEREAS, the legislation establishing the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (the "SLFRF") authorizes counties to use such funds, among other things, "to respond to the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) or its negative economic impacts, including assistance to households, small businesses and nonprofits, or aid to impacted industries such as tourism, travel and hospitality"; and

WHEREAS, the United States Department of the Treasury has published an Interim Final Rule and guidance further detailing the permissible uses of the SLFRF moneys (the "Interim Final Rule"); and

WHEREAS, section 35.6(b) of the Interim Final Rule, which appears in Title 31 of the Code of Federal Regulations, provides a non-exclusive list of specific permissible uses of SLFRF funds to respond to the public health emergency or its negative economic impacts; and

WHEREAS, these enumerated uses include, among other things, expenditures for:

- (i) the mitigation and prevention of COVID-19, including mental health treatment,

substance misuse treatment, and other behavioral health services; (ii) grants or other assistance to nonprofit organizations that respond to the negative economic impacts of the COVID-19 emergency; (iii) programs, services or other assistance that provide services to households, businesses or populations disproportionately affected by the COVID-19 public health emergency, including programs or services that facilitate access to health and social services or that address housing insecurity, lack of affordable housing, or homelessness; (iv) programs or services that address or mitigate the impacts of the COVID-19 public health emergency on education; and (v) programs or service that address or mitigate the impacts of the public health emergency on childhood health or welfare; and

WHEREAS, the County in Ordinance No. 63-2021 supplementally appropriated moneys from the County's SLFRF allocation to fund contracts with not-for-profit agencies that provide support for veterans, behavioral health support, educational and academic support and related services for youth, health, counseling and other related services for seniors, and other health and social services programs for the County's most vulnerable residents; and

WHEREAS, the County's Department of Human Services, Office of Youth Services, currently has contracts with not-for-profit agencies that can provide certain of these services as described, and for the amounts listed, in Appendix A of this Resolution (the "Existing Contracts"); and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the County and its residents to promptly negotiate amendments to these Existing Contracts and/or issue funding notices authorizing additional moneys for such contracts so that these critical services can be provided as expeditiously as possible to those in need;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the County Executive is authorized to issue funding notices and/or negotiate and execute amendments to any and all of the Existing Contracts, which funding notices or amendments will be funded exclusively by SLFRF moneys received by the County under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 to be spent in compliance with such legislation, the Interim Final Rule (and final rule when effective), applicable federal contract provisions, and all other applicable federal law and regulation, and which have

been supplementally appropriated in Ordinance No. 63-2021 for the County to enter into contracts for purposes specified in that Ordinance; and be it further

RESOLVED, that all such contract amendments and/or funding notices shall be for enhanced and/or new services that are related to responding to the COVID-19 public health emergency or its negative economic impacts and shall be subject to different and separate payment terms and conditions from the Existing Contracts, including payment in advance following the contractor's submission of a satisfactorily completed application through the Boost Nassau Portal, compliance with all applicable reporting, recordkeeping or other requirements set forth for contract amendments and/or funding notices processed through the Boost Nassau Portal, and a separate close-out procedure that will include a reconciliation of the grant funds provided under any such contract amendments and/or funding notices; and be it further

RESOLVED, that such amendments and/or funding notices shall not affect County funding for services provided under the Existing Contracts; and be it further

RESOLVED, that all such contract amendments and/or funding notices shall be filed with the Clerk of the Legislature so that they may be listed at the end of the legislative calendar, as appropriate; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive is authorized to (i) execute any and all grant agreements and other instruments, agreements, ancillary agreements, funding notices, amendments to Existing Contracts, and to take such other action as is necessary to effectuate and carry out the receipt and disbursement of such grant funds in accordance with Appendix A; and (ii) suspend any vendor disclosure requirements as necessary in order to expedite the disbursement of such grant funds; and be it further

RESOLVED, that pursuant to the provisions of SEQRA, 8 N.Y.E.C.L. section 0101 et seq. and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., the proposed action under this Resolution has been determined not to have any significant adverse impacts on the environment and no further review is required.





RESOLUTION NO. 109-B - 2021

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO ISSUE FUNDING NOTICES AND/OR ENTER INTO AND EXECUTE AMENDMENTS TO EXISTING COUNTY CONTRACTS ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY'S DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, OFFICE OF MENTAL HEALTH, CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES, WITH VARIOUS NOT-FOR-PROFIT AGENCIES THAT ARE FUNDED WITH MONEYS RECEIVED BY THE COUNTY UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN'S CORONAVIRUS LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUND AND WHICH HAVE BEEN SUPPLEMENTALLY APPROPRIATED TO FUND CONTRACTS WITH SUCH AGENCIES TO PROVIDE SERVICES THAT WILL RESPOND TO THE EFFECTS OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY CAUSED BY THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC OR ITS NEGATIVE ECONOMIC IMPACTS.

WHEREAS, the County has received \$62,900,000 from the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund that was established pursuant to Subtitle M of Title IX of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021; and

WHEREAS, the legislation establishing the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (the "SLFRF") authorizes counties to use such funds, among other things, "to respond to the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) or its negative economic impacts, including assistance to households, small businesses and nonprofits, or aid to impacted industries such as tourism, travel and hospitality"; and

WHEREAS, the United States Department of the Treasury has published an Interim Final Rule and guidance further detailing the permissible uses of the SLFRF moneys (the "Interim Final Rule"); and

WHEREAS, section 35.6(b) of the Interim Final Rule, which appears in Title 31 of the Code of Federal Regulations, provides a non-exclusive list of specific permissible uses of SLFRF funds to respond to the public health emergency or its negative economic impacts; and

WHEREAS, these enumerated uses include, among other things, expenditures for:

- (i) the mitigation and prevention of COVID-19, including mental health treatment,

substance misuse treatment, and other behavioral health services; (ii) grants or other assistance to nonprofit organizations that respond to the negative economic impacts of the COVID-19 emergency; (iii) programs, services or other assistance that provide services to households, businesses or populations disproportionately affected by the COVID-19 public health emergency, including programs or services that facilitate access to health and social services or that address housing insecurity, lack of affordable housing, or homelessness; (iv) programs or services that address or mitigate the impacts of the COVID-19 public health emergency on education; and (v) programs or service that address or mitigate the impacts of the public health emergency on childhood health or welfare; and

WHEREAS, the County in Ordinance No. 63-2021 supplementally appropriated moneys from the County's SLFRF allocation to fund contracts with not-for-profit agencies that provide support for veterans, behavioral health support, educational and academic support and related services for youth, health, counseling and other related services for seniors, and other health and social services programs for the County's most vulnerable residents; and

WHEREAS, the County's Department of Human Services, Office of Mental Health, Chemical Dependency and Developmental Disabilities, currently has contracts with not-for-profit agencies that can provide certain of these services as described, and for the amounts listed, in Appendix A of this Resolution (the "Existing Contracts"); and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the County and its residents to promptly negotiate amendments to these Existing Contracts and/or issue funding notices authorizing additional moneys for such Existing Contracts so that these critical services can be provided as expeditiously as possible to those in need;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the County Executive is authorized to issue funding notices and/or negotiate and execute amendments to any and all of the Existing Contracts, which funding notices or amendments will be funded exclusively by SLFRF moneys received by the County under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 to be spent in compliance with such legislation, the Interim Final Rule (and final rule when effective), applicable federal contract provisions, and all other applicable federal law and regulation, and which have

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RESOLVED, that pursuant to the provisions of SEQRA, 8 N.Y.E.C.L. section 0101 et seq. and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., the proposed action under this Resolution has been determined not to have any significant adverse impacts on the environment and no further review is required.







RESOLUTION NO. 109-C - 2021

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO ISSUE FUNDING NOTICES AND/OR ENTER INTO AND EXECUTE AMENDMENTS TO EXISTING COUNTY CONTRACTS ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY'S DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, OFFICE FOR THE AGING, WITH VARIOUS NOT-FOR-PROFIT AGENCIES THAT ARE FUNDED WITH MONEYS RECEIVED BY THE COUNTY UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN'S CORONAVIRUS LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUND AND WHICH HAVE BEEN SUPPLEMENTALLY APPROPRIATED TO FUND CONTRACTS WITH SUCH AGENCIES TO PROVIDE SERVICES THAT WILL RESPOND TO THE EFFECTS OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY CAUSED BY THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC OR ITS NEGATIVE ECONOMIC IMPACTS.

WHEREAS, the County has received \$62,900,000 from the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund that was established pursuant to Subtitle M of Title IX of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021; and

WHEREAS, the legislation establishing the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (the "SLFRF") authorizes counties to use such funds, among other things, "to respond to the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) or its negative economic impacts, including assistance to households, small businesses and nonprofits, or aid to impacted industries such as tourism, travel and hospitality"; and

WHEREAS, the United States Department of the Treasury has published an Interim Final Rule and guidance further detailing the permissible uses of the SLFRF moneys (the "Interim Final Rule"); and

WHEREAS, section 35.6(b) of the Interim Final Rule, which appears in Title 31 of the Code of Federal Regulations, provides a non-exclusive list of specific permissible uses of SLFRF funds to respond to the public health emergency or its negative economic impacts; and

WHEREAS, these enumerated uses include, among other things, expenditures for:

- (i) the mitigation and prevention of COVID-19, including mental health treatment,

substance misuse treatment, and other behavioral health services; (ii) grants or other assistance to nonprofit organizations that respond to the negative economic impacts of the COVID-19 emergency; (iii) programs, services or other assistance that provide services to households, businesses or populations disproportionately affected by the COVID-19 public health emergency, including programs or services that facilitate access to health and social services or that address housing insecurity, lack of affordable housing, or homelessness; (iv) programs or services that address or mitigate the impacts of the COVID-19 public health emergency on education; and (v) programs or service that address or mitigate the impacts of the public health emergency on childhood health or welfare; and

WHEREAS, the County in Ordinance No. 63-2021 supplementally appropriated moneys from the County's SLFRF allocation to fund contracts with not-for-profit agencies that provide support for veterans, behavioral health support, educational and academic support and related services for youth, health, counseling and other related services for seniors, and other health and social services programs for the County's most vulnerable residents; and

WHEREAS, the County's Department of Human Services, Office for the Aging, currently has contracts with not-for-profit agencies that can provide certain of these services as described, and for the amounts listed, in Appendix A of this Resolution (the "Existing Contracts"); and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the County and its residents to promptly negotiate amendments to these Existing Contracts and/or issue funding notices authorizing additional moneys for such Existing Contracts so that these critical services can be provided as expeditiously as possible to those in need;

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RESOLUTION NO. 109-D- 2021

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO ISSUE FUNDING NOTICES AND/OR ENTER INTO AND EXECUTE AMENDMENTS TO EXISTING COUNTY CONTRACTS ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY'S DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES WITH VARIOUS NOT-FOR-PROFIT AGENCIES THAT ARE FUNDED WITH MONEYS RECEIVED BY THE COUNTY UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN'S CORONAVIRUS LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUND AND WHICH HAVE BEEN SUPPLEMENTALLY APPROPRIATED TO FUND CONTRACTS WITH SUCH AGENCIES TO PROVIDE SERVICES THAT WILL RESPOND TO THE EFFECTS OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY CAUSED BY THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC OR ITS NEGATIVE ECONOMIC IMPACTS.

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WHEREAS, the County in Ordinance No. 63-2021 supplementally appropriated moneys from the County's SLFRF allocation to fund contracts with not-for-profit agencies that provide support for veterans, behavioral health support, educational and academic support and related services for youth, health, counseling and other related services for seniors, and other health and social services programs for the County's most vulnerable residents; and

WHEREAS, the County's Department of Social Services currently has contracts with not-for-profit agencies that can provide certain of these services as described, and for the amounts listed, in Appendix A of this Resolution (the "Existing Contracts"); and

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10 PUBLIC COMMENT:

11 Brian Sullivan, Nassau COBA

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13 Doreen Dunne, Girls on The Run Long Island

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15 Pearl Jacobs, Uniondale

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17 Ivan Sayles, CARES Grant Money

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19 Thomas Kaufman, Gas Tax

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21 CALENDAR (IN ORDER OF APPEARANCE):

22 ITEM 26

23 Kevin Smith, Deputy Commissioner

24 Tatum Fox, Deputy County Executive (Tele.)

25 Patrick Ryder, Police Commissioner



ITEM 4

Dr. Jermaine F. Williams, President NCC  
Julia Izquierdo, VP, Finance  
Adrian Kerrigan, VP Institutional Advancement

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Dave Rich, Executive Director, TPVA

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ITEM 3

Ken Arnold, Commissioner, Pub. Works (Tele.)

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Evelyn Tsimis, Deputy County Executive  
Conal Denion, County Attorney Office (Tele.)  
Andy Persich, Office of Management & Budget

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Dave Rich, Executive Director, TPVA  
Dan Gregware, County Attorney's Office  
Allison Malhame  
Robert Cleary, Chief Procurement Officer  
Jodi Franzese, Inspector General Office (Tele.)  
Ned Schwartz, Inspector General Office (Tele.)

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2 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: All  
3 right. I'm going to call the meeting of  
4 the Nassau County Legislature to order.  
5 Ladies and gentlemen, please rise as  
6 Minority Leader Abrahams leads us in the  
7 Pledge of Allegiance.

8 (Whereupon, the Pledge of  
9 Allegiance is recited.)

10 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Thank  
11 you.

12 Mr. Clerk, could you please call the  
13 roll?

14 CLERK PULITZER: Thank you,  
15 Presiding Officer.

16 Roll call, June 28:  
17 Deputy Presiding Officer Howard  
18 Kopel?

19 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Here.

20 CLERK PULITZER: Alternate Presiding  
21 officer Denise Ford?

22 LEGISLATOR FORD: Here.

23 CLERK PULITZER: Thank you.

24 Legislator Siela Bynoe?

25 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: Here.

CLERK PULITZER: Legislator Carrie  
Solages?

LEGISLATOR SOLAGES: Here.

CLERK PULITZER: Legislator Debra  
Mule?

LEGISLATGOR MULE: Here.

CLERK PULITZER: Legislator C.  
William Gaylor, III?

LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: Present.

CLERK PULITZER: Thank you.  
Legislator Vincent Muscarella?

LEGISLATOR MUSCARELLA: (No  
response.)

CLERK PULITZER: We'll come back.  
Legislator Ellen Birnbaum?

LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: Here

CLERK PULITZER: Legislator Delia  
Deriggi-Whitton?

LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: Here.

CLERK PULITZER: Legislator James  
Kennedy?

LEGISLATOR KENNEDY: Here.

CLERK PULITZER: Legislator Tom  
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LEGISLATOR MCKEVITT: Here.

CLERK PULITZER: Legislator Laura  
Schaefer?

LEGISLATOR SCHAEFER: Here.

CLERK PULITZER: Legislator John  
Ferretti?

LEGISLATOR FERRETTI: Here.

CLERK PULITZER: Legislator Arnold  
Drucker?

LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: Here.

CLERK PULITZER: Legislator Rose  
Walker?

LEGISLATOR WALKER: Here.

CLERK PULITZER: Legislator Joshua  
Lafazan?

LEGISLATOR LAFAZAN: Here.

CLERK PULITZER: Legislator Steven  
Rhoads?

LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Present.

CLERK PULITZER: Minority Leader  
Kevan Abrahams?

LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: Here.

CLERK PULITZER: Legislator Vincent  
Muscarella?

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2 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: He is  
3 away.

4 CLERK PULITZER: We have a quorum,  
5 sir.

6 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Thank  
7 you.

8 As another sign that things are  
9 getting back to normal, we are going to  
10 be resuming a tradition we have here of  
11 honoring our top cops each month at our  
12 legislature meetings.

13 Today we have three honorees, police  
14 officers from the First Precinct. I  
15 would ask Legislator Steve Rhoads, to  
16 introduce our Top Cops. Actually, I'm  
17 going to withdraw that. I invite them  
18 up. I'm not sure who is here from Police  
19 Benevolent Association to do the  
20 presentation, but I invite you to come  
21 and do that.

22 MR. MULLICK: Good afternoon,  
23 everybody. Kevin Mullick, Chairman of  
24 the Board of Trustees of the Nassau  
25 County Police Benevolent Association.

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2 James McDermott wasn't able to make it  
3 today, so I'm honored to present the Top  
4 Cops for June, 2021.

5 On March 25, 2021 at approximately  
6 1600 hours First Precinct Officers Ryan  
7 Phillips, Patrick McGrath, and Joseph  
8 Tuffarelli were assigned to Patrol within  
9 the confines of Wantagh when they were  
10 assigned to a call for an emotionally  
11 disturbed person.

12 The complainant, a social worker,  
13 called 9-1-1, stating that he received a  
14 phone call from an emotional distressed  
15 male who expressed intent to harm  
16 himself. The subject also stated that he  
17 intended to harm responding Officers.

18 Upon their arrival, Officers made  
19 contact with the subject via a department  
20 issued cell phone. They explained to the  
21 subject that they were there to help him.  
22 The subject agreed to come outside with  
23 his hands in the air to ensure the safety  
24 of everyone involved, but when the  
25 subject exited the home, officers

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2 immediately observed that the subject was  
3 armed with a large hunting knife in his  
4 right hand. The subject refused multiple  
5 verbal commands to drop the knife. The  
6 subject then walked toward the officers  
7 with the large hunting knife. Officers  
8 retreated in an attempt to maintain a  
9 safe distance from the subject.

10 Officers Phillips and McGrath  
11 pointed their tasers at the subject while  
12 continuing to give verbal commands. The  
13 subject continued to walk towards the  
14 officers ignoring their verbal commands  
15 and ignoring their verbal commands to  
16 drop the knife.

17 At this time, Officer McGrath  
18 deployed his taser at the subject, but  
19 the taser was not effective. Officer  
20 Phillips then deployed his taser  
21 successfully, incapacitating the subject  
22 and allowing fellow Officer Tuffarelli to  
23 take the subject into custody without  
24 further incident. The subject was then  
25 transported to a mental health facility

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2 so he could receive the help that he  
3 needed.

4 Due to their quick thinking and  
5 excellent tactics, the officers were able  
6 to take the subject into custody without  
7 further incident or injury. At a serious  
8 risk to their own personal safety, the  
9 officers were able to diffuse a violent  
10 situation.

11 The PBA is proud to name Police  
12 Officers Ryan Phillips, Patrick McGrath  
13 and Joseph Tufarelli as its Legislative  
14 Top Cops for June of 2021 (applause).

15 POLICE COMMISSIONER RYDER: First of  
16 all, it's great to see everybody back and  
17 back up here where we are discussing good  
18 positive stories done by our men and  
19 women in law enforcement.

20 All the tools that you give them and  
21 all the resources and the support that  
22 you give them is why that was a  
23 successful conclusion. The training we  
24 now do about deescalation, our new mental  
25 health crisis response that is underway,



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2 and the processes about keeping and  
3 making sure that we get those that needed  
4 treatment, not prison, treatment. That  
5 is what we've been doing and the officers  
6 did an outstanding job using the tactics  
7 they were taught in the police academy.

8 Again, it is thanks to all of you  
9 and supporting us and making sure we have  
10 tools to do that job and a thanks to the  
11 training they get at the academy.

12 We now have our new building and new  
13 class up and running, but it is also  
14 thanks to the three men that stand behind  
15 me for what they did that night, taking  
16 the time to respect the life of another  
17 and then using the proper tools that were  
18 given to them so we have a great  
19 successful conclusion.

20 Congratulations to them and, again,  
21 thank you very much (applause).

22 OFFICER PHILLIPS: Hello, my name is  
23 Ryan Phillips. I would just like to  
24 thank -- well, this is a great honor to  
25 be here right now.

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2 I would like to thank the Nassau  
3 County Legislators, the PBA, and the  
4 President James McDermott and Police  
5 Commissioner Ryder. This is a great  
6 honor and it's really nice to get the  
7 recognition from all of you. Thank you.  
8 (Applause.)

9 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
10 Legislator Rhoads.

11 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Thank you very  
12 much, Presiding Officer.

13 I just want to say, I'm so happy  
14 that you are here today and we are back  
15 in a position where can again celebrate  
16 the remarkable achievements and  
17 accomplishments of so many of the  
18 outstanding police officers that we have  
19 here in the Nassau County Police  
20 Department.

21 One of the most discouraging things  
22 that we've seen over the course of the  
23 last year is that there are elements of  
24 society that are attempting to turn our  
25 police officers who are out there to

1  
2 protect and serve the public everyday  
3 into public enemies instead of the public  
4 heros that they are.

5 Every profession has those  
6 individuals who don't live up to those  
7 ideals, but the vast majority, 99%,  
8 almost completely, are police officers  
9 like yourselves that are out there doing  
10 their job every single day putting their  
11 lives at risk to help save lives and to  
12 help keep people safe and to protect our  
13 communities. So getting back to  
14 Legislative Top Cops as a legislature,  
15 gives us the opportunity that you won't  
16 see on the front page of *Newsday* or the  
17 *Daily News*, that is celebrate those  
18 accomplishments, say thanks to all police  
19 officers that do such a tremendous job.  
20 This is beautiful example of exactly what  
21 we're talking about.

22 You know, here you are presented  
23 with someone who wanted to take your  
24 lives, and instead of reacting to the  
25 situation negatively, you relied upon

1  
2 your training, you relied upon your  
3 discretion, you relied upon your heroism  
4 and your judgement to take a step back,  
5 right? When someone came after you with  
6 a knife, you retreated to maintain a safe  
7 distance. When he wouldn't drop the  
8 knife, instead of going for a gun, you  
9 went for a taser which is the training  
10 that you received, making, again, the  
11 right to decision to preserve and protect  
12 the the life of somebody who was  
13 perfectly willing to take yours, but you  
14 used discretion to save his life, get  
15 that individual the help that he needed  
16 and at the same time, protect the public  
17 from someone who was emotionally  
18 disturbed and dangerous, not only to  
19 himself, but to the community around him.  
20 These are the types of actions that go on  
21 every single day, not just here at the  
22 Nassau County Police Department, but in  
23 all police departments all across the  
24 country. These are the things that we  
25 should be talking about.

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2 And, yes, absolutely, we had an  
3 involved and appropriate discussion about  
4 reforms and ways that we could do things  
5 better, but we should never forget that  
6 there are people out there who wear the  
7 uniform of our county and wear police  
8 uniforms, law enforcement uniforms, all  
9 across the country who are out there  
10 doing their very best putting their lives  
11 on the line to keep us safe. That's the  
12 thing that we need to keep in mind and we  
13 need to celebrate.

14 Officer Phillips, Officer McGrath,  
15 and Officer Tufarelli, I want say on  
16 behalf of the Legislature and on behalf  
17 of the people of Nassau County, thank you  
18 for your heroism. Thank you for what you  
19 did, not only to save this life, but to  
20 save countless others, potentially, from  
21 someone who is truly dangerous and get  
22 them the help that they needed.

23 So God bless you for what you do  
24 every single day, and God bless all of  
25 our Nassau County Police Officers for the

1  
2           tremendous job that they do in keeping us  
3           safe. (Applause.)

4           PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Okay.  
5           Would anyone else like to add anything?  
6           If not, we would be honored if you joined  
7           us up in the well and we will take a  
8           photograph of the presentation of the  
9           citation.

10           (Whereupon, presentation of  
11           citation takes place.)  
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3 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Next  
4 is the Public Comment portion of our  
5 meeting.

6 I would like to invite Brian  
7 Sullivan, the president of Nassau County  
8 Correction Officer's Benevolent  
9 Association.

10 MR. SULLIVAN: Good afternoon,  
11 everyone. I'll give everybody a chance  
12 to get settled after that very nice  
13 event, nice ceremony. Obviously, that  
14 was a great event for the police  
15 department. Glad to see that. I plan to  
16 do something similar in the future with  
17 our correction officers.

18 I'm Brian Sullivan, President of the  
19 Nassau County Correction Officer's  
20 Benevolent Association for the record.

21 Before I get started, the thing I  
22 want to speak to about the Capital Plan,  
23 the Capital Budget, I can't help myself.  
24 With the Commissioner speaking about  
25 training and deescalation techniques and

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2           mental health training; wow, what a  
3           concept. I wonder what that's like, but  
4           that's for another budget meeting.

5           I'm here representing Nassau County  
6           Correction Officers and I am here, as I  
7           said, to speak on the Capital Plan. I  
8           have stood and spoken here on countless  
9           occasions regarding the infrastructure  
10          problems we face at the correctional  
11          facility: Crumbling buildings, numerous  
12          electrical and plumbing problems,  
13          locksmithing issues, HVAC, lighting,  
14          mold, dilapidated vehicles, etcetera.  
15          I've also spoken here numerous times  
16          about the Jail Master Plan, usually a six  
17          year Jail Master Plan that is designed to  
18          alleviate and correct all of these  
19          issues. I've had several meetings with  
20          the last several jail administrations.  
21          Plans have been discussed.  
22          Pie-in-the-sky ideas of building chilled  
23          water plants to use for air conditioning  
24          and heating, putting up new buildings,  
25          etcetera. They're all great ideas, but



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2 they're all fantasies. None of that's  
3 ever happening any time soon at the jail  
4 because nobody wants to invest in  
5 correctional facilities.

6 We currently have an architectural  
7 design firm after years of discussion  
8 touring our facilities doing an overview  
9 of our place along with a firm that  
10 reviews criminal justice initiatives and  
11 alternatives, etcetera. This same group  
12 actually are the same ones that did the  
13 studies of closing Ryker's Island in the  
14 City and building high-rise borough based  
15 alternatives with boutique shops and  
16 restaurants below them. Why we're  
17 exploring these avenues is a mystery to  
18 me because that's another fantasy. It's  
19 not happening here, it's certainly not  
20 going to be happening in New York City  
21 any time soon.

22 I fought for years to get out HVAC  
23 issues fixed in our facility, all while  
24 new precincts were built in Nassau  
25 County, parks were rebuilt, a new Social

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2 Services building was built, and as we  
3 spoke of at last year's budget meeting, a  
4 new property building is being built for  
5 the police department along with a  
6 training academy that we're involved  
7 with.

8 It took years to address our major  
9 HVAC issues (heating/ventilation/air  
10 conditioning). Many were finally  
11 completed so our staff didn't have to  
12 work in a correctional environment in  
13 stifling heat, but we still have over 60  
14 air conditioning units that are still in  
15 need of replacement in many areas of our  
16 facility.

17 Like every year in budgets, from our  
18 perspective, the police department asks  
19 for dollars and they get it; they deserve  
20 it. They deserve every penny they get.  
21 We ask for pennies and we get salt.  
22 Going back to the entire Sposato  
23 administration as continues now, we  
24 cannot get our infrastructure problems  
25 adequately addressed or lined up no

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2 matter what we do. I'm not sure what we  
3 need to do to get these things rolling,  
4 as we see new buildings and initiatives  
5 being done all around the County.

6 We all know no one wants to invest  
7 money into correctional facilities,  
8 especially in today's climate with so  
9 many of our elected leaders in the state  
10 looking to release dangerous criminals  
11 loose on the public everyday and put the  
12 criminal justice system out of business.

13 But you know what? This is also a  
14 social issue inside our jails. Before,  
15 it used to be, who wants to make  
16 criminals and our jails comfortable? We  
17 don't need to put money into jails.  
18 Let's just pay the salaries and what it  
19 needs to run them.

20 But it's much more than that.  
21 Environment dictates safety in our  
22 facilities: Heat creates tension;  
23 neglect creates liability and security  
24 risk -- severe security risks. Please  
25 remember -- and I know everyone here

1  
2 does, but I want to say it for the record  
3 -- that we have over 1,000 of our Nassau  
4 County employees working in these  
5 dilapidated buildings that have numerous  
6 safety and security concerns,  
7 particularly since now we are only  
8 housing the worst of the worst inmates  
9 because through bail reform, the lesser  
10 crimes -- some of them not so lesser --  
11 are released out onto the streets.

12 I know not everything is going to  
13 get fixed at once. Look how long it's  
14 taken us to get issues addressed that I  
15 spoke of like the ACs vehicles that were  
16 finally purchased after years of neglect  
17 and debate. We continue to have vehicle  
18 fleet problems that create safety and  
19 security concerns. The issue is, where  
20 do we start?

21 I just want to read you a quick, if  
22 you'll indulge me:

23 "...Facility Capital Repairs that  
24 are at the top of the list - - there are  
25 several others -- but at the top of the

1  
2 list our 832 Building, named because it  
3 has 832 cells in it, copper lines for  
4 domestic water lines are currently being  
5 held together with clamps and rubber  
6 gaskets due to inferior copper  
7 installation;

8 Waterproofing at B. D. in the 832  
9 Building, the inability to maintain  
10 temperatures. There is a 70-year-old hot  
11 water tank that hasn't been replaced in  
12 our B Building; 70 years old;

13 Number one on the list is the 832  
14 building roof. Currently, roofing is 15  
15 years old pending Department of Public  
16 Works resolution, I'll get into that in a  
17 second;

18 There is fencing that separates us  
19 from the old folks home in the Knolls.  
20 That fencing was installed in 1992, it's  
21 outlived its use for life and is now a  
22 security concern. Senior citizens living  
23 next door to the jail;

24 As I spoke about, HVAC;

25 A fire alarm upgrade. We are at end

1  
2 of life on compute and nodes that were  
3 submitted in 2014. They are unable to  
4 service all of the troubles in our fire  
5 alarm systems;

6 Community sirens to restore  
7 community alerts for the surrounding  
8 areas haven't been replaced;

9 Parking lot, things like that, we  
10 need topcoats;

11 Additionally, from our logistical  
12 support unit itself, if you'll allow me,  
13 we used to have back in the year 2000, 68  
14 mechanics working in the jail. We  
15 currently have 20 people in our  
16 logistical support unit, of which 14 are  
17 actual mechanics, trained mechanics;

18 We have over 2,000 toilets and  
19 showers to maintain. We currently have  
20 150 cells out of service in the plumbing  
21 and HVAC. Due to us having no one  
22 working in the HVAC field on staff, we  
23 have to utilize outside contractors on  
24 almost a daily basis;

25 The next trade of importance is

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2 electricians. We have three on extended  
3 leave due to injuries. One has been here  
4 for 40 years and is going to soon retire.  
5 That leaves us currently with one. In a  
6 facility of this size, people like  
7 electricians are indispensable during  
8 especially extreme weather-related  
9 events;

10 The jail currently, and for the last  
11 couple of years, has no locksmiths. How  
12 many locks and keys do you think are in a  
13 correctional facility? We have no actual  
14 certified locksmiths on staff at the  
15 correctional facility. We have other  
16 maintenance men that make due;

17 The importance of maintaining  
18 mechanics at the correctional center is  
19 extremely urgent. Not only do they  
20 provide mechanical things -- electrical,  
21 plumbing -- they are also responsible for  
22 removing snow, doing laundry for the  
23 inmates, supplies, etcetera;

24 The County has over 160 vehicles in  
25 our fleet. We currently have two garage

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2 mechanics, one of which is out on  
3 extended leave;

4 Lastly, we have no welders. The  
5 jail is full of bars, full of metal, full  
6 of everything like that and we don't have  
7 any welders on staff.

8 With this said, all of these things  
9 need to be prioritized. They have been  
10 prioritized. The mantra here for years  
11 and years has been no money, no money, no  
12 money. Plus, we're behind the wall so  
13 who sees it. The only one ranting and  
14 raving is me here. With an appointed  
15 sheriff, he can't stand up here and rant  
16 and rave, like I do, and bring attention  
17 to what people don't see behind the  
18 scenes, so, unfortunately, that job falls  
19 to me.

20 I have to bring special attention to  
21 the roofing issue. Our 832 Building is  
22 in dire need of replacement; not repair,  
23 replacement. It's 15 years old and  
24 through our investigation, wasn't done  
25 correctly by the vendor 15 years ago. We



1  
2 currently have the Department of Public  
3 Works sending two men teams with what  
4 amounts to caulking guns trying to plug  
5 holes in the roof in the facade. It's the  
6 biggest waste of time I've ever seen.  
7 We're spitting in the wind with this  
8 roof. I also have a video that I'm going  
9 to send you of the roof that is actually  
10 flapping in the breeze that was patched,  
11 goes back to 2019. It was patched, never  
12 been replaced yet. One of those flex  
13 seal kind of deals. They put it down and  
14 the roof was actually flapping. That  
15 roof is still there, it was tacked down.  
16 You can imagine what it's like now 2021.

17 Additionally, when the previous  
18 administration replaced the AC units,  
19 they simply went over the current  
20 compromised roof creating more roofing  
21 problems. Everything was done backwards  
22 here because it was all done on an  
23 emergency basis.

24 Reading some highlights of previous  
25 Capital Plans, if you'll indulge me:

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2 "...the 2020-2022 Capital  
3 Improvement Plan talks about projects to  
4 provide body scanners. There was  
5 \$800,000 allocated for body scanners.  
6 That ended up -- with our fiscal problems  
7 before, that money disappeared and our  
8 department went a different route to buy  
9 different types of body scanners which  
10 were bought and it was done in a much  
11 better fashion. What happened to that  
12 \$800,000, I have no idea;

13 We talk about the Jail Six Year  
14 Master Plan supporting the rehabilitation  
15 of the Nassau County Correctional Center  
16 for current day and future needs. Two  
17 objectives are to reduce the amount of  
18 maintenance as well as properly address  
19 deficiencies and repairs. That is 2020  
20 to 2022;

21 2014 to 2016 we talk about a Capital  
22 Plan for which the initial focus would be  
23 to rehabilitate portions of Cellblock A  
24 for housing inmates. I have no idea what  
25 Cellblock A referred to back then, we

1  
2 have an A building that hasn't housed any  
3 inmates since 1993.

4 After this is complete, evaluations  
5 are being made assessing additional needs  
6 of the facility, and here I am again.

7 We go back to the 2007 Capital  
8 Budget, the Correctional Center projects  
9 include a Jail Six Year Master Plan.  
10 That seems to come up year. Kitchen  
11 retrofits, vehicle reimbursement, things  
12 like that.

13 We talk yearly, yearly, yearly about  
14 the Jail Six Year Master Plan, but  
15 nothing ever seems to get done, unless  
16 it's done on an emergency basis.

17 If there's one thing I'd like to see  
18 accomplished with this round of Capital  
19 Budget Hearings, is to establish  
20 performance bars. Timelines. I want to  
21 see dates nailed down for these projects  
22 to commence. No more generalized  
23 statements that the listed projects are  
24 part of a Capital Plan that we're  
25 exploring. As you can see, obviously, the

1  
2 Jail Six Year Master Plan goes back at  
3 least to 2004 and earlier.

4 The only Capital Expenditures that  
5 occurred here are emergency expenditures.  
6 Does anybody remember the Muffin  
7 (Phonetic) Monsters from last year.  
8 Muffin Monster sewage treatment choppers  
9 that are in the buildings. Years of  
10 neglect that caused a shutdown of one of  
11 our main buildings because we didn't  
12 address this long foreseen and long  
13 discussed sewage problem. The building  
14 had to be shut down, all the inmates had  
15 to be moved to the other side of the  
16 facility so we could replace sewage  
17 treatment grinders that gave out after 20  
18 years. They just could not be fixed any  
19 more. That all had to be done on an  
20 emergency basis.

21 With roofs falling in on our heads,  
22 the main focus of the previous  
23 administration was to have inmate visitor  
24 shelters installed. That was done. Thank  
25 God we have visitor shelters so the

1  
2 visitors to our facility can step in out  
3 of the rain. The only problem is, it  
4 continues to rain inside our building,  
5 when it's raining outside because the  
6 roofs are all compromised.

7 There is a daily death rattle from  
8 our plumbing and electric issues. Our  
9 computers and and IT issues are a  
10 disaster and, once again, we don't have a  
11 locksmith in a correctional facility. We  
12 make do instead; what make do means, I  
13 have no idea. What happens when we need  
14 a locksmith in an emergency situation,  
15 hope the electrician can fix it? That's  
16 not a good mix inside a correctional  
17 facility.

18 Safety and security since the day I  
19 started here is a buzz word; Safety and  
20 security, Safety and security, Safety and  
21 security. None of that can be  
22 accomplished if the buildings are falling  
23 down over our heads and the can is  
24 continually kicked down the road.

25 My number one priority here, again,

1  
2 is please help us fix the roof in the 832  
3 Building. Slip and fall hazards,  
4 officers running into dorms where inmates  
5 are fighting and we have to separate them  
6 and we're running through puddles of rain  
7 water inside a dormitory; it's insane  
8 that we have to deal with this year in  
9 and year out.

10 I appreciate the time. I'll take  
11 any questions if anybody has any.

12 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Thank  
13 you, Brian. We appreciate your repeated  
14 visits here to make us aware of what is  
15 happening at the Correctional Facility.

16 As you know, we, I think at your  
17 instance, toured the facility a couple of  
18 years ago, so we firsthand witnessed some  
19 of the defects that you are discussing  
20 today.

21 I do remember in 2018, the Minority  
22 Leader, myself, and members of the  
23 administration went to your offices to  
24 talk about remedying some of these  
25 issues. In particular, the subject of

1  
2 the Master Plan came up and was  
3 repeatedly answers to want we are going  
4 to do going forward and here were are  
5 almost three years later and there's been  
6 very little movement.

7 MR. SULLIVAN: Right.

8 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: As you  
9 know, we held up the Capital Plan because  
10 of these issues and we have commitments  
11 now from the administration on the 832  
12 Building to get that roof replaced in a  
13 timely fashion.

14 But you're right, we have to insist  
15 on time lines going forward for when the  
16 work is going to be done. We intend to  
17 stay on top of this until those  
18 conditions are upgraded as our fine  
19 employees have a right to be working in.  
20 We will stay on top of this.

21 MR. SULLIVAN: I appreciate it,  
22 Legislator Nicolello. It's funny, I've  
23 said it here before a couple of times.  
24 I'm usually here advocating to hire  
25 correction officers. That's something

1  
2 that I will do again at the budget  
3 hearings in October.

4 I'm also here -- it's funny, I don't  
5 represent CSEA employees and I'm here  
6 trying to advocate to hire CSEA employees  
7 in another union so we have a safe and  
8 secure facility here. I appreciate the  
9 time. Anybody else?

10 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
11 Legislator Ford and then Legislator  
12 Deriggi-Whitton.

13 LEGISLATOR FORD: Good afternoon,  
14 Brian. Thank you very much. I guess and  
15 I agree with Presiding Officer that we  
16 will make sure that that roof gets  
17 replaced. We have to start these projects  
18 and make sure we follow them through and  
19 start with a better plan so that we are  
20 not doing everything by emergency. I  
21 agree that it does create an unsafe  
22 condition.

23 Considering the fact that when you  
24 talk about the fence being so old and you  
25 have elderly. And because of bail



1  
2 reform, we only have the most egregious  
3 of criminals that basically living now in  
4 the Nassau Correctional Facility, so we  
5 need to totally address this. We will  
6 being having a public hearing on this, a  
7 public safety hearing on this probably  
8 within the next three weeks.

9 MR. SULLIVAN: Right.

10 LEGISLATOR FORD: I intend though,  
11 and I'm going to ask if you would then  
12 take me on a tour through the jail to  
13 highlight prior to this hearing a lot of  
14 the grievances that you brought up in  
15 regard to the buildings, the conditions  
16 and stuff like that. I even have a  
17 concern as well even when you talk about  
18 the vehicles. Because as I understand, I  
19 don't know where we are will all the  
20 vehicles, if they are all up to date,  
21 because I know these are the same  
22 vehicles that we use to transfer the  
23 adolescent defendants. It just seems to  
24 be a lot of patchwork type of stuff. I  
25 understand the sheriff really can't get

1  
2 up here and complain, but I would really  
3 like to see him to see him get up here  
4 and tell us what he is going to do to  
5 start to correcting a lot of these  
6 issues, because we thought three years  
7 ago they started working on all this  
8 stuff and obviously they haven't. I  
9 think we need to address this  
10 specifically. I know in the past, Jerry  
11 Laracuta (phonetic) had talked about the  
12 locksmiths. You have special types of  
13 locks for the jails cells and stuff like  
14 that. So this is something -- we're  
15 back. The pandemic is over. We are  
16 back.

17 MR. SULLIVAN: I sat here originally  
18 with a whole presentation about our  
19 vehicles, what is that, two years ago.  
20 It was very eye opening. Since then,  
21 maybe I just have to keep coming here and  
22 doing that type of stuff, because a lot  
23 of our vehicles were replaced, we still  
24 have several that need to be replaced.  
25 But it's amazing when you expose some of

1  
2 the issues that are there, that action  
3 comes around.

4 LEGISLATOR FORD: I'm also concerned  
5 about the number of employees that we  
6 have there. I always advocate for more.  
7 I think you need it a lot of times, I'm  
8 sure you're aware. You might have  
9 officers that have to work overtime.  
10 They might be doing double shifts or  
11 whatever and if something happens, as  
12 much as it's nice and people say, oh,  
13 well, they're making money. Sometimes,  
14 they want to go home.

15 MR. SULLIVAN: You can't go home.

16 LEGISLATOR FORD: Yeah. And that is  
17 a sad fact.

18 We will do what ever we can. I will  
19 reach out to you this afternoon and we  
20 will set up a tour and then we will  
21 schedule a public safety hearing.

22 MR. SULLIVAN: Thank you.

23 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
24 Legislator Deriggi-Whitton and then  
25 Legislator Rhoads.

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2                   LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: Thank  
3                   you. Thanks for coming down. I know it  
4                   is a hassle, but it does keep us informed  
5                   and I appreciate it.

6                   So where are we with the vehicles?  
7                   Because I know there was a million  
8                   dollars put in at one point under the  
9                   prior administration and I know some of  
10                  that wasn't spent. Then I'm understanding  
11                  another \$318,000 for sheriff vehicles are  
12                  also part of this capital?

13                 MR. SULLIVAN: I believe that's  
14                 going forward. The one thing that I say  
15                 here every year is that we had to pull  
16                 out a million dollars to buy several  
17                 vehicles and we did buy several patrol  
18                 vehicles and transportations vehicles,  
19                 medical unit is in dire need of vehicles,  
20                 stuff like that. If you have some older  
21                 vehicles, if you have -- in the past, it  
22                 was \$250,000 a year that was allocated  
23                 for our transportation budget. That gets  
24                 eaten up with maintenance. A lot of  
25                 maintenance and a lot of repair on older

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2 vehicles so you're not buying new  
3 vehicles with that.

4 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: So with  
5 the 1.3 though, were you able to--

6 MR. SULLIVAN: We did buy several  
7 vehicles. Like I said, after that last  
8 presentation that I gave here, it took at  
9 least two rounds to get the orders done  
10 right because they always kick back the  
11 order if a comma isn't in the right  
12 place. But we did get several new patrol  
13 vehicles, transportation vehicles, but we  
14 still need more. I believe there are  
15 numerous old Crown Vics that are still  
16 being used by many of our people that  
17 aren't even in production anymore and  
18 it's very expensive to keep things like  
19 that up and running. They all need to be  
20 replaced.

21 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: The  
22 \$300,000 that's coming now -- 313 or  
23 something. Do you have that allocated --  
24 because I think what happened last time,  
25 like you said, it just seemed to sit for

1  
2 a long time.

3 MR. SULLIVAN: I can guarantee  
4 almost all of that is allocated for  
5 repairs.

6 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: Really?

7 MR. SULLIVAN: That's not going to  
8 be for the purchase of new vehicles.

9 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON:  
10 \$318,000 for repairs for cars, wow.

11 MR. SULLIVAN: I will double check  
12 that for you, but that's what's gone on  
13 in the past. When you have \$250,000 in  
14 there, that's kept on the side for  
15 repairs and upkeep and maintenance.

16 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: All  
17 right. Just check on the million too.  
18 The last time we met, there was I think  
19 only -- I don't want to say the wrong  
20 number, because I don't recall exactly.  
21 But there wasn't a very big percentage of  
22 that that was spent.

23 MR. SULLIVAN: That was spent, yeah.

24 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: So  
25 let's just see what's left and see what

1  
2 we can do to move it forward.

3 The two million that you are getting  
4 today, do you have that allocated in your  
5 mind, what you want to do with that. I  
6 know you said your priority is the roof.

7 MR. SULLIVAN: My priority is the  
8 roof. We don't have a price for the  
9 roof. All of the stuff, the back up  
10 information that I have gotten, we are up  
11 there just filling with little cans and  
12 caulking guns and things like that. We  
13 need to find out exactly what it's going  
14 to cost. DPW I'm sure will have that  
15 because there's been studies done before,  
16 but I have not been given number and I  
17 don't know whether two million is going  
18 to cover that for the 832 Building.

19 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: All  
20 right. Just keep us -- even via e-mail --  
21 advised. I felt good when I saw some of  
22 these numbers. Especially for the  
23 vehicles. I thought we were making  
24 strides. You are the one that --

25 MR. SULLIVAN: If we don't keep a

1  
2 rolling system going --

3 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: I  
4 agree. I would also like to attend,  
5 either with Legislator Ford, or however  
6 you would like to do it, I'm always  
7 available.

8 MR. SULLIVAN: Sounds good.

9 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
10 Legislator Rhoads.

11 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: I was curious if  
12 you happen to have anyone here from the  
13 administration that could give us an  
14 update on the roof replacement over at  
15 the jail, since that, obviously, is an  
16 important issue.

17 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: I  
18 think Ken Arnold is participating online.

19 COMMISSIONER ARNOLD: The question  
20 is on the 832 roof?

21 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Yes.

22 COMMISSIONER ARNOLD: So the 832  
23 roof, we indicated with our Requirements  
24 Contract the emergency work to patch the  
25 roof while waiting for our new



1  
2 consultant, LiRo, who recently started to  
3 do an evaluation and immediate redesign  
4 of the roofing system on the building.  
5 The roofing system on the building is  
6 already complicated because of the amount  
7 of equipment that sits on the roof and  
8 that is why it always has issues with  
9 water infiltration. During our patching  
10 work, we actually found locations where  
11 some of the dog houses on top of the roof  
12 were missing pieces which was causing a  
13 lot of water infiltration. We have been  
14 addressing that. LiRo has started their  
15 work and their first test is to get a  
16 plan on how to seal the roof and replace  
17 it and then they will be looking at the  
18 rest of the building which includes the  
19 hot and water piping and various other  
20 issues that will have to be discussed  
21 with the Corrections Facility staff on  
22 what we need to address.

23 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Commissioner  
24 Arnold, do we have a time table for when  
25 we would expect these various phases to

1  
2 be completed?

3 COMMISSIONER ARNOLD: I need to sit  
4 with LiRo to get a time table. They're  
5 just finishing their evaluation of the  
6 roof. I have to sit with them and get a  
7 time table based on what they're  
8 recommending and the amount of work this  
9 will require.

10 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Is that  
11 something that you're going to need to  
12 wait until they do their evaluation to  
13 create a time table, or is this something  
14 you might be able to get in advance of  
15 our public safety hearing?

16 COMMISSIONER ARNOLD: I need to  
17 speak with them and see where they are in  
18 their process. I will know once I get  
19 back next week exactly where they are and  
20 then I can tell you if I can produce a  
21 timeframe of if we need a little bit more  
22 time to put that together.

23 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Let's try and  
24 push them if we can. This is already  
25 taken far longer than I think anybody

1  
2 really reasonably expected.

3 COMMISSIONER ARNOLD: Understood.  
4 The contract took much longer than we  
5 wanted to. We did put a retroactive  
6 start date in the contract halfway  
7 through that process because I knew this  
8 was going to be an issue. The did start,  
9 I think Friday, I think it was a little  
10 earlier than that to get this up and  
11 running, which is also why and which also  
12 why I spoke with the contractor out there  
13 to do something immediately.

14 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Thanks,  
15 Commissioner Arnold.

16 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Okay.  
17 Does anyone else have any questions or  
18 comments?

19 (Whereupon, no verbal  
20 response.)

21 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: I  
22 think we're good, Brian. Thank you very  
23 much.

24 MR. SULLIVAN: See you at the  
25 hearing. Thank you very much. Have a

good day.

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2 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Next  
3 Speaker is Doreen Dunne.

4 MS. DUNNE: Hello. Good afternoon.  
5 My name is Doreen Dunne. I am the  
6 executive director for Long Island for  
7 "Girls on The Run". We are a national  
8 non-profit. I'm here because this type  
9 of program, as I'm going to explain, is  
10 so important in any year, but now more so  
11 than ever after we have come off such a  
12 crazy year and a crazy time in all of our  
13 lives.

14 Girls on The Run is an after school  
15 program for girls in grades 3-8 that uses  
16 a curriculum of lessons and  
17 social/emotional learning lessons and we  
18 integrate fun movement activities and  
19 running, or course, and goal setting.  
20 The girls ultimately complete an end of  
21 season 5K at the end of the season which  
22 is typically held right over here at  
23 Hofstra University. They've been our  
24 partner for a number of years. Girls on  
25 The Run has been around for 25 years.

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2 We've only been on Long Island in Nassau  
3 County since Fall of 2012, and then only  
4 since 2016 in Suffolk County.

5 On Long Island there is a lot of  
6 opportunity for this age group, so what  
7 we hope to do in our program is to get  
8 girls at a young age and provide these  
9 tools and strategies during there  
10 formative years. The lessons cover  
11 things such as managing their emotions,  
12 self-taught manners, what we say in our  
13 heads and out loud manners. As adults, I  
14 think that is relevant as well. Each  
15 lesson is reinforced with, like I said,  
16 running.

17 We really want to get a lifetime  
18 appreciation of fitness activity and  
19 instill really important tools and  
20 strategies. We rely on volunteers to  
21 mentor our young girls in our  
22 communities. We have scholarships sites  
23 that are fully funded thanks to donors  
24 and sponsorships.

25 The goal here, and the reason I'm

1  
2 here, is to raise awareness of this type  
3 of program, because it is just so crucial  
4 that girls are given this opportunity for  
5 after school programming that really  
6 means something. And it's not a  
7 competitive program, it's accessible to  
8 all athletic abilities. Even if someone  
9 is disabled mentally or physically, we  
10 have adaptations in our programming to  
11 accomplish that. But we really give kids  
12 an opportunity to belong to part of a  
13 team when live in such a competitive  
14 culture. It's a place that they can  
15 really belong and come and just be with  
16 their peers and grow as humans at a  
17 really young age as they're approaching  
18 those middle school ages.

19 Like I said, I'm just here to grow  
20 awareness. I would love to work with you  
21 and work in developing, especially with a  
22 particular focus on underserved  
23 communities. That's a real big drive of  
24 my own. A lot of districts, as you know,  
25 didn't have after school programming or

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2 clubs or recreational activities this  
3 past year. It was hard enough to get  
4 in-person school, so this is really a big  
5 charge of mine to bring this program to  
6 more underdeveloped communities to these  
7 girls will have someplace to go and  
8 belong and then to celebrate the 5K at  
9 the send of the season.

10 We have two seasons a year. The  
11 spring season, that goes March through  
12 June. The girls meet twice a week for an  
13 hour and a half, so it's a very  
14 comprehensive program. Then we also have  
15 a fall season that meets September  
16 through December.

17 Our office just moved into  
18 Eisenhower Park, I saw a few of you there  
19 at our ribbon cutting ceremony, very  
20 exciting. We will host a small summer  
21 session at Eisenhower Park this summer.  
22 We hope to see it grow on Long Island.  
23 We do have many school districts, but it  
24 doesn't have to be at a school district.  
25 We look for partnerships at parks and



1  
2 other opportunities for us to really  
3 develop this program.

4 I really appreciate your time and  
5 for you listening and for you listening.  
6 If you have any questions; otherwise, I  
7 would I love to just reach out by e-mail.  
8 If anyone is interested in speaking with  
9 me one on one, I could go on and on about  
10 Girls on The Run, more than five minutes.

11 I really appreciate your time and  
12 giving me this opportunity to share more  
13 about this non-profit.

14 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Thank  
15 you, Ms. Dunne. I think Ms. Schaefer has  
16 a question.

17 LEGISLATOR SCHAEFER: Hi.

18 MS. DUNNE: Hi.

19 LEGISLATOR SCHAEFER: Thank you so  
20 much for coming and talking about it. I  
21 remember my niece was involved many years  
22 ago in New Jersey, before you were here.  
23 I heard a lot about the group and I think  
24 it is great organization.

25 You said you were going to e-mail,

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2 so I just wanted to, basically, ask you  
3 to do that so we have your contact info  
4 and get involved to whatever extent we  
5 can.

6 MS. DUNNE: Thank you so much. I  
7 appreciate that. We are all over the  
8 country. We even have one in every  
9 single state, so there's different  
10 concentrations on this. It's been around  
11 for long. That usually how people hear  
12 about it, from relatives and friends in  
13 different states.

14 Thank you so much.

15 LEGISLATOR SCHAEFER: You got it.  
16 Thank you.

17 MS. DUNNE: Thank you, again, for  
18 your time.

19 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Thank  
20 you.

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2 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:

3 Pearl Jacobs.

4 MS. JACOBS: Good afternoon.

5 Congratulations to our Top Cops.

6 I would hope that Commissioner Ryder  
7 has the unwavering support of the entire  
8 legislative body. The majority of the  
9 times that I speak, I speak on behalf of  
10 the Nostrand Gardens Civic Association in  
11 Uniondale. Today I speak as a tax paying  
12 resident.

13 I frequently speak regarding issues  
14 of our minority communities being highly  
15 taxed and under served here in Nassau  
16 County where we pay some of the highest  
17 in the nation, and there is minimal  
18 investment in our communities; however,  
19 our tax monies that are allocated for the  
20 Nassau County Police Department I do not  
21 complain about. Our community of  
22 Uniondale is served and protected. I  
23 would shutter to think what what our  
24 quality would be like if we didn't have  
25 the outstanding police department that we

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2 do.

3 The comment that Commissioner Ryder  
4 made concerning the low diversity  
5 recruitment numbers in Nassau County was  
6 not said with any malice or ill-intent.  
7 Over the past several years, I have  
8 attended numerous diversity recruitment  
9 community meetings in Uniondale,  
10 Roosevelt, and Elmont, attended by  
11 Commissioner Ryder and his administrative  
12 team. No commissioner has worked harder  
13 than Commissioner Ryder in an effort to  
14 improve diversity recruitment numbers  
15 within Nassau County Police Department.  
16 I can certainly attest to this.

17 Our community has and will continue  
18 to support Nassau County diversity  
19 recruitment efforts with outreach  
20 efforts, yet diversity recruitment  
21 efforts remain low. The root cause of  
22 these diversity recruitment numbers is  
23 attributed to a longstanding system of  
24 systematic racism in our country that has  
25 been allowed to fester generation after

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2 generation. The social injustice that  
3 many African Americans have suffered in  
4 this country for generations lends to the  
5 mistrust and apprehension of this current  
6 generation.

7 Commissioner Ryder actions,  
8 community connections, outreach and  
9 support to minority communities has  
10 demonstrated that he is a leader that not  
11 just talks the talk. He is a man of  
12 action, because a person's words mean  
13 nothing if their actions are the complete  
14 opposite.

15 As a county, we would be continue to  
16 be better served by a leader with  
17 vision, empathy, commitment, and a humble  
18 nature to apologize when one makes a  
19 mistake, as we all make mistakes.

20 Commissioner Ryder, thank you for  
21 your leadership, your protection, and  
22 dedication to all residents of Nassau  
23 County, now and for many years to come.  
24 God willing.

25 Now a word to the Legislative Body.

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2 We all see what's happening in New York  
3 City, which is just a 40 minute ride from  
4 Nassau County that is a sad and scarey  
5 set of affairs: Gun violence everyday,  
6 children cannot play freely due to random  
7 shootings, violence in subways, elderly  
8 men and women being violently attacked  
9 and mugged, fireworks being mistaken for  
10 gunshots, indecent exposure and  
11 defecation on city streets, racing cars  
12 and motor cycles on residential streets  
13 and in parks, noise pollution, and not to  
14 mention the out of control sanitation  
15 issues where there is litter everywhere.  
16 People are leaving in droves because of  
17 this extreme downturn and the quality of  
18 life in New York City.

19 Quality of life the is the  
20 foundation for every community. In my  
21 opinion, this sad and disturbing downturn  
22 is attributed to a severe lack of  
23 leadership and lack of support and  
24 respect for the police. Here in Nassau  
25 County we are experiencing some of the

1  
2 same deterioration of quality of life  
3 that is currently in New York City. I  
4 think we're being tested as a county.  
5 You as the Legislative Body, along with  
6 along with community support, are  
7 essential in assisting our Police  
8 Department. The use of technology would  
9 be of great assist to law enforcement as  
10 our police cannot be everywhere. New  
11 York City got one thing right: That was  
12 Vision Zero, putting lives before votes.  
13 Let Nassau County put our lives before  
14 votes.

15 Statistics prove that crime is  
16 reduced by 25% in areas where cameras are  
17 located. As civic president, I have  
18 advocated for cameras in Uniondale, yet I  
19 am still waiting for these cameras. As  
20 police cannot be everywhere, technology  
21 can add assistance and support and most  
22 of all, save lives. I am pleased that  
23 our police will soon be wearing cameras,  
24 as this technology will be beneficial to  
25 both the suspect and the officers.

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2           Legislator Abrahams, I have a  
3 question. Most recent improvements I see  
4 on Westbury Avenue and Merrick Avenue  
5 south of the Southern State, they look  
6 beautiful with the new repaving, just  
7 like Salisbury Park Drive. These roads  
8 were in fair-to-good condition prior to  
9 their repaving. Question: Is Jerusalem  
10 Avenue, a roadway that is currently in  
11 poor-to-fair condition, still on the  
12 Capital Improvement Calendar for repair  
13 this fall as you stated at the April 26th  
14 legislative meeting?

15           LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: Yes.

16           MS. JACOBS: This fall?

17           LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: Yes.

18           MS. JACOBS: Okay. Do you what  
19 month?

20           LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: The fall.

21           MS. JACOBS: The fall in general.

22           LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: Yes.

23           MS. JACOBS: So it will be done  
24 before, let's say, November?

25           LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: I'm not going



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2 to say that; I said the fall.

3 MS. JACOBS: I did see today, I  
4 don't know, there might be a police  
5 report on it, the bridge on the  
6 Meadowbrook Parkway coming off of  
7 Jerusalem Avenue, the overpass, there was  
8 a car that lost its axil. I was going to  
9 stop and take a picture, but the traffic  
10 was too bad. So there was another  
11 accident, not an accident, but he lost  
12 his axil. Okay.

13 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: The axil was  
14 attributed to the road?

15 MS. JACOBS: Yes, it was.

16 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: How do you  
17 know that?

18 MS. JACOBS: Because he came over,  
19 he ran over. He was sitting over there  
20 and I asked him and he said it was  
21 attributed to the bump. It was a low  
22 car, it was a sports car, and he lost his  
23 front left axil and his front left wheel  
24 was that way (indicating).

25 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: So it was a

one car accident.

MS. JACOBS: It was a one car  
incident. Okay?

LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: Okay. Thank  
you.

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2 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Next  
3 speaker is Juan Sayles; I don't know if I  
4 have that correct or not.

5 MR. SAYLES: Good afternoon. That's  
6 Ivan Sayles. That's okay.

7 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Sorry.  
8 The "I" looks like a "J".

9 MR. SAYLES: That's okay.

10 I would like to introduce myself.  
11 My name is Ivan Sayles. I'm a small  
12 business owner of Rachel's Waterside  
13 Grill on the Nautical Mile in Freeport  
14 and the Tropics on the bayou. Former  
15 president of the Freeport Chamber of  
16 Commerce, current President of the  
17 Nautical Mile Merchants Association.

18 I'm a small business man. If you  
19 add up all the other small businessmen  
20 and women like myself, we are actually  
21 the largest in the business in the United  
22 States. Unfortunately, we don't have a  
23 big voice like big business, we have a  
24 lot of tiny voices that need to be heard.

25 I want to talk about the CARES

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2 money we have. I believe it's 63 --  
3 forgive me if my actual numbers are  
4 wrong. I'm hope you will get the concept  
5 and the big picture. It is my  
6 understanding you have about \$62.9  
7 million in CARES money, \$20 million went  
8 to Nassau County, \$10 million is a grant,  
9 and \$10 million has been allocated for  
10 loans.

11 I was the fourth commercial  
12 application to get Sandy money after my  
13 restaurant and home was destroyed. I got  
14 my money four years later. I know that  
15 had nothing to do with Nassau County, but  
16 we're gonna get to the point on that. I  
17 also applied for the restaurant grant in  
18 November and ended up getting it, I  
19 believe, in the first week of February.

20 My point is, the government is not  
21 famous for its speed. The People in  
22 need, need the money now. I have was  
23 fortunate -- I was able to beg, borrow,  
24 and steal to get my restaurant put back  
25 together. It's ruined my credit and it

1  
2 hasn't recovered since. I was fortunate.  
3 A lot of other businesses during the past  
4 pandemic are out of business and that is  
5 evident by empty store fronts throughout  
6 Nassau County. I'm urging you to take  
7 this money and not use it for  
8 infrastructure, not use it for anything  
9 else. For whatever reason, the powers  
10 that be have smiled upon the restaurant  
11 industry and they have gotten PPP money  
12 and grant money and, unfortunately, I  
13 have to use that for certain things, like  
14 payroll, rent, mortgage. But what I can't  
15 use it for is to give it to the other  
16 small businesses like my coffee guy, my  
17 bread guy, the linen company, who  
18 suffered just as much as everybody else,  
19 but there is no grant specific for them.  
20 For some reason, the powers that be  
21 decided just restaurants. So now Nassau  
22 County has the opportunity to give us  
23 more money. I urge you to give it out in  
24 a very speedy fashion so we can help  
25 these people get the help they need

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2 directly. That is pretty much it.

3 Also, I'm not a man of words, but I  
4 would be more than happy to help any  
5 committee or volunteer my time with any  
6 committee or department to help expedite  
7 the distribution of these funds to the  
8 people who need it.

9 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Thank  
10 you, Mr. Sayles.

11 Legislator Deriggi-Whitton?

12 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: I just  
13 want you to know that prior to today, the  
14 funds were available for the Restaurant  
15 Recovery Act as you mentioned. Going  
16 forward, we are going to have  
17 opportunities for all types of  
18 businesses, for small business, so that  
19 will help the people that give you  
20 supplies, as well as other businesses  
21 that did not have the opportunity under  
22 the Restaurant Recovery Act.

23 MR. SAYLES: That's good. We applied  
24 to a company, I hope you're not using  
25 them anymore, called Zoom Grant, which

1  
2 was horrendous. I think it took me about  
3 six hours sitting in front of the  
4 computer to fill out the application for  
5 the grant. Because once you hit a  
6 button, you had to wait until the other  
7 10,000 people did it too. It was just a  
8 horrendous system. I hope you do  
9 something about it.

10 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: I just  
11 want to mention, I was on the American  
12 Recovery Committee, so what we did to  
13 help this exact situation is we opened up  
14 an office in Eisenhower Park at Field 6.  
15 We have representatives there that are  
16 going to know about the Federal Grants,  
17 the State Grants and the County Grants  
18 all in one stop shopping. You have to go  
19 on the website, it's Boost Nassau is the  
20 portal. It's pretty simple to do. You  
21 make an appointment and you can go and  
22 meet with them and they can walk you  
23 through everything and tell you exactly  
24 what you are eligible for.

25 MR. SAYLES: Okay. It was more

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2 specifically about the money that Nassau  
3 County has in its hands now that needs to  
4 be distributed as fast as it can to the  
5 people that need it.

6 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON:

7 Hopefully, we're going to do it today.

8 The other thing is, from what I'm  
9 understanding, you are less restricted  
10 with some of the money that's available  
11 at this point. You have to ask them to  
12 get the clarification on that.

13 MR. SAYLES: All right, Legislator.

14 Thank you. Have a good afternoon.

15 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Thank  
16 you, sir.

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2 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Thomas  
3 Kaufman? Good afternoon.

4 MR. KAUFMAN: Good afternoon. Thank  
5 you for taking the time listen to me.

6 I received this in the mail recently  
7 (indicating). This is about the gas tax  
8 that you're against raising; the tax on  
9 gas, sir. This is yours, right  
10 (indicating)?

11 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Yes.

12 MR. KAUFMAN: I'm against taxes, but  
13 I'm really an environmentalist. My major  
14 reason for being here today is to ask you  
15 what you are doing in regards to the  
16 environmental dealing with the situation  
17 we are in right now. We have fires in  
18 Arizona, fires in California, fires in  
19 Australia, a major heat wave out west and  
20 we are experiencing some of that here.  
21 We know the climate change will make  
22 people move all over the world. They  
23 think 80 million people will be moving.  
24 Some of those people will probably be  
25 here on Long Island because of the rising

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2 levels of the sea. Do we have a plan for  
3 that on Long Island? Do we have a plan if  
4 we actually have to move?

5 I know people are concerned, the  
6 public is concerned with taxes and police  
7 protection and fire protection, and so am  
8 I. But if the climate is such a  
9 disaster, the police, the fire, the  
10 taxes, hmm, are they going to help us?  
11 Are they going to change the environment?

12 I printed up something from *The*  
13 *Guardian*, it's about the stratosphere.  
14 The stratosphere is shrinking. Do we  
15 know that? Do you have any idea about --  
16 I will hand out these copies afterwards.

17 If we can't breathe, and we can't  
18 drink the water, and we don't have enough  
19 crops to feed ourselves, are we not in  
20 serious situation? Nobody is going  
21 answer, okay. What are you doing about  
22 dealing with climate change? Do you have  
23 any plan for the population on this  
24 island to deal with what is happening in  
25 the environment? Please don't tell me it

1  
2 is the government's responsibility; it is  
3 your responsibility. You are responsible  
4 for your constituents. There are people  
5 that are going to suffer massively due to  
6 this climate situation. What have you  
7 done in last 3-4 years since you've been  
8 in office to deal with any of this?  
9 Silence. Does this mean no one can  
10 answer me? I can't have a dialogue with  
11 somebody here? Somebody can't say, hey  
12 --

13 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: This  
14 is a five minute comment period.

15 MR. KAUFMAN: I know it's five  
16 minutes, but we can talk, can't we?

17 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: It's  
18 for you to make your comments and then,  
19 if we want to respond, we can. It's  
20 basically for you to make your comments.  
21 It's not a dialogue.

22 MR. KAUFMAN: Okay. So at the end  
23 of five minutes we can talk?

24 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: At the  
25 end of five minutes, you're done. If

1  
2 anyone up here wants to respond, they  
3 can. If not, then if you want to talk to  
4 me off line at some point, I would be  
5 happy to do so.

6 MR. KAUFMAN: Okay. Great.

7 An idea: I'm driving around town  
8 and I see people in their cars texting  
9 with their windows rolled up and their  
10 engine running. This is adding to the  
11 pollution in the environment. What is  
12 Mineola going to do about that, or  
13 anybody in Nassau County going to do  
14 about that? I mean, they're fining  
15 people in San Francisco for being in  
16 their car for more than five minutes with  
17 the engine running. They're also doing  
18 it in New York City.

19 I have another question about  
20 recycling. I put my stuff out on the  
21 street everyday, but I don't know where  
22 it goes, and I have a feeling it is not  
23 actually being separated. Another issue  
24 of mine.

25 Long Island Railroad is letting the

1  
2 train sit on the tracks forever these  
3 last couple of weekends, engine running.  
4 Why? Makes no sense. None at all. It's  
5 adding pollution to the environment, it's  
6 adding noise pollution. Even the drivers  
7 tell me it's the stupidest thing they've  
8 ever seen. Okay. You're not the Long  
9 Island Rail Road.

10 What are we doing to do about the  
11 environment? That's really my question  
12 here. What can you guys do? Who's in  
13 charge? Who's in charge of the air  
14 quality, the water quality, the food that  
15 we eat? Who makes sure that the children  
16 of the future, people behind me, your  
17 grandchildren, are going to be able to  
18 live in a healthy environment? Who's in  
19 charge of that here?

20 You have committees. What committee  
21 is gonna deal with any of this? All  
22 around us we see the problems. We're not  
23 stupid. You read the papers. You know  
24 what's happening. You know the climate's  
25 in danger, what are we going to do?

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2 I have 13 seconds. I would love to  
3 talk to anybody here to plan something  
4 for the future. You have to have a plan.  
5 You just can't keep going blindly into  
6 the future. What is your plan?

7 Anybody want to talk?

8 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Thank  
9 you for your time, Mr. Kaufman.

10 MR. KAUFMAN: Okay.

11 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: I can  
12 say this about the flyer I sent out --

13 MR. KAUFMAN: Yeah.

14 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: I'm  
15 going to make a statement. I listened to  
16 you patiently for five minutes.

17 MR. KAUFMAN: Okay, please.

18 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: I  
19 stand firmly against the proposal to  
20 raise gasoline taxes by 55 cents a  
21 gallon. I stand firmly against the  
22 proposal to raise the cost of home  
23 heating and cooling, which according to  
24 one estimate, would be an increase of 26%  
25 increase of natural gas costs alone.

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2 This would raise 16 billion dollars for  
3 the State government; however, in a time  
4 of us emerging from a pandemic, with  
5 gasoline prices already sky rocketing,  
6 with the economic fall out from the  
7 pandemic, with seniors on fixed incomes,  
8 people who are economically disadvantaged  
9 having difficulty putting food on the  
10 table, these proposals are a bad idea.  
11 So I sent a mailer to my entire district  
12 informing people of the proposals and to  
13 contact their State Legislators. I stand  
14 firmly behind that mailing and, as I  
15 said, I oppose those proposals.

16 Fortunately, the State Legislature  
17 has gone out of session, so it is  
18 unlikely that that is going to happen  
19 this year. But certainly, if we know  
20 anything by the last few years, a  
21 proposal such as cashless bail, it  
22 certainly can be brought up again next  
23 year. The important part of sending  
24 mails outs is letting your constituents  
25 know. Often times things happen in

1  
2 government that your constituents aren't  
3 aware of. I have a tremendous amount of  
4 positive feedback back for that.

5 But the concept of raising gasoline  
6 prices in this environment, raising the  
7 cost of heating your house or cooling  
8 your house is a terrible idea.

9 MR. KAUFMAN: I'm with you on that,  
10 partially. But when people drive SUVs and  
11 let them just sit there burning the gas  
12 where ever they are. The bigger the car,  
13 the more gas. We know that SUVs put 20%  
14 CO2 in the air. There's something that  
15 has to be done in order to cut down on  
16 that. If the gas tax does that with  
17 people, they take a much more serious  
18 responsibility about how much gas they  
19 burn, great. But if they don't -- when  
20 it hits them in the pocketbook, it's  
21 like, yeah, maybe I shouldn't let my car  
22 run forever in the parking lot.

23 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: I  
24 mean, look, that's a point, but this is a  
25 regressive tax. That person that's



1  
2 driving the Escalade or the Yukon  
3 probably has the wherewithal to pay for  
4 the extra costs. What happens with taxes  
5 like this is the people who could least  
6 afford it, get hit the hardest. If  
7 you're driving an Escalade, you can  
8 probably pay 55 cents more a gallon.  
9 It's gonna hurt a little bit, but the guy  
10 who is using his car to get to work has  
11 got to pay more for his gas, those are  
12 the people that get hurt by something  
13 like this.

14 MR. KAUFMAN: I understand that. I  
15 really do. That is what the "*gilets*  
16 *jaunes*" protested against in France two  
17 years ago. But there has to be something  
18 in order to deal with the environment and  
19 help us keep the air clean.

20 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Look,  
21 I'd be happy to discuss this with you.

22 MR. KAUFMAN: I'm ready.

23 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: You  
24 have my telephone number.

25 MR. KAUFMAN: Please do. Can we

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2 have a meeting?

3 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Yes,  
4 absolutely. My name and address is on --  
5 what?

6 MR. KAUFMAN: Is there an  
7 environmental committee here?

8 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: We  
9 have a committee called the Planning and  
10 Development Environment Committee, so we  
11 do have a committee to focuses on the  
12 environmental issues.

13 MR. KAUFMAN: Will you invite me to  
14 that?

15 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Yes.  
16 When there is items before us, hearings,  
17 we will make sure you are on the list.

18 MR. KAUFMAN: Thank you.

19 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Sure.

20 MR. KAUFMAN: Thank you. I  
21 appreciate it.

22 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: That  
23 concludes our public comments for today.  
24 We are going to go into the Legislative  
25 Calendar. We are going to go a little

1  
2 bit out of order. We have the  
3 Commissioner of Police here. We want to  
4 consider the item with respect to body  
5 cameras. We are going to consider that  
6 first. After that, we will do the  
7 college, because we have the president of  
8 the college here as well and then we will  
9 get to the rest of the calendar.

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PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:

Start of with Item #26.

A resolution approving an amendment via memorandum of understanding to the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the County of Nassau and the Nassau County Police Benevolent Association.

That is moved by Legislator Ferretti and seconded by Legislator Rhoads. The item is before the Full Legislature. I will turn the floor over to you.

COMMISSIONER SMITH: Good afternoon, everybody.

So kind of where we left off the last time we talked about it is, we come into the possession of several body cameras to conduct tests, both --

I'm sorry, Deputy Commissioner Kevin Smith, Nassau County Police Department.

So we have come into possession of several cameras. These are to perform tests and to make sure they perform as we expect with no reason that they wont. Although, there are things like battery

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2 life, durability on the camera itself and  
3 the harnesses that keep the camera on the  
4 police officer; video performance; the  
5 uploading process, downloading process;  
6 all things that are to be looked at.

7 We expect the cameras to be  
8 introduced in the Eighth Precinct in  
9 September, and parts of the Fifth  
10 Precinct as well. At that point, it will  
11 be kind of like a test, if you will, to  
12 make sure the behave in the field as  
13 expected by the officers that are wearing  
14 them on a daily basis, 24-hour-a-day.

15 We have a Draft Policy that we are  
16 working on. I know people are concerned  
17 about a draft, we do. We've had several  
18 policy meetings about it. We update the  
19 draft regularly. As I've stated, there  
20 are many facets of policing that are  
21 going to have to be looked at. We will  
22 mimic policies from other departments  
23 around the area, New York City being one  
24 of them and My HCP (phonetic) being  
25 another organization that basically sets

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2 policy on a lot of police issues around  
3 the country. They will, of course, be  
4 tailored to fit our needs for our  
5 particular work environment. As you  
6 know, we don't do certain procedural  
7 things the same way that New York City  
8 does. For instance, we relieve our  
9 officers in the field, not at a central  
10 location or a central station house.

11 Training modules will have to be  
12 established as well. Both for the people  
13 who are wearing the cameras, how to  
14 operate the camera, as well as protocol  
15 and policy which will be stated in the  
16 draft.

17 In addition, the people who are  
18 behind the scenes will have to be trained  
19 as well. As staff that will be  
20 accountable to our Intelligence Bureau on  
21 a specific Body One Camera Unit which  
22 will be manned by supervisors and Intel  
23 analysts. They will be auditing the  
24 process as well and making sure, trouble  
25 shooting different situations that might

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2 arise as people begin to be accustomed to  
3 wearing these cameras, turning them on  
4 and off at the appropriate times and  
5 things of that nature, and to make sure  
6 they are complying the appropriate way.

7 The video that's going to be  
8 ascertained by the cameras will obviously  
9 be used for a variety of things. The  
10 District Attorney will probably receive a  
11 variety of camera footage for things such  
12 as discovery in criminal cases; looking  
13 at video that will pertain to certain  
14 investigations that we would loop;  
15 analyze complaints; review circumstances  
16 surrounding different police activity.

17 On the administrative end of the  
18 program, it is going to be maintained, as  
19 I said, by a staff. They too will have  
20 to be trained. The training will  
21 probably be more extensive, in that they  
22 are going to be looking at most of the  
23 video from behind the scenes, as I said,  
24 in the Intel Bureau. They will also be  
25 responsible for training; issuing new

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2 directives; repairs or facilitating  
3 repairs on the cameras as need be;  
4 upgrades as we go along; and video  
5 distribution, as I said, to the  
6 appropriate authorities that might need  
7 it, such as the District Attorney's  
8 Office, Attorney General, whatever the  
9 case may be. They will also be  
10 responsible for liaison with the District  
11 Attorney's Office, our internal ITU,  
12 other agencies as need be.

13 The principle people behind helping  
14 us are Getach who manufactures the device  
15 itself, and Island Tech Services which  
16 installs and maintains the working and  
17 upgrades that might be needed as we move  
18 on into this program.

19 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: I take  
20 it by your stopping, you're opening the  
21 thing up to questions, correct?

22 COMMISSIONER SMITH: I'm ready.

23 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Okay.  
24 The only question I have, and then I will  
25 let the rest of the legislators go is, in



1  
2 terms of turning the body camera on and  
3 off, obviously, there would be a protocol  
4 for when officers do that, correct?

5 COMMISSIONER SMITH: When the  
6 officer puts the camera on, he has to  
7 engage it to work. To be powered on, he  
8 does that by pressing a button. Now it  
9 is in a standby mode. When it's time to  
10 actually record, if he is having a  
11 conversation with someone or about to  
12 have a conversation with someone or he is  
13 going on call, he engages it lightly one  
14 second. Basically, pressing it and going  
15 like, one Mississippi, that type of  
16 thing, and the camera engages. To shut  
17 it off, he does the same thing, but he  
18 counts three and then it will go off.

19 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: In  
20 terms of when they actually do that, when  
21 they activate the camera, that will be  
22 determined by protocol and policy of the  
23 Department of interactions, calls --

24 COMMISSIONER SMITH: That's right.  
25 Certain types of services will put it on,

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2 vehicle and traffic stops will put it on.  
3 As he engages the public. And if feels  
4 the need, if he's having a conversation  
5 with someone and he feels the need to  
6 turn it on, he can turn it on at any  
7 time.

8 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Okay.  
9 The protocols and procedures will be  
10 important to publicize. That will give  
11 the public an extra level of comfort I  
12 believe.

13 COMMISSIONER SMITH: Absolutely.  
14 That will be done through RedLand  
15 Strategies. They are going to look for  
16 community outreach. They are going to  
17 community outreach and they're going to  
18 talk to different people and find out  
19 what their expectations are, do they feel  
20 there will be any problems with the  
21 camera program.

22 I can't see a lot of people against  
23 the camera program. I think the way we  
24 are going to lay it out is going to be  
25 pretty nice, pretty good. I think what

1  
2 feeling is around the Police Department  
3 is the officers are ready and prepared to  
4 deal with it.

5 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Anyone  
6 else?

7 Legislator Solages?

8 LEGISLATOR SOLAGES: Thank you,  
9 Presiding Officer.

10 Good afternoon.

11 COMMISSIONER SMITH: Good afternoon.

12 LEGISLATOR SOLAGES: I noticed that  
13 at the last meeting you mentioned that  
14 the program would released through the  
15 Eighth Precinct and today you mentioned  
16 that it would be also unveiled for the  
17 Fifth Precinct, which is the 3rd  
18 District. Can you please describe more  
19 information as to what led to that  
20 difference?

21 COMMISSIONER SMITH: We wanted to  
22 engage an entire precinct to see how it  
23 runs on entire level. Now that entire  
24 level was the Eighth Precinct. It's a  
25 precinct that kind of falls into the

1  
2 middle of items when it's calls for  
3 service, has a large scope of people in  
4 the Eighth Precinct, but much as I said,  
5 calls for service was one of the big  
6 determinations. We don't want to  
7 overload the system at first. We also  
8 decided at one point that the Fifth  
9 Precinct would be a good area as well. A  
10 few isolated cars in the Fifth and we are  
11 constricted to by some budget restraints  
12 too, as to how many cameras we can order  
13 at the time.

14 LEGISLATOR SOLAGES: Understood.

15 The fact that you are willing to  
16 increase the scope of the program beyond  
17 the Eighth Precinct and also with the  
18 Fifth Precinct, shows that you are  
19 willing to learn the best capabilities  
20 for this program to succeed. I  
21 appreciate that, and I thank you for at  
22 least this being a fluid plan and not  
23 just a stagnant, stale plan. I  
24 appreciate that.

25 Thank you.

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2 COMMISSIONER SMITH: You are very  
3 welcome.

4 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Any  
5 other legislature have any questions for  
6 Commissioner Smith?

7 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: Is it  
8 safe to say that anytime an officer goes  
9 on a call, the camera will be turned on?

10 COMMISSIONER SMITH: That is  
11 correct.

12 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: That is  
13 done manually by the police officer?

14 COMMISSIONER SMITH: That's correct.

15 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: Is that  
16 how it's always done in all departments?

17 COMMISSIONER SMITH: No. Every  
18 department does it as they feel best  
19 suited to do it. There are different  
20 triggers that can be put on, different  
21 devices to make the camera go on  
22 automatically, but with that also could  
23 come failure. That means batteries. For  
24 instance, to take a gun out of your  
25 holster, it means an extra battery has to

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2 be put on it. To take your taser out,  
3 your night stick out, if those are the  
4 conditions that you want to put forward,  
5 you may have additional failure.

6 Batteries have to be checked out more  
7 frequently; how long do they last? We've  
8 been advised even by the people who  
9 manufacture the item, sometimes the less  
10 triggers you have, the better off you  
11 are.

12 Just how officers are trained with  
13 tasers and weapons and night sticks, it  
14 becomes muscle memory to make sure it  
15 goes on and to hit it to make sure it  
16 goes off. We feel this is the best way  
17 to proceed at this time.

18 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: Is  
19 there anything required that the police  
20 officer should put it on as they go to a  
21 call; is that mandated in anyway?

22 COMMISSIONER SMITH: The whole  
23 procedure will be a training session for  
24 officers, so that they learn when it is  
25 to be going on or when to take it off.

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2 Even the policy will cover things such as  
3 if an officer, perhaps, forgot to turn it  
4 on; what would you do in that  
5 circumstance? Well, you'd have to  
6 contact the supervisor; perhaps, write a  
7 report, perhaps, learned to be retrained  
8 in it.

9 Initially, there will be mistakes.  
10 I kind accept that that will happen. We  
11 looked at other police departments, and  
12 at first when they were introduced,  
13 officers at times, maybe when they  
14 haven't been trained for long enough or  
15 had enough experience with the camera,  
16 has maybe failed to put the camera on  
17 once or twice. But they learn very  
18 rapidly to do this. Just as they  
19 learned, as I said, with their weapons  
20 and other protocols, they learn how to do  
21 it.

22 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: Thank  
23 you.

24 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Let me  
25 just follow up again. The determination

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2 of when officers turn on their cameras,  
3 it's going to be specified in a written  
4 procedure or protocol that's going to be  
5 provided, correct?

6 COMMISSIONER SMITH: That is  
7 correct. And we will provide that to the  
8 public.

9 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Those  
10 procedures are being developed now?

11 COMMISSIONER SMITH: They are.

12 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Is  
13 that internally in the police department  
14 with the consultants?

15 COMMISSIONER SMITH: Internally by  
16 the police department and we have been  
17 advised by the consultants at times.  
18 When we ask them to research certain  
19 questions for us, they provide that  
20 pretty diligently.

21 Legislator Gaylor?

22 LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: Thank you,  
23 Presiding Officer.

24 Commissioner, good afternoon.

25 COMMISSIONER SMITH: Good afternoon.



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2           LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: Just two quick  
3 questions: Are there currently any  
4 villages that are using bodycams in  
5 Nassau County?

6           COMMISSIONER SMITH: I think there  
7 are several. I think Freeport has them  
8 and I believe Malverne has them. I'm  
9 not sure about other villages.

10          LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: Have you done  
11 any coordination or checking with them on  
12 their policies and procedures?

13          COMMISSIONER SMITH: Yeah. Some of  
14 the people we have on our team have been  
15 checking out with Freeport and Malverne  
16 and talk kind of anecdotally about how  
17 the cameras work.

18          LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: Okay. Great.

19          COMMISSIONER SMITH: I think they  
20 have a different product than us.

21          LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: Okay. My second  
22 question, unrelated to the first:  
23 Instead of a manual procedure to engage  
24 the body camera, is there a means or a  
25 way that it can be automatically engaged

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2 when the service call goes out to the  
3 precinct car?

4 COMMISSIONER SMITH: It's called a  
5 trigger device. There are many kinds of  
6 trigger devices. The problem with the  
7 more trigger devices you have, they're  
8 more subject to failure. Trigger devices  
9 need a battery to engage things.

10 LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: Right.

11 COMMISSIONER SMITH: An additional  
12 battery. Other than the battery that  
13 comes on the camera, any external battery  
14 that we have that attaches to our camera  
15 as well.

16 LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: All right. Part  
17 of your study and analysis is looking at  
18 these various means to trigger and  
19 determine which is the best.

20 COMMISSIONER SMITH: We believe that  
21 manual activation and manual off are the  
22 way to go.

23 LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: Okay. Very  
24 good. Thank you.

25 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:

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2           Legislator Walker?

3           LEGISLATOR WALKER: The battery that  
4           they have to use for these cameras, is  
5           there a way they can recharge them in  
6           their vehicle? I mean, just like our  
7           phones, there times that your battery can  
8           go all day or a day and a half or  
9           whatever, depending on how much you're  
10          using it. Sometimes if you're using it  
11          for a GPS, or whatever, certain things  
12          use the battery up quicker. So our  
13          officers, their shift is a long period of  
14          time. If they were very active during  
15          that time, could those batteries die and  
16          they don't have access to recharging?

17          COMMISSIONER SMITH: All our  
18          officers are going to be issued an  
19          individual camera which has an internal  
20          battery. It also has an external battery  
21          that can be attached on. The internal  
22          battery give them, perhaps, 12 hours, and  
23          the external battery should feed the the  
24          camera itself and, perhaps, give anywhere  
25          from 5 to 6 more hours. In addition to

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2 that, each officer will be issued what's  
3 called a magnetic tether. Basically,  
4 what that does is it's a plug in, just  
5 like you might plug in your Iphone into  
6 your car. It plugs in on one side and  
7 the other is a magnet that holds it to  
8 the bottom of the camera. It detaches  
9 very easily. It can be just ripped away  
10 or as the officer gets out, it can just  
11 fall to the seat of the car. It does not  
12 lock him into the car. That continues to  
13 provide battery power as he's driving  
14 around on, patrol as he is looking and  
15 patrolling his neighborhoods, and things  
16 of that nature.

17 LEGISLATOR WALKER: Thank you.

18 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE FOX: Hi.  
19 This is Deputy County Executive Tatum  
20 Fox. I'm sorry to interrupt, Mr.  
21 Presiding Officer. I am by phone.

22 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Go  
23 ahead, Tatum.

24 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE FOX: Hi,  
25 everyone. I apologize that I am not

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2 there. I just wanted to let you know I  
3 am here. Thank you, Commissioner Smith  
4 as well and the legislative body. I'm  
5 away on family vacation for the first  
6 time; otherwise, I would be there.

7 I just wanted to speak to question  
8 regarding when the camera will be turned  
9 on and while it appears at this point  
10 with all the technology available, it  
11 would be a manual process to turn the  
12 cameras on, the camera itself, the  
13 technology will allow us to explore  
14 automatic triggers while they do come  
15 with other items that would be necessary,  
16 like blue tooth activation, and I will  
17 leave that to the technical people, which  
18 is not me. That is definitely something  
19 -- this is a starting point and we can  
20 explore all options and see what works  
21 best in Nassau County with the body  
22 cameras based upon input from this  
23 Legislative Body, from the community, and  
24 all updates of the policy will be shared  
25 with the public for all to examen. It

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2 will be an ongoing dialogue in regard to  
3 the policy.

4 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Thank  
5 you, Tatum.

6 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE FOX: If  
7 there are any other questions, I just  
8 wanted to let you know I am here.

9 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Thank  
10 you, Tatum.

11 Commissioner, did you want to add  
12 anything?

13 POLICE COMMISSIONER RYDER: No. I  
14 think Tatum said it perfect. You're all  
15 going to get to see the policy and  
16 procedures. We will go through them, and  
17 we will release those publically when it  
18 is all said and done so the public will  
19 continue to have dialogue with Mike  
20 Balbone (phonetic) and his team there.

21 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Are  
22 there any other questions?

23 (Whereupon, no verbal  
24 response.)

25 COMMISSIONER SMITH: Thank you for

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2 your time.

3 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Thank  
4 you Commissioner.

5 Any other debate or discussion on  
6 this item?

7 (Whereupon, no verbal  
8 response.)

9 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
10 Hearing none. All in favor?

11 (Whereupon, all members of  
12 the Nassau County Legislature  
13 respond in favor with, "Aye".)

14 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Those  
15 opposed?

16 (Whereupon, no verbal  
17 response.)

18 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
19 Carries unanimously, 18:0. Thank  
20 you, all.

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2 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Item  
3 #4. An ordinance to adopt the Nassau  
4 County Budget for the Nassau Community  
5 College for the Fiscal Year commencing  
6 September 1, 2021 and ending August 31,  
7 2022, and to appropriate revenues and the  
8 total amount of monies to be raised by  
9 taxation within the County of Nassau for  
10 the purposed of Nassau Community College  
11 for such fiscal year.

12 Moved by Legislator Drucker,  
13 seconded by Legislator Walker.

14 So that puts this item before us.  
15 Mr. President?

16 DR. WILLIAMS: Thank you. Good  
17 afternoon, Legislators.

18 Jermaine, J-E-R-M-A-I-N-E, F.  
19 Williams, President, Nassau Community  
20 College. I'm joined by Julio Izquierdo,  
21 Vice President, Finance of the College  
22 and Adrian Kerrigan, Vice President for  
23 Institutional Advancement.

24 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Before  
25 you begin. We had a motion and a second



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2 and we actually have to open the hearing.

3 DR. WILLIAMS: My apologies.

4 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: No.  
5 That was my fault.

6 All in favor for opening the  
7 hearing, signify by saying, "Aye".

8 (Whereupon, all members of  
9 the Nassau County Legislative  
10 Body respond in favor with,  
11 "Aye".)

12 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Those  
13 opposed?

14 (Whereupon, no verbal  
15 response.)

16 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
17 Hearing is open. Now the floor is  
18 yours.

19 DR. WILLIAMS: My apologies.

20 Thank you, all the legislators for  
21 taking the time to meet with the college  
22 over the past several weeks. We  
23 presented a presentation and we are  
24 thankful for your insightful follow up to  
25 help ensure that we're very candid in

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2 terms of how the college is being good  
3 stewards of the monies and the funds  
4 providing for Nassau County.

5 We still remain the largest single  
6 campus community college of the 30 SUNY.  
7 A few weeks ago, 2,800+ students  
8 graduated from Nassau Community College,  
9 so we provide a great benefit to the  
10 County and we are very thankful for your  
11 ongoing support here today, and looking  
12 for your continued support.

13 I would like to just reiterate  
14 before any questions, comments or  
15 concerns, that the budget before you  
16 shows no tuition or fees increase and we,  
17 obviously, are doing that for multiple  
18 reasons. One of the primary outcomes is  
19 to ensure the residents of Nassau County  
20 are able to access a high quality  
21 academic and student support experience  
22 at an affordable rate.

23 I am definitely open to questions or  
24 concerns.

25 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Thank

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2           you.

3           My concern, and it's something I  
4           brought up after our briefing and you had  
5           provided a response in terms of the  
6           recouping plan for the college. This is  
7           a nationwide trend, but we have seen a  
8           loss of the number of students attending  
9           Nassau Community College and I think it  
10          is crucial that we turn that around.

11          The efforts that you and your  
12          administration are making I think have to  
13          really be geared for success in terms of  
14          brining more students to the college. It  
15          is an excellent education opportunity at  
16          a very reasonable cost. The more that we  
17          can bring students in, not just from  
18          Nassau County, but, perhaps, from other  
19          areas of our state. I think one of the  
20          recruitment plans is for international as  
21          well, which I think that would be better  
22          for the long term success for the  
23          college, so we would like to see you be  
24          very successful with your recruitment  
25          efforts.

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2 DR. WILLIAMS: Thank you. Thank  
3 you, Presiding Officer. To that, we  
4 have actually just started a partnership  
5 that will commence in the Fall 2021 with  
6 Adelphi University where students are able  
7 to attend Nassau County and actually live  
8 at Adelphi University. One of the things  
9 you saw on the recruitment plan was  
10 housing, given time and taking an  
11 alternative approach, but still providing  
12 the need.

13 One of the other components that I  
14 can share about recruitment, students  
15 will have two partnerships starting in  
16 Fall of 2021 as well with Baldwin School  
17 District and West Hempstead where several  
18 high school seniors from those schools  
19 will actually be taking their senior  
20 class at Nassau Community College, which  
21 is helping them experience Nassau  
22 Community College. There is recruitment.  
23 Hopefully, they will transition to Nassau  
24 Community College.

25 One of the other features that I

1  
2 will share is that Board of Trustees  
3 recently approved a few academic programs  
4 because we want to make sure we are  
5 providing the academic programs that are  
6 need. Cyber Security was recently  
7 approved as well as Office Medical  
8 Assistant. All of these and more, I  
9 didn't even mentioned the other Duncan  
10 (phonetic), that's up you your slate a  
11 little later, which will provide an  
12 opportunity for 200 students to be in our  
13 hospitality program. We are endeavoring  
14 to make changes so that we can increase  
15 enrollment.

16 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Okay.  
17 Does anyone else have any questions for  
18 Dr. Williams?

19 Legislator Walker?

20 LEGISLATOR WALKER: I don't really  
21 have a question, just a comment. I know  
22 when I worked in the Hicksville School  
23 District, I did a lot to encourage our  
24 students to go to Nassau Community. Many  
25 of them were not as affluent and could

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2 not afford a four year right off the bat  
3 and I would encourage them all the time.  
4 Saying, you're gonna get a great  
5 education, you work real hard, you can  
6 get a scholarship to another four year  
7 school and continue your education  
8 wherever.

9 I love the idea with Adelphi,  
10 because many of those students then might  
11 go on to attend Adelphi for the rest of  
12 their program and keep our students here  
13 in Nassau County and on Long Island and  
14 close by.

15 I know that high schools offer many  
16 students college credits for classes.  
17 Those college credits, are they  
18 acceptable (sic) at Nassau also?

19 DR. WILLIAMS: The short answer is  
20 yes. I could get into a very long  
21 answer, but --

22 LEGISLATOR WALKER: The short answer  
23 is yes.

24 DR. WILLIAMS: As long as they're an  
25 accredited institution, then yes. They

1  
2 would be accepted. We have several  
3 students who come in with those transfer  
4 credits.

5 LEGISLATOR WALKER: And anything I  
6 can do and I'm sure many of the  
7 legislators or all of us would say the  
8 same thing, anything we could do within  
9 our districts to help add recruitment to  
10 our community college would be wonderful.

11 DR. WILLIAMS: Thank you. You all  
12 did so much, as I look around and make  
13 eye contact with several legislators who  
14 I've talked with on several occasions.  
15 Thank you.

16 LEGISLATOR WALKER: Thank you,  
17 Legislator.

18 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
19 Legislator Drucker then Legislator Gaylor  
20 then Legislator Mule.

21 LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: Thank you,  
22 Presiding Officer.

23 Dr. Williams, it's always a pleasure  
24 to see you.

25 DR. WILLIAMS: Likewise, sir.

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2                   LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: I want to  
3 commend you on presenting a very good  
4 budget this year. One that, despite the  
5 challenges you're facing, does not  
6 require a tuition increase, which is  
7 certainly a very opportune time to not  
8 have a tuition increase.

9                   But it is still concerning to me and  
10 I'm sure to all of us. I have a personal  
11 affection to the college because of my  
12 affiliation there and I would like to see  
13 the college flourish and certainly be  
14 able to sustain itself in years to come.  
15 The disturbing trend of declining  
16 enrollment is concerning to me and I'm  
17 sure to all of us. When I was at the  
18 college as a trustee, we had about  
19 22-23,000 and we are down to about  
20 12-13,000 and change now; is that  
21 correct, Dr. Williams?

22                  DR. WILLIAMS: Yes. That is as far  
23 as the Fall --

24                  LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: And you are  
25 still anticipating a further decrease.



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2 We have to try to reverse that. I have  
3 been having conversations with you and  
4 your staff and the administration here  
5 and the Police Department to try to find  
6 ways -- for example, we talked about the  
7 Micro Credential Program and to use that  
8 as a way to enhance enrollment and  
9 retention and I would like to see those  
10 initiatives pursued further by the  
11 college, because this is an opportunity  
12 for you to pull out all the stops and do  
13 what you can to reverse the trend. You'd  
14 be remiss, and we'd all be remiss, if you  
15 don't explore every possibility to take  
16 advantage of some of the things we have  
17 to entice residents of Long Island to  
18 come to the college. Not just young  
19 people, working people, older people.

20 The college to this day remains a  
21 feudal and wonderful opportunity as a  
22 gateway, as a pathway to many, many  
23 successful careers. This is a step that  
24 many people in Nassau County and coming  
25 off of a pandemic, this is a perfect

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2 opportunity to take advantage of the  
3 great institution Nassau Community  
4 College has. I would like to see  
5 initiatives that we've discussed be  
6 advanced further.

7 I'm concerned, yes, you have a  
8 budget that's gonna get you through this  
9 year. I'm concerned about next year. I'm  
10 concerned, you're not getting an increase  
11 in funding from the County. I'd like to  
12 see that increase as well. But with  
13 attrition and with the current  
14 enrollment, and with the increase in  
15 expenses and the salary and contractual  
16 obligations you have, I'm concerned. I'd  
17 like to see a real initiative that is  
18 imperative by the college to try to  
19 reverse that.

20 DR. WILLIAMS: Thank you, Legislator  
21 Drucker for all of your support and  
22 comments. We are forward facing and  
23 looking towards the future, absolutely.  
24 And I know my expectation, I will confirm  
25 when I return to the office, is that our

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2 dean and chairperson of criminal justice  
3 are meeting with you and your team and  
4 others to really flesh out that idea and  
5 talk more about it. It's just one idea,  
6 but there are multiple ideas.

7 LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: Micro  
8 Credentialing is really, really an  
9 opportunity that we should not squander.  
10 Do you agree?

11 DR. WILLIAMS: I do. Yes, yes. It  
12 is something I know that as I looked  
13 through the historical documents with the  
14 college has been a conversation for  
15 multiple years, and it is something that  
16 we need to move forward with like we did  
17 with dual enrollment and concurrent  
18 enrollment and the Adelphi partnership.  
19 We do recognize that potential and we are  
20 pursuing it. Over all, not just with  
21 just the specific --

22 LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: You know, you  
23 can always count on my support of the  
24 college and I'm sure most of us here as  
25 well. All of us here as well.

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2 But again, I'd like to see the  
3 dialogue between us continue and even  
4 grow so we can take advantage of these  
5 opportunities and these initiatives. I  
6 certainly have presented you with some.

7 DR. WILLIAMS: Thank you, Legislator  
8 Drucker.

9 LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: Presiding  
10 Officer?

11 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
12 Legislator Gaylor, then Legislator Mule.

13 LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: Thank you,  
14 Presiding Officer.

15 So my colleague pretty much hit the  
16 points that I was going to raise. I'm  
17 particularly concerned about the  
18 declining enrollment, because year after  
19 year, at least the almost six years I've  
20 been here, every year we hear the same  
21 thing. Enrollment declining, we are  
22 doing X, Y, and Z, it's gonna turn around  
23 and it's not turning around. I challenge  
24 you to put a stop to that and figure out  
25 a solution here relatively quickly

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2 because I don't know how much longer you  
3 can go with declining enrollment and  
4 stand before us and ask for salary  
5 increases and budget increases. There's  
6 going to come a point and time that you  
7 may not get the budgets that you want,  
8 like you will this year.

9 I attended Nassau Community back  
10 1981 and it was a great opportunity and a  
11 great time for me in my life. There was  
12 a time when there was multiples of tens  
13 of thousands of students attending Nassau  
14 Community College and now we're down to  
15 some very serious low numbers that if we  
16 don't turn it around, we may lose this  
17 gemstone in our count. Maybe it gets  
18 consolidated with Suffolk Community or  
19 maybe SUNY takes it over. Those things  
20 are always possible and always talked  
21 about.

22 So I challenge you to take this to  
23 heart, okay. Turn this around quickly,  
24 because you have the perfect opportunity  
25 to fix the problems at the college.

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2 That's where I'll leave it.

3 DR. WILLIAMS: Thank you, Legislator  
4 Gaylor.

5 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
6 Legislator Mule.

7 LEGISLATGOR MULE: Thank you,  
8 Presiding Officer.

9 I too wish to congratulate you on  
10 the budget this year and that there is  
11 not increases for the students. I know  
12 this is being done under extremely  
13 difficult circumstances.

14 My question was going to be about  
15 the possibility of having the students  
16 stay at the campus, because I know there  
17 is the one community college upstate  
18 where they have dorms and you're telling  
19 us that that is already in the works. I  
20 think that's a really great opportunity.  
21 I look forward to hearing more about that  
22 and if it goes through.

23 Just to reiterate what everyone else  
24 has said, we have to do whatever we can  
25 to make sure that Nassau Community

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2 remains a viable option for the students  
3 of Nassau County.

4 Actually, I do have a question for  
5 the presiding officer. It's my  
6 understanding that back in January a  
7 motion was filed to put Dr. Kishore  
8 Kuncahm who is the superintendent of the  
9 Freeport Schools on the Board of  
10 Trustees. Given the fact that the county  
11 population of Asian Americans is  
12 increasing and you put forward the Office  
13 of Asian American Affairs, which is a  
14 wonderful thing, I think it would be  
15 important to make sure that gets  
16 calendared as soon as possible. He would  
17 be a wonderful addition to the Board of  
18 Trustees to the college, an incredible  
19 asset. I know because I was the Board of  
20 education working along side him and I  
21 know what he can bring. Thank you.

22 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: I  
23 would agree. He is tremendously talented  
24 educator and he would certainly bring his  
25 talents to the College Board. The

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2 proposal was made to replace George  
3 Garden, who happens to be one of the only  
4 Hispanic Americans who has been appointed  
5 to any position of significance in the  
6 County. There are certainly going to be  
7 openings in the next couple of years and  
8 it's certainly something we are going to  
9 look at. We are still looking at him,  
10 but of course it's -- you don't want to  
11 take someone off who is doing a fine job  
12 and who represents this community very  
13 well. Let's put it that way.

14 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:

15 Legislator DeRiggi-Whitton.

16 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: Hi.

17 Good to see you.

18 I was just looking -- I know this  
19 program was set up to it being,  
20 hopefully, 30% County, 30% State, and the  
21 State contribution is only the 21% right  
22 now. I know it's based on enrollment,  
23 but do you know how many students it  
24 would take to get up to the 30%, how many  
25 students of an increase it would take,



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2 approximately? Sorry, it's a math  
3 question.

4 DR. WILLIAMS: No, no. So, its  
5 proportional. So even if we did increase  
6 the students, the FTE is such that right  
7 now, and I'm looking at the Vice  
8 President of Finance, that it would not  
9 happen, because the FTE is capped at  
10 2,947 per FTE, so it actually would have  
11 to increase in order for that third to  
12 come into play.

13 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: So  
14 that's how we would be able to get the  
15 third from the State? If you increase  
16 the --

17 DR. WILLIAMS: Funding would need to  
18 increase. It is still proportion.

19 MR. IZQUIERDO: The State would need  
20 to increase the amount. Right now, it's  
21 a fixed amount, so the 21% is going to be  
22 21% no matter how many FTEs we have.

23 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: I  
24 thought it was based on enrollment.

25 MR. IZQUIERDO: It is based on

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2 enrollment, but it is based on actual  
3 FTE. What the County gives is based on a  
4 total amount and that gets rolled out  
5 through enrollment. The higher the  
6 enrollment, the lower the percentage from  
7 the County.

8 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: Wow.

9 MR. IZQUIERDO: In terms of the  
10 State, it will stay constant because they  
11 go by FTE.

12 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: And,  
13 FTE, for the record is?

14 MR. IZQUIERDO: Full time equivalent  
15 students.

16 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: Full  
17 time equivalent students. And that is  
18 different from enrollment by how?

19 MR. IZQUIERDO: Enrollment you can  
20 go by different ways: Head count, which  
21 is part time/full time students, it's two  
22 people, one part and one full time, that  
23 is two head counts. FTE will be one and  
24 a half.

25 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: Really?

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2 So, in other words, if you go part time  
3 to Nassau Community College, the State is  
4 not reimbursing anything?

5 MR. IZQUIERDO: They are  
6 proportionate, so if they call part time  
7 halftime, it will be counted at half FTE.

8 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: Okay.  
9 So we would have to increase our full  
10 time enrollment to increase the State  
11 funding.

12 MR. IZQUIERDO: Both. Both increase  
13 the State funding.

14 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: Okay.  
15 All right. Thank you.

16 DR. WILLIAMS: The stenographer  
17 needs your name and title.

18 MR. IZQUIERDO: My name is Jose  
19 Izquierdo, Vice President of Finance.

20 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
21 Legislator Birnbaum?

22 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: Hi. So during  
23 COVID you were able to teach the students  
24 virtually; you had classes remotely?

25 DR. WILLIAMS: Yes.

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2           LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: And now, in  
3 the fall semester, are you going to  
4 continue doing any remote courses?  
5 Because I was just thinking that might be  
6 a way of getting at least some part time  
7 students.

8           DR. WILLIAMS: Absolutely. We taught  
9 less than 10% of the courses at a  
10 face-to-face component in fall and spring  
11 of this past year. Obviously, there were  
12 clinical, labs, those types of  
13 opportunities, but by in large, the  
14 overwhelming majority of courses were  
15 either remote or online.

16           What we have realized, to the point  
17 you are getting at, Legislator, is that,  
18 some of these are really good  
19 opportunities to be taught remote or  
20 online. So we want to not come back as  
21 the previous Nassau Community College,  
22 but we want to use this as an opportunity  
23 to provide the educational platforms that  
24 students need based on the 70+ programs  
25 that we have and the diverse learners

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2 that we have. Everyone doesn't want to  
3 be or need to be face-to-face. We have  
4 invested in technology so that we can  
5 make that happen, and we are really  
6 looking forward to really diversify how  
7 we offer the educational opportunities.

8 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: In terms of  
9 outreach to all the high schools in  
10 Nassau County, do you have liaisons with  
11 each of the schools?

12 DR. WILLIAMS: Yes. I talk with or  
13 communicate with superintendents, Our  
14 Office of Admissions communicates with  
15 principals, guidance counselors. I also  
16 communicate with principals as well. Then  
17 we have counselors who also go out and  
18 they host events at local high schools,  
19 at the college, at community  
20 organizations, different places  
21 throughout the County, yes.

22 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: And in terms  
23 of marketing, have you increased your  
24 marketing efforts; are you doing  
25 something differently now?

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2 DR. WILLIAMS: We actually have, and  
3 yes, we have increased and we are doing  
4 something differently. We put out an RFP  
5 several months ago for Vice President for  
6 Institutional Advancement, it's a very  
7 collaborative effort across the college  
8 with faculty and students.

9 We have a new marketing firm that  
10 just came on a few weeks ago. You may  
11 see some of the College's new marketing  
12 with Nassau Community College as the  
13 smart choice. Really looking to grasp  
14 that opportunity for the students and for  
15 the influencers so they know to what  
16 several of the legislators said, you can  
17 start at Nassau Community College with  
18 high quality academics and student  
19 support at a really affordable rate and  
20 then go wherever it is where you want go,  
21 whether that's directly into the  
22 workforce or transferring to a four year  
23 institution or both. A lot have of our  
24 students have a combination of both.

25 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: Great. I hope

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2 it's all very productive and that we see  
3 the enrollment increase.

4 DR. WILLIAMS: Thank you,  
5 Legislator.

6 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Okay.  
7 Thank you. Anyone else?

8 (Whereupon, no verbal  
9 response.)

10 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: I  
11 think we're good. Thank you, Dr.  
12 Williams.

13 DR. WILLIAMS: Thank you,  
14 Legislators. Thank you.

15 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
16 Legislator Drucker makes a motion to  
17 close the hearing, second by Legislator  
18 Walker. All in favor of closing the  
19 hearing, signify by saying, "Aye".

20 (Whereupon, all members of  
21 the Nassau County Legislative  
22 Body respond in favor with,  
23 "Aye".)

24 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Aye.  
25 Those opposed?

(Whereupon, no verbal  
response.)

PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
Hearing is closed.

We are going to Item 10, which is an  
ordinance to adopt the Nassau County  
budget for the Nassau Community College  
for the fiscal year commencing September  
1, 2021 ending August 31, 2022 and to  
appropriate revenues in the total amount  
of monies to be raised by taxation within  
the County for the purposes of the  
college for such fiscal year.

Moved by Legislator Drucker,  
seconded by Legislator Walker. Any  
further debate or discussion?

(Whereupon, no verbal  
response.)

PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Any  
public comment, which I neglected to do  
during the hearing?

(Whereupon, no verbal  
response.)



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PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
Hearing none. All in favor signify by  
saying, "Aye".

(Whereupon, all members of  
the Nassau County LEgislative  
Body respond in favor with,  
"Aye".)

PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Those  
opposed?

(Whereupon, no verbal  
response.)

PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: It  
carries unanimously.

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PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:

I'm going to call the Consent  
Calendar next.

These are all items that went  
through Committees a couple of weeks ago  
and it's been agreed by the Majority and  
Minority that no further debate or  
discussion is needed at this point with  
respect to these items:

Item 12, Ordinance 52; Item 14,  
Ordinance 54; Item 15, Ordinance 551;  
Item 16, Ordinance 56; Item 17, Ordinance  
57; Item 18, Ordinance 58; Item 19,  
Ordinance 59; Item 20, Ordinance 60; Item  
21, Ordinance 61; Item 22, Ordinance 62;  
Item 25, Resolution 90; Item 27,  
Resolution 92; Item 28, Resolution 93;  
Item 29, Resolution 94; Item 30,  
Resolution 95; Item 31, Resolution 96;  
Item 32, Resolution 97; Item 33,  
Resolution 98; Item 34, Resolution 99;  
Item 35, Resolution 100; Item 36;  
Resolution 101; Item 37, Resolution 102;  
Item 38, Resolution 103; Item 39,

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2 Resolution 104; Item 40, Resolution 105;  
3 Item 41, Resolution 106; Item 42,  
4 Resolution 107; Item 43, Resolution 108;  
5 Item, 44, Resolution 109.

6 Moved by Deputy Presiding Officer  
7 Kopel, Seconded by Minority Leader  
8 Abrahams.

9 Any debate or discussion on these  
10 items?

11 (Whereupon, no verbal  
12 response.)

13 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
14 Hearing none, all in favor signify by  
15 saying, "Aye".

16 (Whereupon, all members of  
17 the Nassau County Legislative  
18 Body respond in favor with,  
19 "Aye".)

20 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Those  
21 opposed?

22 (Whereupon, no verbal  
23 response.)

24 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
25 Carries unanimously.

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PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Going  
back to the start of the Calendar.

Item 1 is a Local Law to amend the  
miscellaneous laws of Nassau County in  
relation to the imposition of a public  
safety fee and driver responsibility fee  
for violations issued pursuant to Title  
86 thereof.

Motion by Legislator Kennedy, second  
by Legislator Schaefer.

That's a motion to open the hearing.

All those in favor of opening the  
hearing, signify by saying, "Aye".

(Whereupon, all members of  
the Nassau County Legislative  
Body respond in favor by  
saying, "Aye".)

PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Those  
Opposed?

(Whereupon, no verbal  
response.)

PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:

Hearing is open. This item is in connection with another item on the Calendar today with respect to the school bus camera program that is about to be rolled out in the county, which has certain statutorily mandated fees associated with violations.

What this item does is it removes the public safety fee and the driver's responsibility fee from being added on top of the statutory fees, so it reduces the total fees that someone would pay for a violation by taking out the public safety fee of \$55 and the driver's responsibility fee of \$45 for tickets for violation in terms of the school bus camera program.

Anyone want to discuss or debate?  
Legislator Birnbaum?

LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: I whole-heartedly support this legislation, just as I was whole-heartedly was not in support of similar legislation several

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2 years ago when the \$55 public safety fee  
3 and \$45 driver responsibility was tacked  
4 onto the red light camera bill, because  
5 as it says, these are fees and I don't  
6 think it is what our goal is, to improve  
7 safety.

8 So I whole-heartedly support no  
9 including an extra \$100 tacked on and  
10 imposing it on a vehicle when the  
11 operator is stopped for illegally passing  
12 a stopped bus.

13 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Okay.  
14 Anyone else?

15 (Whereupon, no verbal  
16 response.)

17 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Motion  
18 by Minority Leader Abrahams to close the  
19 hearing, second by Deputy Presiding  
20 Officer Kopel.

21 All in favor of closing the hearing,  
22 signify by saying, "Aye".

23 (Whereupon, all members of  
24 the Nassau County Legislative  
25 Body respond in favor by

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2 saying, "Aye".)

3 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Those  
4 opposed.

5 (Whereupon, no verbal  
6 response.)

7 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
8 Hearing is closed.

9 No we go to Item 5 which is a Local  
10 Law to amend the miscellaneous laws of  
11 Nassau County in relation to the  
12 imposition of a public safety fee and  
13 driver responsibility fee for violations  
14 issued pursuant to Title 86 thereof.

15 Motion by Legislator Gaylor, second  
16 by Legislator McKevitt.

17 Any further debate or discussion?

18 (Whereupon, no verbal  
19 response.)

20 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: All in  
21 favor, signify by saying, "Aye".

22 (Whereupon, all members of  
23 the Nassau County Legislative  
24 Body respond in favor by  
25 saying, "Aye".)

PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Passes  
unanimously.

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3           PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:   Now we  
4 go back to Item 2 for another hearing.

5           This is a Local Law to amend Title  
6 86 of the Miscellaneous Laws of Nassau  
7 County, as added by Local Law 19-2019 in  
8 relation to changing to 60 days, the  
9 period that a written warning will be  
10 issued in lieu of a Notice of Liability  
11 following commencement of the school bus  
12 photo violation demonstration program.

13           Motion by Legislator Bynoe, second  
14 by Legislator Ford to open the hearing.  
15 All in favor of opening the hearing,  
16 signify by saying, "Aye".

17           (Whereupon, all members of  
18 the Nassau County Legislative  
19 Body respond in favor by  
20 saying, "Aye".)

21           PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:   Those  
22 opposed?

23           (Whereupon, no verbal  
24 response.)  
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PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
Hearing is open.

Anyone want to speak on this one?  
(Whereupon, no verbal  
response.)

PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Well,  
obviously, it is what it says it is.  
It's an extension of the warning period  
following the commencement of the program  
which I believe had said 30 days and now  
we are extending it to 60.

Mr. Rich?

MR. RICH: David Rich, Traffic and  
Parking Violations Agency. Good  
afternoon, Legislators.

This is a proposed amendment to  
extend the warning period to 60 days and  
60 days per school district.

PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Okay.  
The second question that has come up and  
maybe you could clarify, basically, this  
60 day warning period for an individual  
school district commences under this  
amendment; it will commence when this

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2 school district opts into the program,  
3 correct?

4 MR. RICH: That's correct, yes.

5 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Does  
6 anyone else have any questions for Mr.  
7 Rich?

8 Legislator Birnbaum?

9 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: Hi. Is this  
10 program being run exactly like the red  
11 light camera where somebody who receives  
12 a fine will be able to go online and see  
13 a video what happened?

14 MR. RICH: Yes.

15 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: And they can  
16 make an appearance in court if they want  
17 to fight it?

18 MR. RICH: Yes. The first Notice of  
19 Liability will have the information. If  
20 they want to request a hearing, they can  
21 submit a request for a hearing, or they  
22 can pay it, or they can call us if they  
23 have any questions. Same type of  
24 noticing that we have for the red light  
25 camera program.

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2           LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: Are you aware  
3 of any problems with the program that  
4 necessitates this extended period of 60  
5 days; has there been a problem in other  
6 areas where it's been used, do you know?

7           MR. RICH: I'm not aware of any  
8 information pertaining to that question.

9           LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: I'm just  
10 concerned about divided highways, for  
11 cars coming in the opposite direction,  
12 not behind a bus, but from the other  
13 direction and they're unable to see.

14          MR. RICH: If the cameras are unable  
15 to capture the vehicle or plate, a  
16 violation will not be issued.

17          LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: I'm talking  
18 about the driver of the car who didn't  
19 see the school bus, if there's traffic on  
20 the road and going in the opposite  
21 direction.

22          MR. RICH: Probably, initially, an  
23 assumption would be we would issue the  
24 Notice of Liability, but if the person  
25 protested it and requested a hearing,

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2 then the Judicial Hearing Officer would  
3 hear their claim.

4 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: Would we be  
5 able to hear any kind of summary of how  
6 many violations were issued in the 60 day  
7 period that the test, you know, once it  
8 gets initiated; would we just be able to  
9 get some data of any kind?

10 MR. RICH: Yes.

11 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: That would be  
12 great.

13 LEGISLATOR FORD: Good afternoon.  
14 When are we going to start letting the  
15 public know about this and educating them  
16 about the school bus cameras?

17 MR. RICH: I'm going to assume once  
18 we execute the contract, we're gonna meet  
19 with the vendor who is going to assist,  
20 as well as the County's Press Office, in  
21 providing a proper roll out and a Public  
22 Safety notification.

23 LEGISLATOR FORD: Okay. Just to go  
24 back to what Legislator Birnbaum brought  
25 up about divided highway, I mean, I know

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2 under state law, there are certain  
3 medians you are not allowed to -- you  
4 have to stop in both directions, but can  
5 you find out if there is any use of a  
6 median that would not have a car  
7 subjected if they were going in the  
8 opposite direction that they would be  
9 subjected to having a ticket for passing  
10 a stopped school bus?

11 MR. RICH: We do. What we're hoping  
12 to do also is, during the rolling period,  
13 it will also give us the opportunity to  
14 identify where they may be issues where a  
15 violation should not be issued, if it is  
16 too far across or where the operator of  
17 the vehicle did not have the opportunity  
18 to view the school bus.

19 LEGISLATOR FORD: Okay. Then the  
20 school bus cameras will be automatically  
21 in service once the driver stops and  
22 pulls the lever, or whatever it is, where  
23 their doors open and the arm comes out,  
24 correct?

25 MR. RICH: Yes, once the stop arm is

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2 extended and the red lights are flashing,  
3 the camera will be activated.

4 LEGISLATOR FORD: All right. Will  
5 we also have training for the school bus  
6 drivers so they know always when to open  
7 the doors and not open? I know  
8 sometimes, it has been brought up in  
9 previous hearings, like if a school bus  
10 driver may be waiting. Sometimes a  
11 they're at a person's home and the  
12 student may be delayed coming out, so not  
13 to stop the traffic. They may sometimes  
14 have it open, but they might wave people  
15 through, to make sure they don't do  
16 something like that.

17 MR. RICH: Yes. That's all part of  
18 the roll out. The bus drivers will be  
19 trained not to wave people by, but if  
20 they do, they should close the stop arm  
21 so that way at least a violation is not  
22 captured.

23 LEGISLATOR FORD: Okay. Thank you  
24 very much.

25 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Not much of a

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2 question, perhaps, just a note of caution  
3 to inject into this. Those of us who  
4 have been around a while may remember the  
5 program where we had speed cameras near  
6 the schools. The roll out was disastrous  
7 and the program failed because of public  
8 outrage, so I think we need to take extra  
9 care in terms of the training of the  
10 school bus drivers as well as the public  
11 education and implementation of the  
12 program to make sure that people don't  
13 get tickets unfairly.

14 MR. RICH: Understood.

15 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Anyone  
16 else?

17 Legislator Ferretti and Legislator  
18 Walker.

19 LEGISLATOR FERRETTI: Good  
20 afternoon, Mr. Rich.

21 MR. RICH: Good afternoon.

22 LEGISLATOR FERRETTI: The tickets  
23 that will eventually result from a  
24 violations of this school bus camera,  
25 will they be subject to the same boot and



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2 tow regulations as the outstanding red  
3 light camera tickets?

4 MR. RICH: As I understand it, they  
5 could be included in the Boot and Tow  
6 Program, yes.

7 LEGISLATOR FERRETTI: You mean they  
8 will be? What's the plan?

9 MR. RICH: Right now, they would be.  
10 There is nothing in the ordinance that  
11 prevents it. The are included because  
12 it's considered a Photo Enforcement  
13 Violation or a Notice of Liability.

14 LEGISLATOR FERRETTI: What's the  
15 status of the Boot and Tow Program right  
16 now; is it suspended right now or?

17 MR. RICH: It is still currently  
18 suspended.

19 LEGISLATOR FERRETTI: Okay. Is  
20 there gonna be any kind of warning to  
21 violators that these ticket will be  
22 subject to boot and tow if they are not  
23 paid timely?

24 MR. RICH: The way we do it in our  
25 own letters that TPVA sends out, we put

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2 the warnings, so the additional includes  
3 boot and tow, includes possibly a default  
4 judgement. Then what happens is the case  
5 is assigned to a collection vendor.  
6 Again, it is more voluntary compliance  
7 where in those warnings notice, it warns  
8 of boot and tow, default judgement,  
9 license suspension, registration  
10 suspension. After that, if still no  
11 response, then they are eligible for boot  
12 and tow.

13 LEGISLATOR FERRETTI: Is the Traffic  
14 Court open right now?

15 MR. RICH: Yes, it is.

16 LEGISLATOR FERRETTI: When did it  
17 reopen?

18 MR. RICH: October 5th.

19 LEGISLATOR FERRETTI: Okay. I just  
20 want to make sure the residents have the  
21 proper notice that they're subject to  
22 boot and tow, especially in light of the  
23 fact that the court was closed for a  
24 period of time and some people obviously  
25 -- and, you know, this penalty for the

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2 bus cameras is significantly higher than  
3 the red light camera. Obviously, its  
4 going to be, especially in these times,  
5 difficult to pay right away, so it is a  
6 concern I had with regard to the boot and  
7 tow.

8 MR. RICH: We offer the folks  
9 payment plans. As well, as I understand,  
10 the boot and tow vendor now also offers a  
11 payment arrangement as well. They will  
12 have an opportunity for a payment  
13 arrangement prior to being boot and towed  
14 as well.

15 LEGISLATOR FERRETTI: Is there a  
16 plan to restart the Boot and Tow Program;  
17 is there a timeline?

18 MR. RICH: Not currently, no.

19 LEGISLATOR FERRETTI: Okay. Would  
20 you be able to give us some advanced  
21 notice as to when ever that is the case  
22 when it is going to be restarted?

23 MR. RICH: Yes.

24 LEGISLATOR FERRETTI: Advanced in,  
25 like, 30 days advanced?

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2 MR. RICH: Yes. I mean, ideally,  
3 once we bring our collection vendors  
4 online, they will get first attempt and  
5 then after that the Boot and Tow Program  
6 would resume.

7 LEGISLATOR FERRETTI: Okay. Thank  
8 you.

9 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Okay.  
10 We have several legislators in line.

11 Legislator Walker, Legislator  
12 Saloges, and then Legislator Gaylor.

13 LEGISLATOR WALKER: Thank you. I  
14 have to say that this is something that I  
15 look forward to once we work everything  
16 out and our the school districts,  
17 hopefully, will all come on board.

18 I have received many, many phone  
19 calls from,my residents of people blowing  
20 the stopped busses. It is a very, very  
21 big concern to them. Often times there's  
22 multiple children getting on a bus at a  
23 bus stop and crossing the street in front  
24 of the bus and then all of a sudden, a  
25 car is flying by or whatever. Thank God

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2 there hasn't been serious injuries in my  
3 legislative district, but it doesn't say  
4 that it couldn't happen.

5 I would hope that once school  
6 districts do come on board that the  
7 school districts provide the information  
8 to their families and certainly the PTA.  
9 Hopefully, I would be pushing for that in  
10 my district, the PTA gets involved. It  
11 isn't just these issues with the buses, I  
12 have -- especially in front of my high  
13 school and middle school -- parents  
14 double and triple parked and kids are  
15 cutting through. It's a very scarey  
16 situation. Every year there is constant  
17 calls about it. Obviously, they want us,  
18 as Legislators, to fix everything; we  
19 can't always fix everything, but I hope  
20 this is one step moving forward that will  
21 help to keep our children safe. That  
22 really is a safety issue and that's what  
23 we need to focus on, so thank you.

24 MR. RICH: Agreed.

25 LEGISLATOR SOLAGES: Thank you.

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2 Thank you, Presiding Officer.

3 Quick question: Is there technology  
4 that blocks out the face of the minor,  
5 any minors to protect their privacy?  
6 That's all, just a question.

7 MR. RICH: I'm not aware of that,  
8 but I could check with the Vendor. I'm  
9 not sure, but I will check with them.

10 LEGISLATOR SOLAGES: Thank you.

11 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
12 Legislator Gaylor?

13 LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: Thank you  
14 Presiding Officer. Good afternoon, Mr.  
15 Rich.

16 MR. RICH: Good afternoon.

17 LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: The violation --  
18 first of all, is this truly a violation  
19 of the VTL that someone would be charged  
20 with for passing a school bus caught on  
21 camera?

22 MR. RICH: Yes, it is; it is similar  
23 to the red light camera.

24 LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: Are they issuing  
25 a VTL 1172 on this case or --

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2 MR. RICH: It is cited, but it will  
3 be a Notice of Liability.

4 LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: So an 1172  
5 carries a five point violation, we all  
6 know you need 11 points before you lose  
7 your license. Are there any points under  
8 this program?

9 MR. RICH: No, there're not.

10 LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: Okay. Very  
11 good.

12 This is a fine for a first offense  
13 of \$250; does the fines escalate for  
14 second and third offenses?

15 MR. RICH: Yes, they do.

16 LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: Okay. And the  
17 probationary period or this 60 day period  
18 was increased from 30 to 60 days, is my  
19 understanding, to give additional  
20 notifications to county residents or any  
21 resident from any jurisdiction would get  
22 a ticker, correct? You live out of  
23 state, you can get a ticket.

24 MR. RICH: Yes, as long as you  
25 commit the violation.

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2           LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: Okay. So it  
3 applies to everybody.

4           Do you know when Suffolk County  
5 rolled this out when they had their  
6 little probationary period, which I think  
7 was 30 days, how many violations they  
8 issued in that month?

9           MR. RICH: I saw the press  
10 conference. I want to say it was above  
11 20,000. I forgot the actual number.

12           LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: 20,000  
13 violations for passing school buses?

14           MR. RICH: Warnings.

15           LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: Warnings. So  
16 during the first 60 days, you're doing to  
17 issue warnings. What if you get multiple  
18 warnings during this 60 day, or do you  
19 just get one and the second -- the second  
20 violation during the warning period, is  
21 that a ticket or is that another warning.

22           MR. RICH: No. It would still be --  
23 anything that is issued or captured  
24 within that 60 day period will still be a  
25 warning, and it would be for each event



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2 captured.

3 LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: So we could  
4 reasonable expect like numbers, 10-20,000  
5 violations a month for school bus  
6 violations, correct.

7 MR. RICH: In the warnings, I would  
8 say anything is possible, yes.

9 LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: Okay. Then you  
10 see a lower number once this is fully  
11 implemented -- each month.

12 MR. RICH: What we see in other  
13 jurisdictions where they've done it  
14 there's basically a 3% recidivist rate;  
15 so less than 3% get a second violation.

16 LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: Okay. All  
17 right. Is your agency staffed to handle  
18 this increased workload, either court  
19 reporters or judges or administrative  
20 hearing officers or even just support  
21 personnel, are they equipped to handle  
22 the expected influx of tickets that the  
23 County is now going to process?

24 MR. RICH: We will be. I spoke with  
25 DCE Fox about it. We will make sure that

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2 we will be.

3 LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: It's all good  
4 then. You spoke to DCE Fox. Okay. I  
5 got it. Thank you, Mr. Rich.

6 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Anyone  
7 else?

8 (Whereupon, no verbal  
9 response.)

10 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: No.  
11 Okay. Thank you.

12 MR. RICH: Thank you.

13 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Any  
14 public comment? Come on up, Pearl.

15 MS. JACOBS: I applaud this  
16 Resolution. I think it is past due.  
17 Everyday, I see people run right past the  
18 buses with the stop signs out. In fact,  
19 last week I was stopped for a stopped bus  
20 and the person in back of me, the idiot,  
21 was honking me, okay. So I think -- what  
22 is the fine, \$250? You should make it  
23 \$1,000.

24 The school districts, they do have  
25 the option to opt out of the program?

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2 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: They  
3 would have to opt in.

4 MS. JACOBS: Oh, so they have to opt  
5 in. So if they don't opt in, it is not  
6 enforced in their school district,  
7 correct?

8 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
9 Correct.

10 MS. JACOBS: Well, okay. I will  
11 make sure Uniondale *will* opt in. Thank  
12 you very much.

13 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Any  
14 other public comments?

15 (Whereupon, no verbal  
16 response.)

17 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
18 Hearing none, motion by Legislator Bynoe  
19 to close the hearing, second by  
20 Legislator Ford.

21 All in favor of closing the hearing,  
22 signify by saying, "Aye".

23 (Whereupon, all members of  
24 the Nassau County Legislative  
25 Body respond in favor by

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2 saying, "Aye".)

3 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Those  
4 opposed?

5 (Whereupon, no verbal  
6 response.)

7 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: The  
8 hearing is closed.

9 Now we go to Item #6, which is the  
10 vote on this proposed Local Law to amend  
11 Title 86 of the Miscellaneous Laws of  
12 Nassau County as added by Local Law  
13 19-2019 in relation to changing to 60  
14 days the period that a written warning  
15 will be issued in lieu of a Notice of  
16 Liability following commencement of the  
17 School Bus Photo Violation Demonstration  
18 Program.

19 Motion by Legislator Ford, second by  
20 Legislator Bynoe.

21 We need to amend this. The  
22 amendment will clarify that the 60 day  
23 warning period will apply to specific  
24 school district after that school  
25 district opts in.

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2 Motion to amend by Legislator  
3 Ferretti, seconded by Legislator Ford.

4 Any discussion on the amendment?

5 (Whereupon, no verbal  
6 response.)

7 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
8 Hearing none, all in favor of the  
9 amendment, signify by saying, "Aye".

10 (Whereupon, all members of  
11 the Nassau County Legislative  
12 Body respond in favor by  
13 saying, "Aye".)

14 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Those  
15 opposed?

16 (Whereupon, no verbal  
17 response.)

18 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
19 Carries unanimously.

20 Now as to the item as amended. Any  
21 further debate or discussion?

22 (Whereupon, no verbal  
23 response.)

24 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
25 Hearing none. All in favor, signify by

saying, "Aye".

(Whereupon, all members of  
the Nassau County Legislative  
Body respond in favor by  
saying, "Aye".)

PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Those  
opposed?

(Whereupon, no verbal  
response.)

PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
Carries unanimously.

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PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:

Now we are going to the Capital Plan Items.

Starting with Item #3, which is an ordinance to adopt the Capital Plan for the County of Nassau for the first year of the four-year capital plan to commence on January 1, 2021, pursuant to the provisions of Section 310 of the County Government Law of Nassau County.

Moved by Legislator Gaylor, seconded by Legislator Solages.

That's a motion to open the hearing, all in favor of opening the hearing, signify by saying, "Aye".

(Whereupon, all members of the Nassau County Legislative Body respond in favor by saying, "Aye".)

PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Those opposed?

(Whereupon, no verbal response.)

PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:

Hearing is now open.

There is Ken Arnold.

COMMISSIONER ARNOLD: Good

afternoon, Presiding Officer. So Item 8 and Item 9 are associated with the Capital Budget and Four Year Capital Plan for 2021 and also 2020 which was just enacted on. The budget includes a total of \$242 million in General Capital and \$120 million in SSW Capital for a total of \$362 million. Thirty two percent or \$116 million is from non-County sources.

The 2021 plan includes 41 new projects. These projects, some are a roll over from 2020. These new projects are all further enhance traffic and safety projects, most notable being our Traffic Accident Prioritization Study, or as it's referred to in the Capital Plan as the Traffic Master Plan. It also includes various roads, repaving, streetscapes and park facility projects that's been added to address concerns



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2 brought to the Administration.

3 Building condition continue to be a  
4 focus and, as such, projects the police  
5 academy, Five Towns Community  
6 Center, Kellogg House and as mentioned  
7 earlier, the expansion of the College  
8 Hospitality Center.

9 Following, some new additions, like  
10 EV charging stations, the body cameras,  
11 which is part of the the 19th Amendment,  
12 a new project that was proposed, and also  
13 a Police Reform Act enhancement for  
14 public areas project is also included.

15 I'm available to answer any  
16 questions.

17 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Good afternoon,  
18 Ken.

19 On that Five Towns Community Center,  
20 do you know off hand what that item is  
21 and what we are doing there, what you're  
22 planning.

23 COMMISSIONER ARNOLD: The Five Town  
24 Community Center, currently we have a  
25 project where we are working with GOSAR

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2 for an emergency generator and also the  
3 HVAC system for the building.

4 Additionally, the roof needs to be  
5 done and we also need to look at the  
6 building and see what other additions the  
7 building needs for it's life services to  
8 keep an adequate structure for the  
9 current use.

10 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Okay. I got it.

11 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Any  
12 other questions?

13 Legislator Drucker?

14 LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: Thank you very  
15 much, Presiding Officer.

16 I totally support this Bill, the  
17 budget, but looking through the back up  
18 that is presented to us, we noticed that  
19 there are a number of projects for road  
20 repair, Ken, in all of our districts.  
21 One of the things I noticed that's in the  
22 budget, is the half million dollars to  
23 remove and replace curbs and sidewalks.  
24 I know I speak to you about repairing  
25 sidewalks a lot, and as a result, I'm

1  
2 compelled to renew my appeal to the  
3 majority to assign my Sidewalk Repair  
4 Bill to a committee so it can be  
5 advanced. It was filed a long time ago  
6 and without that Bill, people in Nassau  
7 County are being unfairly forced to  
8 repair sidewalks on county roads that  
9 have absolutely no connection to their  
10 individual properties. Their back of  
11 their house may be on a county road and  
12 they may never use that sidewalk, but  
13 they are required to repair it.

14 The result is that these sidewalks  
15 all over the county are not being fixed  
16 and they remain in a dangerous and  
17 defective condition. And really is  
18 something that helps. Every tax payer on  
19 Long Island has a house on a county road  
20 and I would like to see that Bill  
21 advanced.

22 Again, thank you, Presiding Officer,  
23 for allowing me the opportunity to say  
24 that.

25 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Okay.

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2 Thank you. Anyone else?

3 (Whereupon, no verbal  
4 response.)

5 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
6 Hearing none, is there any public comment  
7 on this hearing?

8 (Whereupon, no verbal  
9 response.)

10 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Again,  
11 hearing none.

12 Motion by Legislator Birnbaum,  
13 seconded by Legislator Lafazan to close  
14 the hearing. All in favor of closing the  
15 hearing, signify by saying, "Aye".

16 (Whereupon, all members of  
17 the Nassau County Legislative  
18 Body respond in favor by  
19 saying, "Aye".)

20 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Those  
21 opposed?

22 (Whereupon, no verbal  
23 response.)

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25 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:

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2           Hearing is closed.

3           Now we move onto the Ordinances and  
4           Resolutions to raise the Capital Plan.

5           Item #8, Ordinance 126, to adopt the  
6           Capital Budget for the County of Nassau  
7           for the first first year of the four year  
8           plan to commence on January 1, 2021,  
9           pursuant to the provisions of Section 310  
10          of the County Government Law of Nassau  
11          County.

12          Motion by Legislator Gaylor,  
13          seconded by Legislator Deriggi-Whitton to  
14          adopt that.

15          There were amendments which will  
16          have to be in the form of an amendment in  
17          the nature of a substitution which will  
18          provide as follows:

19               Increases to funding for various  
20               projects including various facilities;  
21               Electric vehicle charging stations;  
22               County building roof renovations;  
23               Polaris Field upgrade;  
24               Park furnishings;  
25               County pool improvements;.

Traffic Signal improvements; and  
A NICE bus grant;

Also adds projects for the Joysetta  
and and Julius Pearse African American  
Museum, as well as police reform-related  
projects; and

Fire Service Academy Master Plan.

We need a motion to amend by  
Legislator DeRiggi-Whitton, seconded by  
Legislator Gaylor.

Any debate and discussion on the  
amendment?

(Whereupon, no verbal  
response.)

PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
Hearing none, all in favor of the  
amendment, signify by saying, "Aye".

(Whereupon, all members of  
the Nassau County Legislative  
Body respond in favor by  
saying, "Aye".)

PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Those  
opposed?

(Whereupon, no verbal

response.)

PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Passes  
unanimously.

Now as to the item as amended, any  
further debate or discussion?

(Whereupon, no verbal  
response.)

PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Any  
public comment?

(Whereupon, no verbal  
response.)

PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: All in  
favor, signify by saying, "Aye".

(Whereupon, all members of  
the Nassau County Legislative  
Body respond in favor by  
saying, "Aye".)

PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Those  
opposed?

(Whereupon, no verbal  
response.)

PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: The  
Ordinance 126 passes unanimously as  
amended.

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2 We have to do the same thing with  
3 respect to Resolution 168.

4 Resolution to adopt four year  
5 Capital Plan for the County of Nassau to  
6 commence on January 2021, pursuant to the  
7 provisions of Section 310 of the County  
8 Government Law of Nassau County.

9 Moved by Legislator DeRiggi-  
10 Whitton, seconded by Legislator Gaylor.

11 There are amendments that have to be  
12 made. The amendment is made by  
13 Legislator Gaylor, seconded by Legislator  
14 DeRiggi-Whitton.

15 Any debate or discussion on the  
16 amendment?

17 (Whereupon, no response.)

18 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: All in  
19 favor of the amendment, signify by  
20 saying, "Aye".

21 (Whereupon, all members of  
22 the Nassau County Legislative  
23 Body respond in favor by  
24 saying, "Aye".)

25 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Those



1  
2 opposed?

3 (Whereupon, no verbal  
4 response.)

5 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Item  
6 is amended.

7 As to the item amended, all in,  
8 signify by saying, "Aye".

9 (Whereupon, all members of  
10 the Nassau County Legislative  
11 Body respond in favor by  
12 saying, "Aye".)

13 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Those  
14 opposed?

15 (Whereupon, no verbal  
16 response.)

17 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
18 Resolution 168 passes unanimously.

19 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Then  
20 we go to resolution of Ordinance 51,  
21 which is item 11 on the calendar.

22 A Bond Ordinance providing for a  
23 Capital Expenditure to finance the  
24 capital projects identified herein within  
25 the County Nassau and authorizing

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2 \$284,976,622 of bonds of the County of  
3 Nassau to finance such expenditure  
4 pursuant to the Local Finance Law of New  
5 York.

6 Moved by Legislator Kopel, seconded  
7 by Minority Leader Abrahams. Any further  
8 discussion on this item?

9 (Whereupon, no verbal  
10 response.)

11 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
12 Hearing none, all in favor, signify by  
13 saying, "Aye".

14 (Whereupon, all members of  
15 the Nassau County Legislative  
16 Body respond in favor by  
17 saying, "Aye".)

18 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Those  
19 opposed?

20 (Whereupon, no verbal  
21 response.)

22 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
23 Carries unanimously.

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2 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Move  
3 to Item 23, Ordinance 63. An Ordinance  
4 supplemental to the annual appropriation  
5 ordinance in connection with the Office  
6 of Management and Budget.

7 That is moved by Legislator Ford,  
8 seconded by Legislator Bynoe, which puts  
9 that before us. This is the American  
10 Rescue Plan item. I know there are some  
11 questions, do we have anyone from the  
12 Administration?

13 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: Good  
14 afternoon, Presiding Officer, Minority  
15 Leader. Do you mind if I make a few very  
16 brief remarks?

17 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: No.

18 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:  
19 Okay. Just to present it.

20 I'm Evelyn Tsimis, Deputy County  
21 Executive for Economic Development. It  
22 is my pleasure to be back with you today  
23 following last week's public hearing. We  
24 appreciated the public hearing and the  
25 opportunity to present the County

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2 Executive's Economic Recovery and  
3 Community Reinvestment Package, which  
4 would direct \$62.9 million dollars of ARP  
5 funding to much needed assistance for  
6 small businesses, non-profits, to develop  
7 our workforce, revitalize our downtowns  
8 and support our residents including our  
9 seniors, veterans, youth and more. We  
10 thank you for the discussion and the  
11 suggestions.

12 As we stated, we consider this an  
13 innovative process given the significant  
14 funds still available in the first  
15 payment still to come from Washington.

16 Last week our team outlined in  
17 detail, the Administration's approach,  
18 both in terms of the dollars we are  
19 allocating, as well as the processes we  
20 are putting in place for distribution of  
21 this important funding.

22 To review, the categories of funding  
23 in the \$62.9 million are as follows:

24 Just under \$18 million for health  
25 and human services. These funds will be

1  
2 directed to the County's non-profit  
3 partners who are positioned to assist our  
4 residents, many of whom are still  
5 struggling with much needed support. We  
6 also provide an opportunity for new  
7 partners to apply. The funding is much  
8 needed and the non-profit partners are  
9 poised and ready to get to work;

10 We also outlined a \$32.5 million  
11 Economic Development Program. This  
12 includes \$20 million for small business  
13 grants and loans. Building upon our  
14 successful Restaurant Recovery Grant and  
15 Boost Nassau Loan Programs;

16 Also included in our proposal is to  
17 provide technical assistance to  
18 businesses, ensure outreach to our MWBE,  
19 boost local tourism, and infuse funds to  
20 important workforce development  
21 initiatives to promote apprenticeship  
22 programs for skilled workers and  
23 partnerships with local colleges for  
24 training and upscaling our workforce;

25 We also outlined a proposal for a \$9

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2 million investment in sewer and water  
3 infrastructure including a \$3 million  
4 Septic Replacement Program and funds for  
5 a Multi-year Ground Water Conservation  
6 Program;

7 Finally, we've included funds to  
8 support our school districts and  
9 additional resources for consulting  
10 assistance essential to our managing of  
11 this funding.

12 We will continue to build out our  
13 administrative processes through a  
14 universal portal for applications and  
15 tracking of funds as well as our Boost  
16 Nassau Resource Center and other  
17 procedures to ensure the funds are  
18 distributed fairly and following the  
19 evolving federal guidance.

20 We look forward to your support in  
21 promoting our Boost Nassau online portal,  
22 a one stop shop for figuring out  
23 eligibility and applying for Federal,  
24 State, and County aide programs; those  
25 already available and those coming online

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2 as we build out our programs. I  
3 appreciate some of the suggestions at  
4 last weeks hearing that were made on many  
5 of these topics.

6 We also expect to take the resource  
7 program on the road, as our Office of  
8 Minority Affairs and Asian Affairs and  
9 Hispanic Affairs have done in the past,  
10 to our county libraries and other places  
11 where the communities are, understanding  
12 the concern that not everyone can get to  
13 Eisenhower Park and do so conveniently.

14 I think we all agree it has been a  
15 long road to recovery, but Nassau County  
16 is poised to come back from the COVID-19  
17 pandemic stronger than ever. We urge you  
18 to take this next step in directing  
19 important Federal Assistance, by  
20 approving the Administration's plan.

21 Thank you, We're happy to take some  
22 questions.

23 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Thank  
24 you, Evelyn.

25 Legislator Kopel?

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LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Thank you.

As you recall, Ms. Tsimis, last meeting during Committees, we had quite a few questions.

DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:  
Yes.

LEGISLATOR KOPEL: You, the collective you, promised some responses. I'm not aware of any responses. I can go through them, if you'd like.

DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:  
Sure. We can go through them. I don't know if any effort was made to provide them.

LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Not so far as I know.

DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: I can give off a couple that I think came up in my presentation on Economic Development, if you'd like me to do that.

LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Sure. Why don't you go over that first.

DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: I can start with that.



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2 I think there was some questions  
3 raised by Legislators Rhoads and Ferretti  
4 and perhaps others, about the number of  
5 grants we had distributed through our  
6 Restaurant Recovery Grant Program. The  
7 total number was 289, I think the  
8 question was it 250 or 275, that number  
9 has been changing. The final number was  
10 287, I believe. That includes all of the  
11 funding we allocated from the CDBG-CV  
12 funds, so it was just it was just over \$2  
13 million. The grant actually had been for  
14 a little under 2.2, but some went for  
15 administrative cost to National  
16 Development Counsel that ran the program  
17 for us, which turns out to be 1 in 5 of  
18 the full service restaurants in Nassau  
19 County. So we are pretty pleased with  
20 that number. Do we think we can do more?  
21 Absolutely. Are we excited about the  
22 Small Business Grant Program? Yes. Just  
23 to clarify so everyone understands, that  
24 program is open right now, you can get an  
25 application. We are funding it with the

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2 \$800,000 that was remaining CDBG-CV  
3 account. As of right now, people can  
4 download those applications. I think we  
5 have about \$300,000 worth of grants in  
6 the pipeline already.

7 I'd also, while I'm at it, like to  
8 address the concerns raised by Mr. Ian  
9 (sic) Sayles earlier today who spoke  
10 about the delays he felt he faced at the  
11 beginning of the Restaurant Grant  
12 Program. He applied in November, I  
13 believe, and his grant was in his hands  
14 by February. It is was late November,  
15 because we did this right after  
16 Thanksgiving; it was almost December. We  
17 don't think three months is terrible.  
18 Obviously, when we kicked it off, there  
19 were actually some serious concerns with  
20 the Zoom Grant portal. The vendor  
21 subsequently switched to a different  
22 portal, it's called the SM Apply and it's  
23 part of Survey Monkey. I think they were  
24 surprised by the volume of what came in  
25 those first few days and weeks, but

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2 within a few weeks, we adjusted that. I  
3 think Mr. Sayles was probably caught up  
4 in being one of the first applicants and  
5 then it took his grant a little longer  
6 than some of the others. Once we got the  
7 process moving, they moved much quicker.  
8 I just want to state that. Should we go  
9 forward with the same vendor with the \$10  
10 million allocation, if you're kind enough  
11 to approve that today, we will look to  
12 have things continue to move quickly, as  
13 they have been lately.

14 Other questions I think I was asked  
15 specifically about are the benefits of  
16 loan versus grants. I think we just want  
17 to state that, once again, we agree, we'd  
18 love to do more in grants. There's still  
19 money that can be allocated by the  
20 Legislature with the County Executive  
21 over the next few weeks, and hopefully  
22 the Economic Advisory Council will  
23 continue to discuss the business  
24 assistance.

25 In terms of the loans, we have heard

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2 from a number of businesses that, for  
3 their long term survival and doing a lot  
4 better, they could use larger amounts  
5 than we would be able to do in the form  
6 of a grant. The loan fund allows you to  
7 do up to \$200,000 per grantee based on  
8 their plans, how hard hit they were and  
9 what their plans are for the future. We  
10 do think the balance of grants and loans  
11 is one that we'd like to continue to  
12 make. Again, some of it is short term  
13 and survival, and the rest of is sort of  
14 showing what they can do if we invest in  
15 them more over time.

16 I'm trying to think what other  
17 questions were directed my way. I'm  
18 happy to take them on.

19 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: All right. My  
20 turn?

21 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:  
22 Yup. Absolutely. Those were just the  
23 two that popped in my head.

24 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: That's great and  
25 I know those were definitely asked.

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2 Well, let's start out with one of  
3 the big ones. The \$375,100,000  
4 intension; is that still there? When we  
5 last spoke, you were going to get  
6 guidance as to the permissibility of it  
7 and if you intended go ahead; do you have  
8 update on that?

9 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: I  
10 do. As indicated last week, the  
11 Administration had very productive  
12 discussions with Senate Majority Leader  
13 Schumer's Office, as well as with the US  
14 Treasury. The Senator strongly supports  
15 the concept of direct cash payments and  
16 we know that direct cash payments are  
17 clearly allowed. I don't want there to be  
18 worry about that.

19 As you know, we are looking to  
20 maximize the scope of the eligible  
21 universe of recipients. The  
22 Administration expects to file a specific  
23 plan on that soon, and we will include  
24 with that an opinion of counsel to  
25 justify the expense, as you had

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2 requested.

3 I don't have anything more to say on  
4 that today, but that is where we are --

5 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Okay. So if you  
6 expect that that would be allowable, then  
7 we can go further on that eventually.

8 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:  
9 Cash payments are clearly allowed.

10 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: What about, one  
11 of the questions I had asked at the time  
12 was about the the allowability of using  
13 funds to, perhaps, pay off, finally, some  
14 of the claims for business owners that  
15 have been hard hit, since that would  
16 serve a dual purpose, it would certainly  
17 strengthen a lot of the businesses that  
18 desperately need the money now, as well  
19 as defray some of the continuing interest  
20 costs and lower the amount owed by the  
21 County for these items. Is that  
22 allowable; did you find that out?

23 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:  
24 Yeah. I believe that Conal Denion from  
25 the County Attorney's Office has been

1  
2 looking into that item. He is on by  
3 phone. My understanding was we couldn't  
4 do something that would be considered tax  
5 relief.

6 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: It's not tax  
7 relief at all.

8 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:  
9 Right. You're talking about something  
10 else, so I don't know if there's a  
11 response yet. I think Conal is available  
12 by phone.

13 MR. DENION: I am available to  
14 comment. It's Conal Denion from the  
15 County Attorney's Office, Evelyn.

16 Legislator, the question is still  
17 under review in the County Attorney's  
18 Office and I will remind the County  
19 Attorney of your interest and that you  
20 asked the question again, but it is being  
21 looked at the County Attorney's.

22 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Okay. Thank you,  
23 Conal.

24 Now, within spending categories, one  
25 of the questions was whether the

1  
2 Legislature would have input as to  
3 specific grants. In other words, just to  
4 give you an example, one of the examples  
5 that I specifically mentioned last time  
6 was within the youth programs. I  
7 mentioned a group that has been very  
8 active here in my district and, actually,  
9 indeed beyond my district. They're not  
10 one of the established programs.

11 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:

12 Right.

13 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Are those other  
14 people going to be considered, and do we  
15 here in the Legislature get a say in  
16 that?

17 Going further, other such questions  
18 within the same general category: School  
19 districts, I know it is intended to give  
20 certain school districts. Do we have a  
21 say as to which school districts and the  
22 distribution? What about private  
23 schools, what about charter schools, what  
24 about the religious schools?

25 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: On



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2 the question of the process we are going  
3 to follow and the Legislative  
4 involvement, our plan is process the  
5 grants as quickly as we possibly can. We  
6 are in the process of developing  
7 guidelines for the eligible activities  
8 and you wouldn't have to be a current  
9 county vendor in order to be eligible.  
10 So it what would be posted on the  
11 County's Boost Nassau portal, it would be  
12 an application, it would lay out the  
13 criteria and then it would be treated as  
14 a grant through that portal.

15 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Who decides?

16 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: Our  
17 consulting team and the County's team are  
18 putting together the guidelines and the  
19 criteria right now. That hasn't been  
20 finalized.

21 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Is it then your  
22 response that the Legislature would not  
23 have a role?

24 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: No.  
25 My response is that we are finalizing the

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2 guidelines and the criterial for the  
3 grant portal and the application process.  
4 We're not looking to upset the apple cart  
5 of the items that are already approved by  
6 the Legislature, versus items that may be  
7 grants and don't require that. So I'm  
8 not an expert in that realm, I just know  
9 that we are developing that procedure  
10 right now. We will be looking for  
11 guidance. I think, if you recall, maybe  
12 this was before I was here, but there had  
13 been examples of the County receiving  
14 emergency-related funding, such as the  
15 CARES ACT and during Sandy. From what I  
16 understand, in those prior, almost  
17 similar, emergencies situations, we were  
18 able to move funds quickly through an  
19 application process. We are looking to  
20 learn from those previous and hopefully  
21 do better and move things even quicker  
22 this time around, because we did hear  
23 some concerns about how long that took.

24 Similarly with the our Septic  
25 Program. As you know, there is an

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2 existing program that is already  
3 available for State funding for septic  
4 replacement. Once the Legislature,  
5 hopefully, approves the new funding from  
6 ARP, we would use that as a model. The  
7 guidelines are already in place, the  
8 criteria for what you have to do in order  
9 to secure the funding from ARP would be  
10 available and our residents would be able  
11 to apply.

12 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Right.

13 Another one of the questions --

14 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: On  
15 last --

16 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Go ahead. Sorry.

17 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: One  
18 last point is we also, obviously, have  
19 the Legislators participating in the  
20 Economic Advisory Council. Legislators  
21 McKevitt and DeRiggi-Whitton, and we  
22 could possibly, once we have this scoped  
23 out a little bit more in terms of the  
24 guidelines, we'd be happy to share it and  
25 have those discussions.

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2           LEGISLATOR KOPEL:   The other  
3           question I had was whether some of these  
4           funds could not be used to displace some  
5           County borrowing in terms of, for  
6           instance, various capital projects in the  
7           allowable categories. We spend an awful  
8           lot of money every year, perhaps. This,  
9           again, would be a financial benefit to  
10          the County. The County is drowning in  
11          debt.

12          DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: So  
13          think --

14          LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Perhaps we could  
15          avoid some.

16          DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: I  
17          apologize, Legislator.

18          LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Go on, please.

19          DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:  
20          Yeah, I think there are two points on  
21          that. One is we get see the specifics of  
22          the infrastructure package coming down  
23          from Washington. Also, the second piece  
24          would be that we also have additional  
25          funds here. I'm not precluding that, I

1  
2 just think it's not in this particular  
3 \$62.9 million phase. There will be  
4 future phases with addition items and  
5 additional support. If you have specifics  
6 you'd like us to consider, we are  
7 extremely interested in receiving those.

8 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: All right. I will  
9 just conclude with a comment. That is  
10 with respect to these particular items,  
11 there are a lot of unanswered questions  
12 and I don't particularly think we are  
13 ready to vote, but, again I'm speaking  
14 for myself. That's just my opinion. I'd  
15 like to get some answers before go ahead  
16 and vote, because at this point to some  
17 extent, it would be kind of a blank  
18 check.

19 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
20 Legislator Ferretti?

21 LEGISLATOR FERRETTI: Good  
22 afternoon, Ms. Tsimis, how are you?

23 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: I'm  
24 fine, Legislator. How are you?

25 LEGISLATOR FERRETTI: I'm doing

1  
2 well, thank you.

3 The \$20 million for the Boost Nassau  
4 Program that would be \$10 million equally  
5 for the loan and for the grants, right?

6 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:

7 Yup.

8 LEGISLATOR FERRETTI: Would eligible  
9 businesses be able to apply for both?

10 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:

11 Yes.

12 LEGISLATOR FERRETTI: So you can get  
13 a grant and still apply for the loan?

14 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: You  
15 you also apply -- our Boost Nassau Team  
16 is helping them apply for the State  
17 grant, which is a significant program as  
18 well, \$800 million. Regina Williams from  
19 the Boost Nassau team is here and we've  
20 been really making an effort when we  
21 speak to the residents and business  
22 owners to encourage them to apply to the  
23 County's program, which, again, we  
24 haven't pushed out as much as we would  
25 like, because we're holding, waiting for

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2 the \$10 million to be allocated. We have  
3 some money in the account, but we are  
4 very anxious to get started and work with  
5 all of you, once we have the allocation  
6 of the \$10 million, but we are  
7 encouraging businesses to do both -- all  
8 three, in theory.

9 LEGISLATOR FERRETTI: Thank you.

10 Now, the 2.5 for the schools, when  
11 we spoke last Monday, I had some  
12 questions about the eligibility for that,  
13 which school districts would be eligible,  
14 what the requirements would be, how that  
15 was going to be distributed. Do you have  
16 any further clarification on that issue?

17 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: I  
18 do not and I don't know if anyone else  
19 from the Administration has an answer on  
20 school districts. That's one piece I did  
21 not work on, I apologize. I will see if  
22 I can get you something before we wrap  
23 today. You are looking for whether the  
24 charter schools are eligible --

25 LEGISLATOR FERRETTI: That, also

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2 even the public school systems; how is it  
3 going to be divided? What are the  
4 eligibility requirements? Similar to  
5 what Deputy Presiding Officer Kopel was  
6 saying. Just asking for 2.5 however --

7 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:

8 Someone can correct me here, Andy or  
9 someone, but I believe there is separate  
10 funding directly going to the school  
11 districts and this pot is to provide them  
12 with assistance; is that correct?

13 MR. PERSICH: Good afternoon, Andy  
14 Persich, Office of Management and Budget.

15 I believe the intent and purpose is  
16 to help some of the school districts that  
17 had broadband capability issues with  
18 at-home school learning. We haven't  
19 developed a plan as far as who the  
20 recipients will be and what the need will  
21 be, but I would imagine it would be based  
22 on need, because school districts did  
23 receive an exorbitant amount of money in  
24 addition to relief from the Federal  
25 Government, so I think we are just trying



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2 to expand based on the guidelines that we  
3 have, that certain districts need a  
4 little bit more boost or broadband boost,  
5 for lack of a better thing, to get them  
6 up and running for occasions that just  
7 occurred.

8 LEGISLATOR FERRETTI: I understand  
9 your response and I appreciate some  
10 direction in terms of where you're  
11 looking to go with that funding. I just  
12 don't really know exactly what that  
13 means. I don't know which districts had  
14 broadband issues. I guess some further  
15 clarification, if you can get that. Are  
16 you aware of any districts that had  
17 broadband issues?

18 MR. PERSICH: Legislator, me  
19 personally, no; but I did hear that some  
20 of the districts did have some issues  
21 with getting online capabilities for the  
22 student learnings. Whether they were  
23 charter schools or public schools, I  
24 don't know the answer to that, but I  
25 think there were some issues.

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2 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: I  
3 will add, again, this is a marker. One  
4 that we think is ready to fund and ready  
5 to go. We also understand that as  
6 legislators, you may have more visibility  
7 into some of those things than we do. We  
8 would urge you to get in touch our office  
9 and we'll happily talk to you as we try  
10 to sort out the details of making this  
11 funding available to the school districts  
12 that need it most.

13 The guidelines, as I mentioned, for  
14 some of these programs are still in the  
15 works. But we feel confident that those  
16 together. Frankly, the discussion at  
17 these meetings has been helpful to us.

18 LEGISLATOR FERRETTI: Yeah, I'm just  
19 trying to wrap my head around it.

20 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:  
21 It's a new process for everyone.

22 LEGISLATOR FERRETTI: Yep. I'm sure  
23 every public school district had to make  
24 some changes to the way they spent their  
25 money over the year. I know the

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2 districts in my legislative district,  
3 they bought little chrome books for every  
4 student. They were a hundred and  
5 something dollars a student times however  
6 many students. Who ultimately pays for  
7 that? It's the tax payers, right? You  
8 get the school budget and it goes up for  
9 that amount. Every district really had  
10 unexpected expenses last year and I'm  
11 sure each district would have a list of  
12 things they weren't predicting they had  
13 to pay for and I just don't know how you  
14 quantify how you're going to be  
15 distributing this money. Just would like  
16 a little bit more detail.

17 With regard to a question that  
18 Deputy Presiding Officer Kopel asked you  
19 of the \$100 million, the 375 payments, I  
20 heard your response and I appreciate  
21 that. But last Monday when we had our  
22 hearing, we really had pretty targeted  
23 questions and it was my understanding was  
24 that the Administration was going to meet  
25 with the Treasury Department, not just to

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2 discuss whether direct cash payments can  
3 be made to residents, I think that's a  
4 foregone conclusion last Monday. I think  
5 that the question that we took away, or  
6 at least I took away, that you were going  
7 to be presenting to the Treasury  
8 Department is whether the County  
9 Executive's proposal, which specifically  
10 was going to sent direct \$375 cash  
11 payments to 300,000 Nassau County  
12 households that were eligible for STAR  
13 and have STAR; was that question posed to  
14 the Treasury Department in your meeting  
15 late last week?

16 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: I  
17 understand there were discussions  
18 concerning both the direct cash payment  
19 itself, as well as the universe of  
20 eligible recipients. I know we are still  
21 looking into that. I don't have anything  
22 more to add on that point.

23 LEGISLATOR FERRETTI: Well, that's  
24 tough for me to swallow, because that's  
25 exactly what we spent hours discussing

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2 last Monday and that's exactly what what  
3 you indicated that the Administration was  
4 going to discuss with the Treasury  
5 Department late last week, so. That  
6 wasn't brought up at the meeting? That  
7 wasn't --

8 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: I  
9 don't have anything more to say. We are  
10 going to go through the same thing we  
11 went through last week on this. For  
12 better or for worse, the Administration's  
13 position is that we are working on it and  
14 we plan to file plan with the Legislature  
15 soon to carry out what the County  
16 Executive has announced and we are still  
17 in discussions with the US Treasury  
18 Department and internal. We intend to  
19 provide an opinion of counsel at the  
20 time. We intend to get you a plan as  
21 soon as we can, but I don't really have  
22 anything more to say today.

23 LEGISLATOR FERRETTI: You don't see  
24 how one is related to the other; in other  
25 words, that \$100 million allocation, you

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2 want us to vote on \$63 million right now,  
3 but you're contemplating \$100 million for  
4 this 375. Our vote on the \$63 million  
5 could change depending on how the \$100  
6 million goes. I guess, you kind of  
7 indicated you were gonna have answers for  
8 us today after speaking to the Treasury  
9 Department late last week. That doesn't  
10 sound like you do.

11 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: I  
12 don't have anything more to say. We will  
13 file a plan.

14 We do think you can move on the  
15 \$62.9 million of necessary relief for  
16 businesses for our partner organizations  
17 who are very interested. Some came and  
18 spoke to you last week. Anyone who has  
19 been on our Economic Advisory Counsel, we  
20 have youth organizations, folks who help  
21 folks with mental health issues. There's  
22 really no reason to hold back this  
23 proposal due to the continued work that  
24 is going into the other one and getting  
25 it right.

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2 Obviously, our team feels strongly  
3 that these programs are fundable, that we  
4 are going to develop finalizing some of  
5 the guidelines to push the money out  
6 fairly and transparently. We've moved  
7 pretty quickly to get a universal portal  
8 up and we're adding to it everyday with  
9 new opportunities. We just encourage you  
10 to move this piece and we will continue  
11 to talk about the other one.

12 LEGISLATOR FERRETTI: Back in May,  
13 when plan was proposed for the direct  
14 cash payments for \$375, the County  
15 Executive stated she was planning on also  
16 using the sales tax revenue that came in  
17 at excess of what was predicted, in the  
18 event that that was necessary to get  
19 these direct cash payments out. Is that  
20 still the plan of the Administration in  
21 the event that the original plan of using  
22 the Federal money for that purpose is not  
23 permissible?

24 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: I  
25 have no comment on that. I honestly

1  
2 don't know.

3 LEGISLATOR FERRETTI: Does anyone  
4 from the Administration know?

5 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: I  
6 think it's probably best if we stick with  
7 that we will file a plan soon and we  
8 don't have any more comments on this item  
9 at today's meeting.

10 LEGISLATOR FERRETTI: Okay. Thank  
11 you.

12 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:  
13 Thank you.

14 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
15 Legislator Schaefer?

16 LEGISLATOR SCHAEFER: Good  
17 afternoon. How are you?

18 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:  
19 Good afternoon.

20 Okay. I have a question about the  
21 Small Business Grant Program.

22 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:  
23 Sure.

24 LEGISLATOR SCHAEFER: I see it is  
25 \$10,000 per eligible business.



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DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:

Yes, uh-hmm.

LEGISLATOR SCHAEFER: Is that max  
that they can get or is that what they  
will get regardless of --

DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:

That's what they will get. We initially  
decided -- the restaurant grant we had  
two levels of funding. It was if you had  
10 or under employees, you got \$5,000 and  
50 or under received \$10,000. We just  
decided for simplicity many of the  
smaller business -- actually, the  
restaurants, we know they could have used  
it. We may, if we end up with enough  
funding, go back to some of those folks,  
but for right now, we are going with the  
\$10,000. We think it is very helpful and  
it just simplifies things as well.

LEGISLATOR SCHAEFER: Okay. Is that  
open for applications now?

DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: It  
is. There's just what's left in the  
funds from the funds from the CDBG CARES

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2 Act special allocation through Kevin  
3 Crean's office. That could run out  
4 within the next month or so if we don't  
5 have additional funding from the  
6 Legislature.

7 LEGISLATOR SCHAEFER: Okay.

8 Then I wanted to ask you about the  
9 Tourism Program. The \$500,000 is going  
10 to support a marketing promotional  
11 campaign for Nassau County. Can you tell  
12 me how much do we spent on marketing  
13 promotional campaigning now?

14 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: The  
15 County right now allocates -- the Parks  
16 Department actually oversees this  
17 contract, even though I consider tourism  
18 economic development, I actually don't  
19 live and breathe that contract -- but I  
20 believe it's \$1 million of hotel/motel  
21 taxes that's generated and goes to  
22 Discover Long Island. I think that is  
23 about a third of their budget. We've  
24 felt that a half million -- even though  
25 we got a lot of proposals and ideas from

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2           Stu Richner (phonetic), from *The Herald*  
3           papers, some of the members of the  
4           Economic Advisory Council, lot of folks  
5           talking about how to sort of boost  
6           Nassau's visitor profile, including  
7           something they announced last week up in  
8           Port Washington, Legislator  
9           DeRiggi-Whitton was up there talking  
10          about the Downtown Deals Promotion -- but  
11          we thought half, again, the budget, was a  
12          good amount to do this, even though we  
13          know New York City is spending 30 times  
14          that on their tourism, that given our  
15          investment of a million, that half a  
16          million could be well spent in a good  
17          amount of time. We would focus on our  
18          downtown attractions, our downtowns, our  
19          beaches, very Nassau County specific. As  
20          opposed to the larger Discover Long  
21          Island effort, which is discover Long  
22          Island and more regional, this would be  
23          just Nassau.

24                 LEGISLATOR SCHAEFER: Okay. So this  
25                 \$500,000 would be in addition to the

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2 million.

3 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: Yes.

4 LEGISLATOR SCHAEFER: And that's a  
5 million a year, you say, that we  
6 typically spend?

7 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:  
8 Yes.

9 LEGISLATOR SCHAEFER: Okay. I think  
10 this was it. Thank you.

11 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
12 Legislator Ford, then Legislator Rhoads.

13 LEGISLATOR FORD: Good afternoon.

14 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:  
15 Good afternoon.

16 LEGISLATOR FORD: In regard to the  
17 small businesses, do we have a list of  
18 what type of business would be eligible  
19 for any type of --

20 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:  
21 We're looking primarily at the retail  
22 sector. Again, back to the notion of  
23 downtowns and boosting our downtowns.  
24 The application is currently up on the  
25 Boost Nassau portal. I don't know that I

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2 brought it with me, but we're looking at,  
3 sort of, if you think of whoever is on  
4 that main street. It will be the retail,  
5 service to the end user, purchaser.  
6 We're not looking to fund professional  
7 services necessarily; although, we know  
8 many of them are located in our  
9 downtowns, we just felt that we really  
10 needed to target this, again, \$10 million  
11 for the number of businesses we have in  
12 Nassau. At some later date, perhaps we  
13 can add a side funding and expand it to  
14 professional services, for instance.

15 LEGISLATOR FORD: So hair salons  
16 would still be able --

17 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:  
18 Hair salons would be eligible, yes.

19 LEGISLATOR FORD: Mr. Sayles, I  
20 think his name was --

21 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: Mr.  
22 Sayles, yes.

23 LEGISLATOR FORD: He had indicated  
24 also, I guess some of his providers, like  
25 the bread guy --

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2 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: The  
3 providers, exactly.

4 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: The  
5 milk guy. What about them? This would  
6 be, basically, the funding would only go  
7 to Nassau based businesses, correct?

8 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:  
9 That's correct.

10 LEGISLATOR FORD: So if he gets his  
11 bread from somebody in Queens, that bread  
12 business would not necessarily be  
13 eligible.

14 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:  
15 That's right. I'm not sure about  
16 wholesalers, either. That would --  
17 again, if there was more funding, maybe  
18 we could look at something like that.  
19 Right now, it's just for the retailer;  
20 the people selling.

21 LEGISLATOR FORD: What about the  
22 warehouse type of --

23 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: We  
24 just got an application for one of those  
25 actually. The team that's managing this

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2 for us asked the question. We put it on  
3 hold for the moment while we sort that  
4 out. We will have to see how many  
5 employees they have. If they're larger,  
6 they wouldn't be eligible. If they're  
7 smaller -- again, having your feedback is  
8 helpful. Right now, we started with the  
9 retailers, but we could look at that.

10 LEGISLATOR FORD: What about, I know  
11 one of the issues that we had in Sandy  
12 for the businesses was that they had to  
13 have been in business, by certain time in  
14 order to eligible for any type of Sandy  
15 funding. We had some restaurants that  
16 opened up in March, April or June of  
17 2012, and then the storm hit in October,  
18 so they lost everything. The were  
19 completely demolished, and because they  
20 had to be in business for a year prior to  
21 Sandy, I guess with tax records and  
22 things like that, they were not eligible.  
23 They couldn't get any help whatsoever.  
24 Are we going to limit ourselves? Because  
25 I think of some businesses that probably

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2 started right before the pandemic hit and  
3 if they are hanging on by that thread,  
4 would they be eligible for something like  
5 this so they can stay in business?

6 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:

7 Yeah. We have them eligible the have to  
8 be in operation after March 1, 2020 in an  
9 attempt to capture those that were a  
10 concern. I'm going to check on that. I  
11 feel like with the restaurants we went  
12 back a little further. I just need to  
13 check.

14 LEGISLATOR FORD: So they had to be  
15 in business prior to March 1st.

16 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:

17 Yeah, I'm not sure. No. It's after. As  
18 long as their after March 1st. We didn't  
19 have the same cutoff as we did with the  
20 restaurant. Again, the eligibility  
21 changed because the ARP eligibility is  
22 not exactly the same as the CARES ACT/HUD  
23 Grant. Those were very targeted. You  
24 had to save at least one job. And there  
25 other things about what the criteria were



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2 in the CARES, so we have been in the  
3 process of making sure. Actually, the  
4 applications that's up now checks the box  
5 on both. We thought as soon as we get  
6 the ARP funds, we could move quickly on  
7 new applications using the new funds. We  
8 wanted to make sure they were eligible.  
9 That before or after March 1st date I  
10 have to double check.

11 LEGISLATOR FORD: Perfect. And then  
12 with the Veteran's Agencies, a lot of  
13 them have small little service areas.  
14 Like they might have a bar set up or a  
15 kitchen and then they have hall, or  
16 whatever. I know that in speaking with  
17 some of my Veteran's Agencies that have  
18 these establishments that it was a little  
19 cumbersome: Asking for different  
20 information, they had to have so many  
21 employees. These are like small  
22 businesses. They're mom and pop, and the  
23 are part of Main Street. They may not  
24 necessarily be on Main Street, but they  
25 are part of the fabric of the community.

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2 They do provide a lot of services.

3 Is there any way to relax some of  
4 those rules to make it easier. Some of  
5 them just maybe need \$5,000 or \$8,000.  
6 They're not looking for large sums of  
7 money. Just something that maybe can  
8 help, because they're membership. Think  
9 about the people that help keep their VFW  
10 or American Legion open. Those people  
11 could have been impacted by the pandemic.  
12 A lot of times they make that extra money  
13 by people renting out the halls; of  
14 course, none of that happened. I would  
15 ask if there's any way that we could,  
16 sort of, relax the rules and just make it  
17 a tad bit easier for them so that you're  
18 not asking for social security number of  
19 people or how many employees. I mean,  
20 usually it's just a guy. The guy who's  
21 head of it. He cleans the kitchen, he  
22 does everything.

23 You know, I just think in  
24 consideration of the services they do  
25 provide to so many of our Veteran's

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2 anyway, that we take a look at this and  
3 say, "you know what? Let's be a little  
4 bit kinder to them". It is a good group.

5 And then also, I guess with the  
6 Veteran's is this also -- I know a woman  
7 -- I for get the name of it -- she  
8 provides a service where she does  
9 outreach to the Veteran's, reflexology,  
10 whatever. Would she then, with that type  
11 of business, which she directs directly  
12 Veteran's, would that be another business  
13 that may be able to be eligible under the  
14 Veterans?

15 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:

16 Yeah. I think we would encourage her to  
17 apply. As long as they're either a  
18 non-profit, a 501-C3 or a small business,  
19 which ever way she would fall in,  
20 hopefully, we could assist her.

21 On the other point, we have tried to  
22 scale back the documentation from the  
23 restaurant to now, but also have the  
24 benefit of having the Boost Nassau  
25 Center. I don't want to minimize how

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2 much a real person can help when you're  
3 struggling with this. We clearly have  
4 businesses, the minute they heard -- I  
5 think when we announced the Restaurant  
6 Grant Program, there were businesses out  
7 there that thought they will just give  
8 their name and a check was gonna come.  
9 Unfortunately, we have federal  
10 restrictions and rules we have to follow.  
11 They were one thing for CDBG-CV and  
12 they're slightly different under ARP.  
13 The County has a responsibility to make  
14 sure, in this case under ARP, that the  
15 business has suffered an economic loss  
16 due to the pandemic. If we were to give  
17 checks out without somehow documenting  
18 that loss, then we would be the blame and  
19 you would all be upset. We have to have  
20 some paperwork.

21 LEGISLATOR FORD: Yes. I like the  
22 fact that you said you would probably do  
23 district outreach, getting to the  
24 districts. Maybe we can coordinate it  
25 with Chambers and do a tutorial. I know

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2 whenever we do the Senior Programs where  
3 people will figure out how to do their  
4 senior exemptions, whatever, it's always  
5 been very beneficial and has helped  
6 people where they can go right in and get  
7 everything done right then and there. I  
8 think that is a great program and I will  
9 be happy to work with you in my district  
10 when you bring it there.

11 My last question. With the loans,  
12 the difference between the loans and the  
13 grants are that the grants are a limited  
14 amount of money that a business will be  
15 getting if they're eligible?

16 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:

17 Yes.

18 LEGISLATOR FORD: But the loans,  
19 you're actually then provide an  
20 opportunity for long range. Like said,  
21 somebody may need \$100,000 to be able to  
22 tide them over to 2023 or something like  
23 that. Once the loan is paid back, so they  
24 borrowed \$100,000 and I'm hoping the  
25 interest will be very low.

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DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:

They're low. They will be very, very  
flow.

LEGISLATOR FORD: They're low.

Okay. When the proceeds are paid back,  
does that money go back to the Federal  
Government, or does it stay with us?

DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:

That is an excellent question, and as of  
last Friday I was waiting for an answer  
based on the Treasury. I don't believe  
it goes back to the Treasury. I think it  
would probably stay in fund that we  
created. I believe it can stay longer  
than the 2026, but we're waiting for  
confirmation of that. Obviously, we want  
it to be revolving, not just come back  
in. The consulting we've been working  
with on this, National Development  
Council, they believe it can be a  
revolving fund that goes out, but I'm  
waiting for confirmation of that from  
Haggarty Consulting.

LEGISLATOR FORD: So then this can

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2 maybe be something we can the over the  
3 years, we can recycle.

4 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: It  
5 would be wonderful.

6 LEGISLATOR FORD: Constantly recycle  
7 back out to businesses on a small  
8 business type of thing.

9 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:  
10 Exactly.

11 LEGISLATOR FORD: And I know that  
12 with the \$375 when it was proposed, I  
13 read in the paper that the belief was  
14 that, say you gave it to the STAR  
15 homeowners, that that would be subject to  
16 Federal Tax, so the people would only  
17 realize \$250. The grant money that we  
18 would be giving to businesses and  
19 whatever, that is not subject to taxes at  
20 all?

21 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: I  
22 don't know of Conal knows the answer to  
23 that. I always refer tax questions to  
24 Conal.

25 LEGISLATOR FORD: Okay. I do ask

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2 for a response to that, because that  
3 would be something -- It would be unfair  
4 to the businesses.

5 MR. DENION: I don't know if.

6 LEGISLATOR FORD: Oh, I didn't  
7 realized he --

8 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:  
9 He's on.

10 LEGISLATOR FORD: Sorry, Conal.

11 MR. DENION: Yeah, I don't know if  
12 the County is able to answer tax  
13 questions that apply to individuals.

14 LEGISLATOR FORD: So we need to find  
15 out, right?

16 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:  
17 Yeah.

18 LEGISLATOR FORD: Okay. Thank you.

19 MR. DENION: Again, I don't know if  
20 this is something the County to provide  
21 an opinion on, whether an individual is  
22 going to be taxed. You can also ask the  
23 County Attorney that question. I don't  
24 know if that's something that is within  
25 our ability to determine.



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2           LEGISLATOR FORD: But I think it is  
3           important issue that we need to, because  
4           if businesses think they're going to  
5           receive \$20,000, but in the long run it's  
6           only \$15,000, paying that tax on the  
7           money may end up being another hardship  
8           on them. I'm hoping that maybe we could  
9           try to get that clarified and make it so  
10          that -- maybe if we go to Senator Schumer  
11          to confirm and have them do whatever they  
12          need to do to ensure the fact that this  
13          money would not be taxed. No taxes, a  
14          tax-free grant. That's what my request  
15          would be. Thank you.

16                 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:  
17          Thank you.

18                 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
19          Legislator Rhoads.

20                 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Thank you,  
21          Presiding Officer.

22                 Deputy County Executive Tsimis, I  
23          know you've been asked about this before  
24          and I know it is an uncomfortable topic  
25          for the Administration to be discussion,

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2 but I do feel compelled to press for  
3 answer. We know, based on what we've  
4 been told by the Administration, that  
5 there seems to be universal agreement  
6 that direct cash payments can be made to  
7 residents using the ARP Funds, correct?

8 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:

9 Correct.

10 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: And we know the  
11 Administration's plan was to provide  
12 roughly 300,000 residents with \$375  
13 payments based upon their eligibility for  
14 STAR; that was the plan, right?

15 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:

16 Correct.

17 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Based upon the  
18 fact that you're telling us that the  
19 Administration has to get back with new  
20 plan, can we infer from that that we are  
21 not able to use STAR as a basis for  
22 making those payments as promised?

23 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: I

24 don't think that is what I'm saying. I'm  
25 saying that we are going to file a plan.

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2 It wouldn't be a new one, because we  
3 haven't filed one before. The specific  
4 details that will be in the County  
5 Executive's plan will be before you in  
6 short order. I really don't have  
7 anything more to say today.

8 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Well, you didn't  
9 file a plan, but the County Executive  
10 went out and had a press conference and  
11 that's the plan that she announced. It's  
12 not something that was filed with the  
13 Legislature, it was filed with the  
14 public.

15 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:  
16 Okay.

17 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Are we to assume  
18 the plan that will be filed with  
19 Legislature is that roughly 300,000 will  
20 receive \$375 base upon STAR?

21 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: I  
22 don't have anything more to say on this  
23 today. I'm sorry, Legislator. I just  
24 don't.

25 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Well, the

1  
2 conversation did take place with the  
3 Treasury Department late last week, as  
4 was indicated --

5 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: And  
6 I reported to you that the Senator  
7 supports the cash payments strongly, the  
8 US Treasury has indicated that we can  
9 make them, and that we're looking to  
10 maximize the scope of the eligible  
11 universe of recipients, and we will have  
12 a plan to you as soon as we can.

13 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Oh, is  
14 it the Administration's plan to make it  
15 available to more than just STAR  
16 recipients?

17 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: I  
18 don't have any further comment on the  
19 plan at all.

20 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Were present on  
21 the call?

22 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: I  
23 was not.

24 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Who was actually  
25 on that call with the Treasury

1  
2 Department?

3 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: I  
4 actually don't know.

5 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Was Conal Denion  
6 on the call with the Treasury Department?

7 MR. DENION: This is Conal. I was  
8 on the call and I will defer any  
9 questions to the Administration to my  
10 client on the nature of the call.

11 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: We are your  
12 client, Conal.

13 MR. DENION: Again, the  
14 Administration, it is it up to the County  
15 Executive to advise whether or not she is  
16 going to answer questions about that with  
17 counsel on the call. I realize that the  
18 County Attorney's Office works for the  
19 entire county, but as you know, they are  
20 questions where counsel represents the  
21 County, but also the County Executive --  
22 first reports to the County Executive, so  
23 I'm going to defer those questions to the  
24 Administration.

25 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: I only have two

1  
2 questions, Mr. Denion. Question one is,  
3 was the question asked whether or not  
4 direct payments can be made using STAR as  
5 the criteria for eligibility? Because  
6 based on basis the hearing last week,  
7 that was really the only relevant  
8 question. So was the question asked?

9 MR. DENION: Again, I will defer the  
10 question to the Administration, questions  
11 regarding the call to the Administration.

12 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: So as our  
13 counsel, which you are, you're refusing  
14 to answer that question?

15 MR. DENION: No. I'm not refusing  
16 to answer. I have to take it up to the  
17 County Attorney who I report to as well.  
18 Again, between the Administration and the  
19 County Attorney, I can discuss that  
20 question and we can get you an answer to  
21 whether the Administration -- I believe  
22 that they have spoken to the issue and I  
23 will defer to them on whether they want  
24 Counsel to address any particular  
25 questions or whether they would like to

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2 do that themselves.

3 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Who else was on  
4 the call, Mr. Denion. You may not feel  
5 comfortable answering that question, but  
6 I'm curious if any of the other  
7 participants on the call might be able to  
8 answer it; who else was on the call?

9 MR. DENION: Again, I'm going to  
10 defer those questions to the  
11 Administration. I don't know if Katy is  
12 there in the room, but I think it's a  
13 question between the Legislature and the  
14 Administration and I will defer to the  
15 administration on how they would like to  
16 address that question.

17 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:  
18 I'll speak for the Administration and  
19 just reiterate what we've said. I've  
20 said it already. I don't think it is  
21 going change. We have nothing more to  
22 say on this topic and we, very  
23 respectfully, and thankfully appreciate  
24 if we can try to look at the \$62.9  
25 million item before you and continue

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2 discussions on the other item on a  
3 separate track. That is where we are,  
4 Legislator, we can go around it, but that  
5 is where we are.

6 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: The problem is,  
7 as Legislator Ferretti pointed out, is  
8 that the conversation is not just about  
9 the \$62.9 million, because how we spend  
10 the \$62.9 million, or whether it can be  
11 more than that, depends upon the answers  
12 to what the acceptable use is of the \$100  
13 million. If that \$100 million is on the  
14 table, then we can talk about maybe  
15 supplementing what's in the \$62.9  
16 million, shifting it around, using it for  
17 other priorities that are related to  
18 pandemic expenses. To say that we are  
19 only going to talk about the \$62.9 that's  
20 before us, and by the way, we don't have  
21 a lot of information about that \$62.9  
22 million, other than that you want to  
23 spend \$62.9 million, there is an  
24 interrelationship between the two. We are  
25 talking about a part of a pool of \$192



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2 million that's available to be spent  
3 that's already in the County's coffers.  
4 I know the Administration would like to  
5 handle it in the piece mail fashion  
6 because it might be more convenient for  
7 them, but we also, as legislators, have  
8 to look at the broader scope of the  
9 entirety of the 192 to make sure that  
10 where we're spending it is spending in a  
11 way that best reflects the priorities  
12 that are best gonna help businesses and  
13 residents in the pandemic.

14 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: I  
15 understand your position. We do think  
16 this meeting and the vote is on the \$62.9  
17 million. The other item is not before  
18 you today. We did not bring it forward  
19 to you and we would appreciate your vote  
20 on this item. We do think that you have  
21 some flexibility given the significant  
22 amount of funding coming in still this  
23 year and next year to fund the \$62.9  
24 million, address the other proposal  
25 separately, and still come up with great

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2 ideas of other things that we should  
3 include that we might have missed in our  
4 \$62.9 assistance for small businesses  
5 that need it for youth services  
6 organizations that are poised and ready  
7 to help our young people and all the rest  
8 of it, Legislator. It is a matter of  
9 approach, I understand you disagree with  
10 the Administration's approach, but here  
11 we are and we respectfully request a vote  
12 on the item before you.

13 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: I  
14 appreciate that position from the  
15 Administration and it's clear that we're  
16 not going to receive an answer. I do  
17 find it rather instructive, however, that  
18 the one question that we asked at the  
19 hearing, which we were promised an answer  
20 to based upon the conversation that the  
21 Administration was having with the  
22 Treasury Department, you are refusing to  
23 provide us with that answer. It is  
24 rather telling. I suspect it is answer  
25 that you didn't want to get and it's an

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2 answer that probably will prevent you  
3 from being able to use STAR as the basis  
4 for making those direct cash payments,  
5 which leads to a bevy of other questions.  
6 Whether those questions are answered  
7 today, or whether those questions are  
8 answered a few weeks down the road when  
9 the Administration finally presents its  
10 plan, if residents are not receiving the  
11 \$375 check based upon STAR that the  
12 Administration promised in a very public  
13 way intentionally, residents need to know  
14 that. It is an issue of transparency.  
15 It's an issue of fairness. They need to  
16 know it. I have no choice but to accept  
17 your answer. At the point, I'll move on,  
18 but we really deserve to have that  
19 information.

20 Now, with respect to the Boost  
21 Nassau Local Business Program. Do we  
22 actually have a definitive answer --  
23 actually, I'll switch to the Boost Nassau  
24 Small Business Loan Program since I  
25 believe them to be interrelated -- do we

1  
2 really have a definitive answer since  
3 you're asking us to approve \$10 million  
4 dollars for this loan program, whether  
5 that \$10 million dollars is going to have  
6 to go back to the Federal Government in  
7 2026 when we are required to have  
8 exhausted the funds?

9 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: We  
10 believe --

11 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: You believe it,  
12 but did you get an answer from the  
13 Treasury Department?

14 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:  
15 Yes, we are waiting for confirmation from  
16 Haggarty Consulting that is looking at it  
17 right now.

18 Look, either way, ARP allows for  
19 loans. I don't believe they intended for  
20 the money to go back. I think the loan  
21 programs that have been set up in the  
22 past -- Boost Nassau, which we funded  
23 through New York Forward, gets paid back  
24 into a fund, but it doesn't go back to  
25 the Federal Government. I just don't

1  
2 want to speak out of turn, because the  
3 Haggarty Consulting team wanted to double  
4 check with the Treasury and review the  
5 guidelines and details and they said it  
6 might even need a comment in advance of  
7 the July date. The consultant that had  
8 managed the prior loan fund for us  
9 believes it can be a long term loan  
10 program that sort of grows Nassau. I'm  
11 hoping they're right and that's where we  
12 are on it. Either way, you have quite a  
13 few years to loan and get the money back.  
14 I'm hopeful that we will be able to do  
15 something along those lines.

16 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: But the concern  
17 that I have is that when we had the  
18 hearing last Monday, the idea was for us  
19 to ask questions and for us to be able to  
20 get answers in advance of us having to  
21 vote on something. Right now, the  
22 Administration is asking us to vote to  
23 allocate \$10 million towards the loan  
24 program when we don't have a definitive  
25 answer from the Treasury Department that

1  
2 we're not going to end up forfeiting that  
3 \$10 million because it actually wasn't  
4 dispersed.

5 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: A  
6 loan program is absolutely allowable  
7 under ARP guidelines. I know it is. And  
8 the specific guidelines of our program  
9 need to be written in a way to ensure we  
10 get the maximum use of those loan dollars  
11 for the most businesses in Nassau County.  
12 We have not crafted the loan in the final  
13 detail and had it scrubbed by our  
14 consultants yet, but I can assure you  
15 that we will advance a loan program. It  
16 will be consistent with our guidelines.  
17 I think you will be pleased with the  
18 effort, just like the ones that we  
19 advanced through the CARES ACT funding  
20 and that many businesses took advantage  
21 of. I can get you a report on that as  
22 well.

23 We are using this money very wisely  
24 and prudently. Some of it is a little  
25 bit in the weeds; details with the

1  
2 Treasury guidance, it has been evolving.  
3 We are very anxious to do everything  
4 exactly right. I understand your concern,  
5 Legislator.

6 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Well, it is not  
7 really a discussion that's in the weeds,  
8 it's a discussion that's relevant. We  
9 are limiting the amount of money that we  
10 are providing as a grant program so that  
11 we can create a \$10 million loan program,  
12 which we think we are able to do, and we  
13 think we might not have to turn the money  
14 back in 2026.

15 The question that I have -- which I  
16 don't know of Mr. Persich is still in the  
17 room, and I sort of said this at the  
18 hearing -- for me, the context of this is  
19 what happened with the CARES ACT money.  
20 We were told there was a \$385 million  
21 deficit. The Administration asked us to  
22 approve the use of CARES ACT funds.  
23 Ninety five percent of the CARES ACT  
24 funds that we got that covers salaries  
25 and benefit that help close a budget gap

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2 and in the next month, we are announcing  
3 there's a \$78 million surplus. So  
4 there's \$78 million that could have gone  
5 to businesses, could have gone to  
6 residents, could have gone to a variety  
7 of other pandemic-related uses that is  
8 sitting in a County bank account right  
9 now, as opposed to having provided that  
10 relief. So when we are analyzing this,  
11 forgive me, I know the administration  
12 wants to fairly and transparently  
13 distribute this money, but transparency  
14 hasn't really been a strong suit here.  
15 I'm looking at how you're spending this  
16 money in the context of wanting to have  
17 solid answers, before I actually give up  
18 the only voice I have on this, which is  
19 my vote, on the plan.

20 We want to provide this money. We  
21 want to get it out to public, but we need  
22 you to help us by providing us the  
23 information that we need in order to be  
24 able to do that.

25 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: I



1  
2 understand. I believe we can reallocate  
3 the funds.

4 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: So  
5 my question for Mr. Persich is, look,  
6 there's a question with respect to this  
7 loan program and whether or not we are  
8 ultimately going to have to turn back the  
9 \$10 million if it's not exhausted. We  
10 don't have a definitive answer on that.  
11 In the short term why isn't it a better  
12 plan to simply take the \$10,million  
13 allocation, allocate it to the grant  
14 program so that there's \$20 million in  
15 grants and use part of the \$78 million  
16 that's sitting in surplus that should  
17 have gone to businesses and residents in  
18 the first place, and use that to fund the  
19 loan program and provide twice the  
20 impact?

21 MR. PERSICH: I'll defer on whether  
22 we can use surplus money to create a  
23 revolving loan program under local  
24 finance. I think Conal would probably be  
25 better to answer that. I dont think we

1  
2 can do that. I think with the ARP  
3 funding, because it's federal money, it  
4 doesn't restrict us, so it's segregated.  
5 It's not taxpayer money. Remember, money  
6 we have in the General and Operating  
7 Funds come from tax collection. It gets  
8 a little dicey with that.

9 That said, I think the ARP funding  
10 -- the plan with the loan program is to  
11 create a revolving loan program that will  
12 be --

13 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: I understand the  
14 concept and I agree with the concept. The  
15 question is should we be using money that  
16 we can hand directly to businesses and  
17 say, you know what, we're gonna take \$10  
18 million and put that in our pockets and  
19 we're gonna dole it out as part of a loan  
20 program where, ultimately, the \$10  
21 million in principle will still be County  
22 dollars, as opposed to being used to  
23 assist businesses and residents in direct  
24 payments.

25 MR. PERSICH: I completely

1  
2 understand what you're saying. I think  
3 it gets into a little bit more of a gray  
4 area. The buckets, as I term them as,  
5 what you can do with certain buckets of  
6 money, this bucket of money I think meets  
7 the criteria that it's eligible for a  
8 loan program. Now, can it go endless? I  
9 think that's one of the questions out  
10 there. I think this is the policy of the  
11 Administration. They put forth a plan  
12 saying we're gonna give \$10 million in  
13 grants and we're gonna do \$10 million in  
14 a loan program. It's like with every  
15 other budget here, I mean, it's dynamic.  
16 This is all new and guidance changes.  
17 CARES guidance changed day-to-day.  
18 That's how they think, it's one of those  
19 things that it's a policy decision, of  
20 course. I think we set a plan in front of  
21 you to make a decision that we want to do  
22 this loan program.

23 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: I know that's  
24 the Administration's decision. All to  
25 often it seems the Administration's

1  
2 approach is, well, we think we can do  
3 this and if we can't, then we'll deal  
4 with the consequences later. I don't  
5 want a situation where in 2026 we're  
6 looking back at this and saying, oh,  
7 gosh. I guess we shouldn't have used it  
8 for loans because now we gotta write the  
9 Federal Government a check for \$10  
10 million to pay them back the money.

11 Wouldn't it make more sense to get  
12 the answer to the question first, before  
13 we actually create the loan program, and  
14 if the answer is something we don't like,  
15 we can reallocate those \$10 million  
16 towards a grant program.

17 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: I  
18 just want to be clear, National  
19 Development Council, they are a very well  
20 regarded national non-profit that's been  
21 running the County's Restaurant Grant,  
22 Loan, and the new Main Street Grant  
23 program using all their dollars, they  
24 proposed how to run the \$10 million loan  
25 program. We're just in the process.

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2 They believe it can be done and it can be  
3 a very significant effort for Nassau  
4 County's businesses. We are double  
5 checking everything with Haggarty, who's  
6 the newly onboard consultant, to make  
7 sure what they said is accurate so that  
8 we can spend the money this way.

9 I believe we can reallocate if we  
10 needed to, if we choose to do more in  
11 grants rather than the loan. Again,  
12 you're clearly allowed to do a loan  
13 program under ARP.

14 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: I get that you  
15 can do the loan program. The ultimate  
16 question is whether you're able to keep  
17 the money that you use as principle  
18 beyond 2026.

19 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:  
20 Yup. Understood; understood.

21 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: You don't know  
22 the answer to that, right?

23 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:  
24 Conal can help me out. I think we took a  
25 quick look at that and we asked Haggarty

1  
2 Consulting to confirm that we could and  
3 we are waiting for an answer.

4 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: As we sit here  
5 today when we're supposed to be voting on  
6 this, we don't know that answer.

7 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: I'm  
8 hesitant to say. I personally don't know  
9 for sure, so that's where we are.

10 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Okay. And it's  
11 National --

12 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:  
13 National Development Council.

14 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Did you ask  
15 National Development Council about the  
16 \$100 million?

17 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: No.

18 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: I didn't think  
19 so.

20 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:  
21 They've been involved with the business  
22 grants and loans from the beginning of  
23 the pandemic, a long time consultant to  
24 the Office of Community Development and  
25 very well regarded.

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2 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Do we have a  
3 definition yet as to what a retail sector  
4 business is? That was one of the  
5 questions that was asked Monday.

6 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: I  
7 apologize. I did not bring the  
8 application for the Boost Nassau Grant  
9 Program with me for today's vote. I had  
10 it last week. I thought that would be  
11 discussed at the hearing. We do have the  
12 specific outlines of the application that  
13 is currently, as I said, up on the portal  
14 for CDBG CARES ACT and it was consistent  
15 with what's eligible under the ARP as  
16 well. I just don't have it with me,  
17 Legislator. I apologize.

18 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: It's okay.

19 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: But  
20 a retail business is what you would think  
21 it is. It's the retailers that are on  
22 the main street. The laundry mat and the  
23 little corner store. It's the bagel shop  
24 that wasn't eligible for the restaurant  
25 grants; they're eligible now. We've

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2           tried to expand it to reach everyone as  
3           you walk down that main street and you  
4           pass a small business, those are the  
5           folks that we are aiming to help.

6           LEGISLATOR RHOADS:   The \$10,000  
7           limit on these grants is a self-imposed  
8           limit, isn't it?

9           DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:  
10          Yes.

11          LEGISLATOR RHOADS:   So we're not  
12          limited by the Federal Government --

13          DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:   No.

14          LEGISLATOR RHOADS:   As far as the  
15          \$10,000, so we could make it more if we  
16          wanted to.

17          DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:  
18          That's correct.

19          LEGISLATOR RHOADS:   The rationale  
20          behind using the loan program versus the  
21          grant program is that it enables us to  
22          give out larger loans than the \$10,000  
23          that we've self-imposed as a limit.

24          DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:  
25          That's correct.



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2           LEGISLATOR RHOADS: So in theory, if  
3 we were to scrap the loan program and  
4 give a grant program, we could actually  
5 increase the \$10,000 and make it more  
6 useful for certain businesses.

7           DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: I  
8 believe you could. I think, again, you'd  
9 have to go back to the purpose of the ARP  
10 funding. It's to make up for losses due  
11 to the pandemic and businesses do need to  
12 make a showing of that. For many small  
13 businesses, the size, we really found the  
14 \$10,000 mark what they'd find helpful.

15          LEGISLATOR RHOADS: To be perfectly  
16 honest, a mom and pop business that  
17 closed their doors for three months  
18 during the pandemic, the \$10,000 is  
19 barely gonna cover rent. As I mentioned,  
20 we are encouraging them to go for the  
21 State's program as well. We are working  
22 very closely with them to get them as  
23 much money as we can.

24          LEGISLATOR RHOADS: By the way, if  
25 anyone is already in it, and I believe

1  
2 you indicated that the Boost Nassau  
3 Program is already giving out grant money  
4 through CBDG?

5 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:  
6 CDBG.

7 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Are businesses  
8 that have already received grant money  
9 going to be eligible again to receive  
10 grants through --

11 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: As  
12 of now, we were thinking now. We would  
13 like to see a new bucket of businesses  
14 get the grant money. The only one  
15 category I mentioned is, perhaps, some of  
16 the restaurants who might have gotten the  
17 smaller dollar figure. If we have funds  
18 available at a later date, we might try  
19 to fund them again. Right now, we're  
20 looking to fund new businesses, not those  
21 who just received a restaurant grant.

22 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: The other  
23 question that I had, that I would like an  
24 answer to, back on Monday was that we are  
25 using \$9 million, essentially, for

1  
2 infrastructure projects, including \$3  
3 million for the Septic Tank Fund that you  
4 want to create. My concern with that is,  
5 not that the programs themselves aren't  
6 valuable programs. Clearly, they are.  
7 There is a clear environmental impact,  
8 certainly, with respect to the septic  
9 tank program. The question I have is  
10 whether it's an appropriate use of what  
11 are supposed to be COVID relief funds for  
12 an item that really isn't directly  
13 related to COVID. Mr. Persich or Mr.  
14 Denion, would we be able to use budgetary  
15 surplus or another County Fund to fund  
16 those programs, as we do any other  
17 infrastructure program? It'd free up \$9  
18 million to be put into either direct  
19 payments or grants to local businesses.

20 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:

21 You're talking about the infrastructure  
22 for water and sewer, right?

23 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Right.

24 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: I  
25 mean, that is eligible under ARP.

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2           LEGISLATOR RHOADS: I understand you  
3 can do it. My question is, are there  
4 sources of funding we can use within the  
5 County's existing funds outside of the  
6 \$192 million that we are receiving, that  
7 we can use to fund those programs and  
8 free up \$9 million to go into direct  
9 pandemic relief, which I believe is more  
10 appropriately suited to where this money  
11 should go.

12           DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: I  
13 think the Federal Government considered  
14 this direct pandemic relief by including  
15 water and sewer in the eligible  
16 categories for ARP expenses, and the  
17 Administration has tried in the \$62.9  
18 million plan to balance a number of very  
19 worthy causes, as you mentioned. In the  
20 scheme of things, we think the \$9 million  
21 is the right figure for this use at this  
22 time. I know Deputy County Executive  
23 Schneider is looking at some other items  
24 in the space of environmental and other  
25 areas, but for right now we felt this was

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2 the right amount for something that is  
3 clearly eligible.

4 Again, we are anxious to get some of  
5 these programs started. I think there  
6 was a lot of interest in both the septic  
7 program and the water conservation  
8 initiative, which is a multi-year.

9 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: I'm sure there  
10 is and I'm sure they're valuable.

11 My questions isn't whether it's  
12 acceptable under the guidelines that are  
13 imposed by the Federal Government. My  
14 question is: Are there other monies that  
15 we could be using to fund them not as  
16 part of this pandemic program; in other  
17 words, can we use part of the \$78 million  
18 surplus? Can we use that to fund the  
19 program?

20 MR. PERSICH: I will get back to you  
21 on that, Legislator. I don't know the  
22 answer to that. The only funding issue I  
23 would think is probably because it is  
24 sewage related and that type of an effect  
25 may be coming out of the Sewer and Storm

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2 Water Fund; I don't know the answer to  
3 that question. Whether I can take surplus  
4 dollars to give a tax payer relief on a  
5 septic system in his house. You know  
6 what I mean? I don't think that fits the  
7 general purpose of LFL as far as how we  
8 disperse money out. Under the General  
9 Fund or the five major operating funds, I  
10 know what fits the criteria. I don't  
11 know about Sewer and Storm water.

12 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Again, it's go  
13 nothing to do with the validity of the  
14 idea or the concept itself. It's just  
15 I'd like to maximize the dollars that we  
16 are using that we are getting from the  
17 Federal Government for things that are  
18 directly related to the pandemic and  
19 getting help into the hands of people who  
20 suffered as a result of COVID-19. If  
21 there's another way for us to accomplish  
22 the same goal through the septic program  
23 using other funds, I prefer to do that.  
24 I would love to get the answer to that  
25 questions before we actually had to vote

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2 on this, which is one of the reasons why  
3 I asked the question on Monday -- last  
4 Monday. So if we could please get an  
5 answer, that would help me figure out  
6 what I want to do with this.

7 MR. PERSICH: We'll get back to you  
8 on that.

9 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Thank you.

10 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
11 Legislator Mule?

12 LEGISLATGOR MULE: Thank you,  
13 Presiding Officer.

14 I was listening to what was being  
15 said about Boost Nassau Business Grant  
16 Fund, that's \$10 million; is that  
17 correct?

18 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:  
19 Yes.

20 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: Let  
21 me backtrack a little bit before that.

22 The group that was put together that  
23 had the Hofstra President --

24 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: The  
25 Economic Advisory Council.

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2                   LEGISLATGOR MULE:   That was all  
3                   based on questionnaires that were sent  
4                   out and you got responses from I think  
5                   around 1,000 business?

6                   DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:  
7                   Correct, Legislator.

8                   LEGISLATGOR MULE:   So would the  
9                   answers to those questionnaires form the  
10                  basis of this plan that you're using?

11                  DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:   It  
12                  was one of the inputs that we used.   We  
13                  also looked at, clearly, residents and  
14                  businesses who responded were interested  
15                  in small business grants.   They liked  
16                  loans as well for longer term investment  
17                  and to help them recover from larger  
18                  losses.

19                  We also looked at the HRNA study  
20                  that was done for the Rausch (phonetic)  
21                  Foundation about how to help downtowns,  
22                  which also talked about grants and loans  
23                  and the direction of our funding to those  
24                  purposes.   HRNA actually presented to the  
25                  members of the Economic Advisory Council,



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2 which includes, as the legislators who  
3 serve on it know, all the major Chamber  
4 of Commerce, Hispanic American Chamber,  
5 African American Chamber, and also the  
6 Council of Chambers. We also have small  
7 business people themselves on. Of  
8 course, everyone says, we'd love to have  
9 a grant. You always want the cash  
10 infusion, but there is interest in loans.  
11 It did come from all of those sources  
12 that I mentioned.

13 LEGISLATOR MULE: So the decisions  
14 that were made were based on studies and  
15 based on the actual interest of the small  
16 business owners themselves; is that  
17 correct?

18 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: I  
19 think that's fair to say, and people have  
20 spoken directly to me and to the County  
21 Executive. It's sort of in all these  
22 different forums you hear the same thing.  
23 Some people will say forgivable loan,  
24 because they want the larger amount and  
25 they know there's just a limited pot of

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2 funding. The forgivable loans, to my  
3 understanding, I think only the Federal  
4 Government can forgive loans. So what we  
5 are looking at is an extremely low  
6 percent, one percent, to keep folks  
7 engaged in the program.

8 LEGISLATGOR MULE: So let me get  
9 back to my original question. The \$10  
10 million for the grant and another \$10  
11 million for the loan; is that correct?

12 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:  
13 Yes. Separate.

14 LEGISLATGOR MULE: Separate, right.  
15 But if we didn't have this \$62 million  
16 today, which would include the \$10  
17 million and the \$10 million -- and I  
18 think I heard you say that people who  
19 come to the Boost Nassau Office and apply  
20 for the grant, that money will not be  
21 available; is that correct?

22 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: We  
23 have a few hundred thousand, I'm gonna  
24 say, left in the CDBG-CV account --

25 LEGISLATGOR MULE: I'm sorry. Can

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2 you repeat the amount?

3 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:

4 CDBG --

5 LEGISLATGOR MULE: No, I got that.

6 What was the amount?

7 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: A  
8 few hundred thousand, about \$300,000. We  
9 have about \$800,000 in Kevin Crean's,  
10 Office of Community Development account.  
11 This is all CARES, special CARES ACT  
12 allocation that you all directed. That's  
13 how we did the food distributions and  
14 free PPE kits and grants and loans in the  
15 height of the pandemic. So there was  
16 some money left in there. I think about  
17 \$350,000 -- it's not out the door because  
18 it's a reimbursement, but it is on way  
19 out the door. At \$10,000 a pop, it will  
20 go pretty quickly, if we don't have new  
21 influx of funding from the ARP.

22 LEGISLATGOR MULE: Right. Okay. To  
23 my way of thinking, we should be doing  
24 what we can to help the small businesses.  
25 I do support this.

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DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:  
Thank you, Legislator. I appreciate it.

PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
Legislator Gaylor?

LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: Thank you,  
Presiding Officer.

Good afternoon, Deputy County  
Executive Tsimis.

DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:  
Good afternoon.

LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: How are you  
today?

DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: I'm  
find. How are you?

LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: All right. So I  
have a couple of questions that I need  
clarification.

On grants that we've already given  
during COVID to businesses to help them  
out, would they also be eligible again  
for grant money or would they fall to the  
bottom and we'd be looking to give grant  
money to different businesses? I thought  
I heard you say that one in five business

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2 have received some kind of grant already.  
3 Would this grant money target the other  
4 four out of five?

5 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:

6 Yes. That was out of the number of full  
7 service restaurant that we think there  
8 are in Nassau County, that's based on the  
9 Department of Health. We only provided  
10 restaurant grants to full service  
11 restaurants that had a permit with the  
12 County. Again, this was in the height of  
13 COVID when safety was an issue, so we  
14 also wanted to follow very closely with  
15 the Health Department and they were a  
16 huge help. We are, at that point,  
17 planning to look at, again, a larger pool  
18 of small businesses, not just the small  
19 business restaurant. We are looking to  
20 fund as many as possible with the \$10  
21 million, and not to give repeat grants to  
22 the restaurants who already received a  
23 grant; at least not initially.

24 LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: Okay. Is the  
25 awarding of the grant based on first come

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2 or first serve of is there some kind of  
3 order of merit listing based on criteria,  
4 or what determines business "A" gets it  
5 and not business "B", or "C", or "C" gets  
6 it versus "A, B, or C"?

7 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: To  
8 some extent, it's first come first serve,  
9 entering the portal and submitting the  
10 all the right paperwork. You don't fully  
11 enter it until you get everything in, but  
12 then in terms of who gets funded, they  
13 have to meet the criteria outlined in the  
14 application, which follows the ARP  
15 eligibility. Again, they have to prove  
16 they've had economic hard due to the  
17 pandemic. They have to promise to use  
18 the funds for certain types of expenses  
19 like rent, they commit to that in the  
20 portal process, and then they're funded.

21 LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: How will the  
22 public become aware? What's the  
23 Administration's plan to publicize the  
24 various programs?

25 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:

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2 Actually, included in the budget before  
3 you is the \$500,000 for the Boost Nassau  
4 Center itself, which includes the  
5 temporary staffing that we've put in  
6 there. We have a great team. Dr. Regina  
7 Williams from the Office of Minority  
8 Affairs is leading. We have a about three  
9 new hires and a few more on the way. It  
10 will support the staffing, but we are  
11 also looking to place some advertisements  
12 to get the word out about the Boost  
13 Center itself and the resources that are  
14 available.

15 We're also looking to spend another  
16 million plus, about 1.5 million for  
17 partnerships with non-profit  
18 organizations that would include -- we've  
19 gotten some proposals already from  
20 Hofstra, we know the Nassau County  
21 Chamber of Commerce wants to be involved  
22 to get the word out. We had Eric  
23 Alexander present last week at the public  
24 hearing stating we had to get the word  
25 out at the ground level. To the extent

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2 that the potential partners are  
3 non-profits, we would be able to fund  
4 them.

5 Again, it all goes back to the  
6 portal. Applications would be made by  
7 these non-profit organizations. Like I  
8 mentioned, Hofstra, Nassau Community  
9 College may have a way to get out to the  
10 businesses, I'm not sure, but they would  
11 be eligible to participate in our efforts  
12 to get the word out.

13 In addition to that, as I mentioned,  
14 we are looking to take the Boost Nassau  
15 Program on the road as things have opened  
16 up and we can do public meetings again  
17 and go visit folks in libraries and  
18 community centers. We would follow the  
19 lead of our Office of Minority Affairs,  
20 Hispanic Affairs, and Asian Affairs and  
21 set up programs in libraries and places  
22 like that. We would love to work  
23 collaboratively with legislators in their  
24 districts.

25 LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: If I heard you



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2 correctly, the small business restaurants  
3 would have to apply through some  
4 non-profit agency to get into the portal?

5 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: Oh,  
6 no. I'm talking about how we're gonna  
7 get the word out.

8 LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: I want to know  
9 how the small business restaurant owner  
10 is gonna know that this program exists.

11 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: I  
12 was just telling you all the different  
13 ways we're gonna get the word out.

14 LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: I got it and I  
15 understand 100%.

16 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:  
17 They have to go through the portal, Boost  
18 Nassau.

19 LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: How are they  
20 gonna know that?

21 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:  
22 You're gonna tell them, I'm gonna tell  
23 them, the County Executive is gonna keep  
24 saying it, and we're gonna have  
25 newsletters and flyers and we're gonna

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2 get the word out. Our outreach offices  
3 will host programs and we're gonna look  
4 it as a partnership with all of you.  
5 Regina Williams will be out there as  
6 well. She's a powerhouse. We'll get the  
7 word out. I assure you, Legislator, if  
8 the money is allocated, we will let  
9 people know it is there and we will  
10 encourage you to join us in that effort.

11 LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: Sure. All  
12 right.

13 I think I heard you say, and I'm  
14 paraphrasing, but it might be pretty  
15 close, there's a lot of interest in water  
16 and sewer programs. When it came to the  
17 9 or 10 million funding. I would assume  
18 when there was not a lot of interest, for  
19 our Veteran's, because you've only  
20 allocated \$1 million for the 42,500  
21 Veterans that live in Nassau County. And  
22 42,500 that live here would benefit  
23 individually maybe to the tune of \$22 if  
24 we were to divvy up that \$1 million. And  
25 I know your list of what you want to do

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2 with the \$1 million includes such things  
3 as provide transitional housing, food,  
4 financial, employment training,  
5 healthcare, mental health, counseling,  
6 substance abuse counseling, emergency  
7 housing, food pantry, employment  
8 counseling, educational benefits; how  
9 does \$1 million do that for 42,500  
10 people?

11 Veterans who have served our country  
12 so we could sit here today and talk for  
13 hours about this ARP funding, but yet  
14 your Administration only grants \$1  
15 million for our Veteran's, but a lot of  
16 interest in water and sewer programs. I  
17 think there's a disconnect there. I'd  
18 like to hear what your thoughts are on  
19 why we have disrespected the Veterans.

20 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:

21 Legislator, thank you for the opportunity  
22 to comment on that. At last week's  
23 public hearing, I'm not sure if you were  
24 here for this part, Deputy County  
25 Executive Kyle Rose-Lauder laid out the

1  
2 plan for helping the Veteran Non Profit  
3 Organizations. I think her point was --  
4 again, this is not my area -- is that our  
5 own Department of Veteran Services does a  
6 tremendous amount dealing directly with  
7 Veterans and helping them and getting  
8 them all kinds of assistance as evidenced  
9 by the recent stand down.

10 The idea though, there are  
11 non-profit organizations who support  
12 Veterans who do not currently have  
13 contracts with the County and we are  
14 looking to start some new partnerships  
15 with those organizations and the  
16 Department of Veteran Services, I  
17 believe, identified those organizations.  
18 I think there may have been some  
19 conversations with some of them and that  
20 the \$1 million was based on a  
21 determination of what would be a good,  
22 sort of, first year effort with those  
23 non-profit organizations.

24 Again, as something new and above  
25 what the County's own Office of Veteran

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2 Affairs does to support our Veterans who  
3 be, obviously, care very deeply about.

4 LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: Sure. Our  
5 Veteran's Service Agency does a great  
6 job. There's no doubt about it. Ralph  
7 Esposito and everyone of the employees  
8 over there should be commended for the  
9 efforts that they do.

10 My understanding is none of this \$1  
11 million will go to supplement the Nassau  
12 County Veteran's Service Agency; is that  
13 correct?

14 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: I  
15 believe it's for non-profit partners of  
16 the County to provide services, which is  
17 the case for some of the other  
18 categories, to provide services. Which  
19 is the case for some of the other  
20 categories that we are funding as well;  
21 Youth Services, Office of the Aging. This  
22 is to provide supplemental funding to the  
23 County's partners who provide direct  
24 services to those individuals.

25 LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: Who are those

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2 partners?

3 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: I  
4 believe Deputy County Executive Kyle  
5 Rose-Lauder presented on that last week;  
6 I dont have the list.

7 LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: That was before  
8 Committee. We are before the Full  
9 Legislature. Is the Deputy County  
10 Executive here to talk? To speak? Can  
11 you call to get her to speak?

12 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: If  
13 it is necessary, we can see if she  
14 available.

15 LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: Would you do  
16 that?

17 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:  
18 You're looking for a list of agencies  
19 that --

20 LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: I want to know  
21 how the \$1 million is going to be spent.  
22 I want to know what input the County  
23 Administration used to determine why only  
24 \$1 million was allocated to from these  
25 monies to Veterans; it's pretty simple.

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2 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: I  
3 know the intention, again, as we've  
4 mentioned, applications would be on the  
5 portal for non-profit organizations to  
6 submit proposals for, again, with  
7 criteria that would be developed for them  
8 to apply for funds in the Veteran's  
9 Services area, as is the case with Youth  
10 Services, Mental Health Services and  
11 others.

12 Again, the Department Heads have  
13 been very involved in this. We have  
14 throughout the Health and Human Services  
15 vertical, some very knowledgeable team  
16 members. I believe I've identified those  
17 non-profit partners that we already have.  
18 As I mentioned, in the area of the VSA,  
19 we do not have partners that receive  
20 funding from the County, so this would be  
21 a new effort. I look at it as this is  
22 something we've never done before and a  
23 great opportunity for the Administration  
24 to stake its claim and help Veterans in a  
25 new way, by providing funding directly

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2 to non-profits that provide those  
3 services. Again, with all due respect, I  
4 don't look at it as a negative. I think  
5 it seems to me to be a positive that we  
6 are doing something we've never done  
7 before.

8 LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: But I'd like to  
9 know which non-profit agencies that  
10 you're talking about. There are many of  
11 them that come under heavy scrutiny  
12 because the administrative fees are very  
13 costly and the amount that they actually  
14 push forward for the Veteran is *de*  
15 *minimus* for every dollar they get: High  
16 overhead, they keep the money, they pay  
17 their salaries for themselves and they  
18 give very little to the Veteran. I think  
19 it behooves us to know who we're giving  
20 the money to and what their overhead  
21 costs are and exactly how much of each  
22 dollar is in support of a Veteran. It is  
23 pretty straight forward.

24 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:  
25 That's an important point and I think



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2 that maybe as part of the criteria that  
3 are developed for determining which if  
4 the non-profits receive grants, one of  
5 the criteria we can ask to include is  
6 what's the percentage going back to  
7 administrative costs. That's a great  
8 suggestion, Legislator. I'm happy to  
9 take it back and make sure the VSA team  
10 and Deputy County Executive Rose --  
11 Lauder take that into account.

12 LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: Please do.  
13 Veterans are a very important part of our  
14 County here and we owe them a lot, so  
15 please take that back. Please take my  
16 comments and concerns and thank you for  
17 the great jog that you've done.

18 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:  
19 Thank you.

20 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
21 Minority Leader Abrahams.

22 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: How are you,  
23 Ms. Tsimis?

24 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: I'm  
25 well. How are you, Minority Leader?

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2                   LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: Well, thank  
3 you. This is my first time back.

4                   DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:  
5 Good to see you.

6                   LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: I'm happy to  
7 hear, one, the County's use of Rescue  
8 Plan money is proceeding forward. I am  
9 concerned, because from what I'm hearing  
10 from the Majority, is that there's a  
11 potential that it may be tabled. I'm  
12 concerned because I've heard from  
13 residents throughout the County for the  
14 last 13 or 14 months, those that have  
15 struggled, those that received a direct  
16 payment that they received from the  
17 Federal Government directly some time  
18 ago, they are still struggling. That  
19 doesn't only include residents, it  
20 includes all the entities that we're  
21 talking about helping with the Rescue  
22 Plan today. I'm hopeful that this will  
23 go forward, but it sounds like it won't.

24                   I do have a question, because I know  
25 there's been a lot of discussion that's

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2           been centered around the \$375 direct  
3           payment initiative the County Executive  
4           announced some time ago. I just want to  
5           make sure that's clear for the record,  
6           that is not before this body today;  
7           however, I do respect the Majority's  
8           concerns in regard to whether or not the  
9           amount will be permissible based off of  
10          the guidelines of using STAR. I'm  
11          correct --

12                   DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:

13          You're correct, Legislator.

14                   LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: So we can help  
15          a hand full of folks to the tune of  
16          almost \$63 million and get that process  
17          going today. One of the questions and  
18          why, you know, my Finance Director,  
19          Michelle Darcy is coming up to me, I just  
20          want to be clear, of the \$62.9, how much  
21          of that will be contractual expenses  
22          that will come back to the Legislature?  
23          Those that are asking questions in  
24          regards to what we have, potentially a  
25          blank check that's gonna go out, I

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2 believe a substantial amount of that  
3 would come back to the Legislature at  
4 some point for Rules Committee or it will  
5 be for the entire Legislature. Let me  
6 clarify that. It will be Rules Committee  
7 members in that particular committee.

8 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: I  
9 don't.

10 MR. PERSICH: As part of a  
11 supplemental appropriation that we  
12 presented forward to you, it's \$60.4  
13 million.

14 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: So \$60.4 of  
15 the \$62.9 million would come back to this  
16 body in the form of contracts before the  
17 Rules Committee; not all 19 of us, but  
18 some of us that sit on that committee  
19 will have an opportunity to review those  
20 contracts and see how this money is being  
21 spent?

22 MR. PERSICH: The answer to the  
23 questions is yes. It will be part of the  
24 Contractual Service line and who we  
25 enlist to do these programs will come

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2 before you.

3 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: So to me, is  
4 there any impediment from your  
5 discussions, and I'm assuming your  
6 discussions with the Department of  
7 Treasury or even with the Majority Leader  
8 in the Senate, Chuck Schumer, had been  
9 more centered around the direct payments,  
10 but has there been any discussions in  
11 anything that you've presented as part of  
12 the \$62.9 million that is not permissible  
13 by the Department of Treasury or anyone  
14 you've spoken to? What I'm driving at  
15 is, all these particular measures that  
16 you've identified in terms of using the  
17 \$62.9 million has been deemed  
18 permissible, whether by the Department  
19 Treasury or any entity in the Federal  
20 Government.

21 MR. PERSICH: We vetted these  
22 programs through out consultants, as well  
23 as our internal vetting process that we  
24 have here. We believe all these programs  
25 are eligible under the guidance that was

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2 given to us.

3 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: If I may, let  
4 me just try to summarize this. So we  
5 have \$62.9 million of which there's been  
6 no entity in the Federal Government, and  
7 based on your discussions with the  
8 Federal Government, they've all been  
9 vetted and seem to be approved for use  
10 based off of those guidelines. On top of  
11 that, of the \$62.9 million, \$60.4  
12 million, which I don't know the  
13 percentages of that, maybe you know,  
14 Andy, sounds like a very high percentage  
15 -- like 98% -- Will come back to the  
16 Legislative Body for a vote. So even  
17 though things may not be clear in terms  
18 of how well-defined it may be for some  
19 that want to see it on this particular  
20 body, a large percentage of it, which to  
21 get the ball rolling, a large percentage  
22 of it would come back to this Legislative  
23 Body -- I'm sorry, to the Rules Committee  
24 Body, for a particular vote.

25 So, to me, I don't see the great

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2           impediment. I've heard from residents not  
3           for the last 13, 14, 15, some odd months;  
4           they're struggling, they need this. I  
5           think any time delaying this process,  
6           whether is a week or two weeks or two  
7           months is going to be a disservice to  
8           those constituents, and I'm talking about  
9           the business community, the  
10          community-based community. I think to  
11          their standpoint, it'd be a disservice.

12                 If I can spend two seconds, because  
13          I know my colleagues have spent some time  
14          talking about the direct payment in terms  
15          of more clarity. The direct payment, I  
16          know we're trying to define the universe,  
17          and, Ms. Tsimis, I heard your statement  
18          in terms of leaving it where that is  
19          today. There are certain populations  
20          that within that particular universe of  
21          using the STAR program, which would be up  
22          to \$500,000 per household -- there are  
23          certain, I would think, demographics of  
24          folks that would meet what we kind of saw  
25          last year with the Federal Government.

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2 Those populations I'm speaking of would  
3 be like folks who received enhanced STAR,  
4 or even folks that received a senior tax  
5 exemption, which we can justify their  
6 salary income. If push came to shove  
7 and you weren't able to get a response,  
8 is the County looking to pivot to  
9 potentially those populations? Because I  
10 don't think anyone up here would argue  
11 that folks that are enhanced STAR, which  
12 is a much lesser salary than folks that  
13 are on regular STAR, as well as the  
14 senior tax exemption to them. Actually,  
15 I hope no one is arguing direct payment  
16 assistance to anyone. I think from that  
17 standpoint, we should be more assisting  
18 you in making sure that anyone that lives  
19 in this County is able to get some type  
20 of relief as pertaining to the last 15  
21 months. I respect the questions and the  
22 dialogue and the debate and I think we  
23 need to do our due diligence as  
24 legislators, but I don't think, if I'm  
25 hearing everyone correctly, everyone is



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2 saying we want to support the County  
3 Executive in this initiative in terms of  
4 getting direct payment assistance to  
5 everyone in this county.

6 So I ask the question, and I will go  
7 back to it again, has the County looked  
8 at the potential opportunity in the event  
9 this does get stalled or you don't get  
10 the proper responses? To address some of  
11 the concerns I think I heard from  
12 Legislator Ferretti and Legislator  
13 Rhoads, as pertains to other populations  
14 where we know the universe could be  
15 shrank (sic) to some degree, but at the  
16 same time it would model kind of what the  
17 Federal Government did in terms of the  
18 income levels. Has the County looked at  
19 those particular opportunities and those  
20 demographics with the enhanced STAR and  
21 the senior tax exemption?

22 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: I  
23 think it is safe to say that we are  
24 looking at the universe of who will get  
25 the checks right now and it's probably

1  
2 best if I don't talk about pivoting,  
3 because we are very much on the original  
4 plan and sorting that all through.

5 But I appreciate your remarks about,  
6 I think we can all agree, that there are  
7 many residents that deserve the  
8 assistance and that we should be working  
9 collaboratively to get it to them, so  
10 thank you.

11 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: Well, thank  
12 you.

13 I guess this question might have  
14 been asked already: When do you  
15 anticipate being able to get a response  
16 or being able to formalize a plan?

17 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:  
18 Formalizing the plan, I don't know what  
19 the timeframe is; hopefully, as soon as  
20 possible.

21 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: Well, that's  
22 what I'm driving at.

23 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:  
24 Things are a little bit up the air --

25 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: I hate the

1  
2 fact that you're caught and stuck in the  
3 bureaucracy of Washington DC and the red  
4 tape that exists there. From that  
5 standpoint, I want to try to see how fast  
6 we can drive through that. I have  
7 constituents all throughout my district  
8 that would love to be able to get \$375.  
9 If there is anything my office can do to  
10 help make that process happen, then I'm  
11 open to doing it. I think we should take  
12 a more supportive role towards ensuring  
13 that the County actually gets the plan  
14 done. I'm not too caught up in when the  
15 County Executive announced it versus --

16 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: It  
17 gets done.

18 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: To me, the  
19 bottom line is, we need to get this done  
20 and how do we get it done. I want to be  
21 able to extend my office as a support  
22 role for that.

23 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:  
24 Thank you, Legislator.

25 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: That being

1  
2 said, I just want to encourage all of my  
3 colleagues today to vote through the  
4 \$62.9 million.

5 Based on the testimony from Mrs.  
6 Tsimis and from Andy, it clearly -- the  
7 Legislative process would be that the  
8 Rules Committee would get another  
9 opportunity to vote on 60.4 of the 62.9,  
10 which, Andy, I'm still giving you time as  
11 a human math machine to be able to give  
12 me the percentage on. I believe it's a  
13 very high percentage that would still  
14 come back to this Body before one penny  
15 of that \$60.4 million is actually  
16 dispersed. So we have an opportunity  
17 today to do something that would send a  
18 strong message to the business community,  
19 to the community-based community and to  
20 many other folks. We have an opportunity  
21 to send a very strong message that we go  
22 their back and we are supportive of them,  
23 rather than it get caught in the  
24 murkiness of a potential table, because  
25 that shows that maybe we don't clearly

1  
2 know exactly how we want to deal with  
3 this and how we want to proceed.

4 I would encourage my colleagues to  
5 support that based off the fact that  
6 \$60.4 million will come back and be  
7 presented to the Rules Committee at a  
8 later point before one penny of that  
9 \$60.4 is dispersed.

10 Do you have that percentage, Andy?  
11 I saw you calculating it on your phone.

12 MR. PERSICH: Ninety six percent.

13 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: Ninety six  
14 percent, thank you very much.

15 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: At  
16 the risk of -- you've been extremely  
17 helpful, Minority Leader, and at the risk  
18 of disagreeing, I do think we are --  
19 earlier in my remarks, I mentioned that  
20 for some of the grants we are looking to  
21 expedite and the process would look the  
22 same as other grants that the County  
23 does. I'm not an expert on that, but I  
24 do think there may be a difference  
25 between a grant and a contract. Some

1  
2 will come back to Rules and I'm not sure  
3 that that full dollar figure that the  
4 Budget Director cited --

5 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: Okay. Could  
6 you get back to this Body, would you be  
7 able to get that number?

8 I don't know if there's anymore  
9 questions, Presiding Officer, but would  
10 you be able to get that percentage for  
11 us?

12 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:  
13 Yeah. We can get that for you.

14 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: Thank you.

15 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: How  
16 long will it take you to get that?

17 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:  
18 Again, like I said, I believe we are  
19 developing the process for an expedited  
20 grant program, but, maybe Andy is right.  
21 I don't want to stand in the way of this.  
22 I hate to say that almost 100% are coming  
23 back before you as contract amendments.  
24 I think that's what you're saying. I'm  
25 not sure that's accurate. I think we're

1  
2 looking at a way to expedite to existing  
3 County vendors funding because this is,  
4 again, emergency funding.

5 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: The reason I  
6 brought it up is because I think that  
7 will allow this process to go forward,  
8 but at the same time it would alleviate  
9 some of the concerns of potentially  
10 writing a blank check.

11 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: I  
12 understand. He seems sure.

13 MR. PERSICH: Despite what Evelyn is  
14 saying, I think the process will be we  
15 will contract with these grantor agencies  
16 that will distribute the funds. We will  
17 select a vendor from that and they will  
18 be the ones that will be administering  
19 the funds.

20 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: We would still  
21 approve that --

22 (Whereupon, crosstalk.)

23 MR. PERSICH: -- on 95% of the  
24 money, because we don't do this stuff in  
25 house. We don't have the capability --

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2           LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: I'm still  
3 comfortable with that percentage. That is  
4 really what I'm driving at. When those  
5 contracts, whether it is with that  
6 particular entity that is going to  
7 disperse the grant money, we're still  
8 going to have approve that particular  
9 contract. And you may have a contract  
10 that disperses that many other smaller  
11 agencies which is totally fine, but  
12 ultimately, we will have a bite at that  
13 apple to be able to approve those monies.

14           MR. PERSICH: You have to look at it  
15 another way too. It's the way the  
16 structure of the County Budget is done.  
17 We have only certain ways to put  
18 supplements into certain, I use the term  
19 buckets again. You know, how are we going  
20 to spend this money. I have to see what  
21 best fits this and this is how it fits  
22 into that bucket, that category, of how  
23 we are going to disperse funds.

24           LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: I gotcha.

25           MR. PERSICH: Because the way the



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2 budget is written. It's by control  
3 center, then by department, and then it  
4 goes down to the object code level, which  
5 is how we disperse money here.

6 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: I understand.

7 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Just  
8 so I'm clear on one of the big specifics,  
9 the Boost Nassau Program, in terms of the  
10 Main Street Small Business Grant Program  
11 and the Small Business Loan Program, all  
12 would come back to the Legislature in the  
13 form of contracts, is that what you're  
14 saying, Andy?

15 MR. PERSICH: I'm saying the vendor  
16 that will be administering that program  
17 will come before this Body.

18 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Okay.  
19 All right.

20 All right, we are going to --  
21 Legislator Rhoads?

22 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: And at that  
23 time, will we be able to ask questions  
24 regarding the grant program criteria?

25 MR. PERSICH: I would say yes, but

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2 that's a programmatic thing.

3 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: We  
4 haven't gotten that far, Legislator, but  
5 if that's the process you're looking for  
6 then --

7 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Well, if I can  
8 ask. If the idea is to get immediate  
9 assistance --

10 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: I  
11 believe the County Executive's Office was  
12 speaking to the County Attorney's Office  
13 and the Office of Procurement and  
14 Consultants to try to come up with the  
15 most expeditious way of getting this  
16 funding in the hands of the qualified  
17 organizations that are going run various  
18 programs for us. So I think --

19 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: I was under the  
20 impression the Boost Nassau Program was  
21 already providing --

22 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS: It  
23 is, but now we're changing the funding  
24 source to ARP. It is up and running with  
25 CDBG-CV and the issue that is under

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2 review was whether we can proceed with  
3 the same vendor with additional funding  
4 without coming back to the Legislature.  
5 Could it be done as a grant, would be  
6 need to amend the contract that they have  
7 with the Office of Community Development.  
8 These are all in the weeds, but very  
9 important details that we've been working  
10 through for the last week since we knew  
11 this money was coming and determined that  
12 this was something that the County  
13 Executive and the Economics Advisory  
14 Council and everything else wanted to try  
15 to accomplish. I'm sorry if it's a  
16 little in the weeds, but this is where  
17 we're living right now. We are trying to  
18 make everything exactly right by County  
19 procedures, by ARP regulations, and so  
20 that question is one that is under  
21 review. Right now, this organization is  
22 managing what was the Restaurant Grant  
23 Program, pivoted to a Small Business  
24 Grant Program, using the same funding  
25 stream and we just added to the current

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2 contract. It was a contract amendment and  
3 we put a new funding source in. Now if  
4 it's \$10 million more, I personally, as  
5 the DCE over this subject matter, wanted  
6 to have a few checks on that to make sure  
7 it's done properly whether it we could  
8 either do it in the form of a grant  
9 directly to National Development Council,  
10 the are an eligible non-profit, or do we  
11 need to do a contract that will then come  
12 before this Legislature. That's why I'm  
13 a little hesitant about what about what  
14 Andy is saying to you, because we've been  
15 looking at both of those options.

16 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: So we don't know  
17 whether it's coming back to us or not at  
18 this point?

19 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:  
20 Assuming that you want it to, then we  
21 will lead in that direction. At least on  
22 those two programs, because I think this  
23 is that significant; the grant and the  
24 loan.

25 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: What's the

1  
2 timeframe we can expect? If we were to  
3 approve this today, what's the timeframe  
4 we could expect money to actually get  
5 into the hands of businesses?

6 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:

7 Look, if it was a grant that's allowable  
8 under ARP regulations, County  
9 Procurement, etcetera, that would move  
10 faster, because it wouldn't necessarily  
11 need to come back to the Legislature. If  
12 we determine that it needs to come back  
13 to the Legislature, that's going to add a  
14 month or so to putting the \$10 million  
15 into these funds. It's just is what it  
16 is. Everything has it's tradeoff, as a  
17 relative of mine always says.

18 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: In terms of the  
19 grant program itself, are there any  
20 provisions within that program  
21 specifically for MWBE?

22 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:

23 Well, we absolutely -- we didn't set  
24 aside MWBE Funds, but we will absolutely  
25 make a push on MWBEs as we did with the

1  
2 restaurant grant.

3 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Okay. Thank  
4 you.

5 DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE TSIMIS:  
6 You're welcome.

7 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: We're  
8 gonna take a break, the caucus, for a few  
9 moments, and then we'll be back.

10 (Whereupon, at 5:11 p.m., a  
11 brief recess is taken.)

12 (Whereupon, at 5:41 p.m.,  
13 Legislative Body is back in  
14 session.)

15 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Okay.  
16 We are back. We've concluded the  
17 questioning, obviously, so I'm going to  
18 give the legislators an opportunity to  
19 make statements, if they want, before we  
20 vote on this.

21 Legislators? Deputy Presiding  
22 Officer Kopel.

23 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Thank you. At  
24 the outset of this discussion I said that  
25 I would like to table it pending the

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2 receipt of answers to the questions that  
3 we asked several weeks ago. We didn't  
4 get the answers till now. We didn't get  
5 any answers today to the questions that  
6 we asked. Nonetheless, I am persuaded  
7 this time that we ought to vote to go  
8 ahead with this relying on the good faith  
9 of the Administration that these funds  
10 will be fairly distributed in each case,  
11 and that the wishes of all of the  
12 Legislators will be considered in a fair  
13 way, and that there is not going to be  
14 any favoritism shown.

15 However, I would lay down a marker:  
16 Going forward, we do need to have much  
17 more transparency in terms of the future  
18 allocation of funds from this traunch of  
19 money and certainly for those who will be  
20 here when the next traunch comes through.  
21 We need to take many things into  
22 consideration. This county has got a lot  
23 of fiscal problems. The fact that we  
24 have extra money now, should not bind ut  
25 to the fact that overall we have an

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2 issues. That issue is, among other  
3 things, is that we've got people who are  
4 running businesses, who own buildings who  
5 run businesses, for instance, who are  
6 waiting for years in many cases for tax  
7 SERP money to come to them. That would  
8 help these businesses. Right in the  
9 middle of a pandemic or the end of a  
10 pandemic, they could use this money.

11 At the same time, the County is  
12 paying 9%, 9%, that's crazy. You can't  
13 get 9% anywhere. Nine percent this is  
14 costing the County on this money and  
15 we're not going ahead and paying for it  
16 and that doesn't make any sense to me.

17 I think that we need to be far more  
18 -- and that's just one of the items for  
19 which we ought to be thinking about.  
20 Using this money in a way that -- this is  
21 a unique opportunity -- we need to use  
22 this money in a way that is going to help  
23 people to be sure, but it's also going to  
24 help the County in the long run. Not  
25 only in the short run, not only tomorrow.



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2 It's very nice. If we give people a few  
3 bucks -- and certainly many people can  
4 use it, I don't deny that -- but we need  
5 to do it in a smart way. We need to do  
6 it in a way that it's going to help  
7 people not only today, but tomorrow.  
8 It's going to help us keep taxes down,  
9 it's going to help us pay back people to  
10 whom we own money.

11 As I say, I will vote for this today  
12 relying on the good faith of the  
13 Administration, but laying down that  
14 marker that going forward we need to see  
15 more information and we need to have  
16 better cooperation from the  
17 Administration.

18 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
19 Legislator Ford.

20 LEGISLATOR FORD: Thank you very  
21 much Presiding Officer.

22 I whole-heartedly agree with you,  
23 Legislator Kopel. I am voting yes, but I  
24 am disappointed in the lack of answers to  
25 the questions answers to the questions

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2 raised by many in my caucus. This is an  
3 important initiative to help our  
4 businesses, Veterans and many others. We  
5 need to be assured this is distributed  
6 fairly. These urgent votes of these  
7 monies has to stop and all future  
8 spending specifics must be brought  
9 forward in questions, even those that are  
10 uncomfortable, must be answered.

11 I also, as we talk about this  
12 urgency and how we have to help our small  
13 businesses and we need to get this done,  
14 I understand that. But I also echo the  
15 sentiments by Legislator Kopel that when  
16 we have businesses that are still waiting  
17 the tax SERP, their money, when they have  
18 successfully grieved their assessments  
19 and they are owed tens of thousands of  
20 dollars by this County, and they're not  
21 getting that funding, I think that that  
22 is a disgrace. You can't declare and say  
23 you want to help in this sense, but we're  
24 not gonna help on that sense. I think it  
25 is about time that we start looking at

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2 all these issues and listening to all of  
3 us and our questions and concerns of the  
4 many businesses and many residents that  
5 we represent as well. Let's all start  
6 working together so that we can make sure  
7 this County succeeds and does well in the  
8 future years to come.

9 Thank you.

10 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
11 Legislator Ferretti.

12 LEGISLATOR FERRETTI: Thank you,  
13 Presiding Officer.

14 I, too, will be voting in favor of  
15 this \$62.9 million, but I just want to  
16 stress the focus on this \$100 million  
17 that was previous promised by the  
18 Administration to residents in forms of  
19 direct cash payments. I was sitting in  
20 the back at the time, but I heard some  
21 members of the Minority talk about the  
22 urgency of this vote today, the \$62.9  
23 million. I didn't hear much, though,  
24 about the urgency that residents are  
25 facing. There are plenty of residents,

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2 middle class Nassau County residents who  
3 maybe didn't qualify for some of the  
4 Federal stimulus checks so far. I get  
5 plenty that come to me and say, I haven't  
6 received a dollar, while they were  
7 promised by this Administration that they  
8 would be receiving \$375. Nothing that  
9 we've heard over the last seven days,  
10 including the hearing a week ago, has  
11 convinced me that that's still the plan.

12 I know in my district, you can count  
13 on one hand how many residents would not  
14 have qualified for this direct cash  
15 payment. They were all promised by this  
16 administration that they'd be getting in.  
17 I think we really need to see going  
18 forward a plan quickly, as to what is  
19 going to be happening with that \$100  
20 million. Again, that is more than half  
21 of the money that's been given to Nassau  
22 County through this program and it's just  
23 floating out there in the wind. Not only  
24 was this promised to residents, but we,  
25 this Legislature, was promised an answer

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2 after your meeting with the Treasury  
3 Department which we have not received,  
4 still.

5 Please, if you can get those answers  
6 to us. If it is not going to go the way  
7 the Administration promised, whatever the  
8 alternative plan is, we certainly need to  
9 know what it is. And I would certainly  
10 hope that it is going to encompass the  
11 same residents that were promised this  
12 direct payment a month ago.

13 Thank you.

14 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
15 Legislator Rhoads?

16 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: I, too, am going  
17 to be reluctantly voting yes on the \$62.9  
18 million spending plan from the  
19 Administration.

20 My concern is, sort of what I  
21 expressed during my questioning, it is  
22 really not a plan. I gotta say the  
23 Administration has really lowered the bar  
24 on transparency and on getting us  
25 information that we need in order to be

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2           able to make decision that obviously have  
3           a significant impact on businesses and  
4           residents in our district. And we've  
5           been put in a difficult position. The  
6           last thing we want to do is hold up  
7           getting relief to residents. I wish the  
8           Administration showed the same sense of  
9           urgency, essentially, when it took \$78  
10          million out of the hands of businesses  
11          and the mouths of residents out of the  
12          CARES ACT funding that we received based  
13          on what ultimately was a  
14          misrepresentation about the County's  
15          budget status.

16                I know that we are taking the  
17                Administration on faith as Deputy  
18                Presiding Officer Kopel mentioned, but I  
19                have a hard time taking the  
20                administration on faith. Because when it  
21                comes to assessment, when it comes to  
22                CARES ACT, when it comes to borrowing,  
23                when it comes to probably at least two  
24                dozen other instances that I could point  
25                to over the course of the last

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2 three-and-a-half-years, taking the  
3 Administration on faith really hasn't  
4 turned out very well. But here we are  
5 doing this again, because, ultimately, we  
6 want to get funds into the hands of  
7 residents which is already been delayed  
8 as a results of the Administration's  
9 handling of the CARES ACT funding, which  
10 has already been delayed by almost eight  
11 or nine months. We don't want to be a  
12 source of further delay.

13 I fully expect that over the course  
14 of the next few weeks as the  
15 administration figures out what its  
16 actually plan is, which we would have  
17 liked to have seen before our vote, we're  
18 gonna hold our feet to the fire. The  
19 idea is to get this money into the hands  
20 of residents and businesses as quickly as  
21 possible -- and groups -- as quickly as  
22 possible.

23 Now that it's approved, the pressure  
24 it on you to get it done. We have done  
25 or doing our part in allocating the

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2 funds, it is up to you now to get your  
3 are act together and come up with the  
4 details of this plan because it is  
5 already been delayed far too long. This  
6 wasn't a surprise that we were receiving  
7 this money. I don't know why when we  
8 received it, why we waited till May to  
9 seemingly formulate what we've been  
10 presented. This is something that should  
11 have been the subject of months of  
12 discussion and the fact that we are at  
13 the point we where we are now with  
14 nothing but general ideas and platitudes  
15 is really source of tremendous  
16 frustration.

17 I'm gonna vote yes today because we  
18 want to do our part in trying to get the  
19 money out as quickly as possible. But  
20 going forward, we've got to demand better  
21 and the Administration has to do better.  
22 This is just unacceptable.

23 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Okay.  
24 Just briefly to add to that. Obviously,  
25 there's a balance between the desire to



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2 get these monies to our small businesses  
3 and residents as quickly as possible  
4 after suffering so much during the  
5 pandemic, but that has to be balanced  
6 with doing our due diligence to make sure  
7 things are done properly, that there's  
8 authorization, that there's detail. And  
9 most telling example of when somebody  
10 apparently didn't do that was the County  
11 Executive who announced on May 17th that  
12 there was a plan to send direct payments  
13 to everyone who received STAR and a month  
14 later the Administration is scrambling to  
15 get clarification that all STAR  
16 recipients can receive this. Again, you  
17 have to do your due diligence before you  
18 approve of these things.

19 We need to make sure that those who  
20 suffered greatly, our residents, our  
21 economically disadvantaged residents, our  
22 middle class, receive payments. We have  
23 to make sure our businesses, Veterans and  
24 seniors are supported. We have to make  
25 sure they have adequate support in this.

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2 We are confident by the fact that  
3 the vast majority of the spending will  
4 come back to us in the form of contracts,  
5 so I will support this as well.

6 Anyone else? Legislator Walker?

7 LEGISLATOR WALKER: Just another  
8 comment regarding the Veterans. I just  
9 want to be sure. I know that Legislator  
10 Ford asked about the various Posts, and  
11 so on and so forth, and you said,  
12 hopefully, you would try to make them be  
13 able to qualify and they can even come  
14 and sit and have a meeting, or whatever.  
15 To those other organizations, the non  
16 profit organizations that assist our  
17 Veterans as Legislator Gaylor said, many  
18 of those outside organizations -- when I  
19 say I'm guilty of it myself, I gave to  
20 many organizations that I found out after  
21 the fact that a miniscule amount -- if I  
22 have \$25, they were lucky if they got  
23 fifty cents. I want to make sure that  
24 any of those organizations, the money is  
25 going to the Veterans, or I'd rather just

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2 see it go to the Veterans themselves in  
3 Nassau County, not going to outside  
4 agencies. I know you said that's  
5 something you are going to check on, but  
6 that is very important to me.

7 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Anyone  
8 else like to speak?

9 (Whereupon, no verbal  
10 response.)

11 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
12 Hearing none, All in favor, signify by  
13 saying, "Aye".

14 (Whereupon, all members of  
15 the Nassau County Legislative  
16 Body respond in favor by  
17 saying, "Aye".)

18 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Those  
19 opposed?

20 (Whereupon, no verbal  
21 response.)

22 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
23 Carries unanimously.

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3 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Item  
4 #7. A vote on a proposed Local Law to  
5 amend Article 10 of the Nassau County  
6 Administrative Code to require written  
7 notification to towns, villages, cities,  
8 and school districts of agreements  
9 proposed to be entered into by Nassau  
10 County for the operation of multi-unit  
11 shelters to be located within such  
12 jurisdictions.

13 Motion by Legislator Walker,  
14 seconded by Legislator Schaefer for this  
15 item.

16 In response to questions that were  
17 raised by the Minority about the  
18 definitions of the legislation, we have  
19 submitted an amendment to provide more  
20 detail and more description of exactly  
21 what this is intended to cover. Without  
22 going into too much detail, the specific  
23 definitions was to take it from State Law  
24 in terms of the shelters that would be  
25 affected by this. I would need a motion

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2 for an amendment in the nature of a  
3 substitution.

4 Moved by Legislator Rhoads, seconded  
5 by Legislator Ford.

6 Anyone want to debate the definition  
7 section of the amendment?

8 Legislator Drucker?

9 LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: Thank you,  
10 Presiding Officer.

11 I don't have a debate, but I was  
12 apprised by our legal staff that there  
13 might be a technical error in the  
14 language: Section 10.1.1, it says in the  
15 last sentence, "...a commercial  
16 hotel/motel used as temporary placement  
17 pursuant to Section 352.3(E) of this  
18 Title.." I think it's supposed to refer  
19 to not this title, but Title 18 of the  
20 New York Code Rules and Regulations. I  
21 don't know if that is something that  
22 warrants a correction that can be done  
23 immediately, or whatever.

24 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: We're  
25 gonna find out.

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2                   LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: We're gonna  
3 find out.

4                   (Whereupon, off the record  
5 discussion.)

6                   PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: It  
7 appears that an error was made. Thank  
8 you for pointing that out. Obviously, we  
9 wouldn't want this to be adopted with an  
10 error, even though it is a typographical  
11 type of error, we want it to be as clear  
12 as possible.

13                   LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: I'm good, but  
14 not that good. You could blame the  
15 Minority Counsel for that (laughter).

16                   PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Fine  
17 (laughter).

18                   All right. I need a motion to  
19 table.

20                   Moved by Legislator Walker, second  
21 by Legislator Drucker. All in favor to  
22 table, signify by saying, "Aye".

23                   (Whereupon, all members of  
24 the Nassau County Legislative  
25 Body respond in favor by

saying, "Aye".)

PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Those  
opposed?

(Whereupon, no verbal  
response.)

PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: It's  
tabled.

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2 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: We  
3 have one item left, Item #24. A  
4 Resolution authorizing the County  
5 Executive to execute an agreement with  
6 American Traffic Solutions Inc., D/B/A  
7 Verra Mobility, and two Agreements with  
8 school districts in relation to the  
9 County's School Bus Stop Arm Photo  
10 Enforcement Program.

11 Moved by Deputy Presiding Officer  
12 Kopel, seconded by Minority Leader  
13 Abrahams.

14 Do we have someone from the  
15 Administration to speak on this? I  
16 believe we're going to need the IG as  
17 well.

18 INSPECTOR GENERAL FRANZESE: I'm  
19 here, Presiding Officer.

20 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Okay.  
21 Thank you.

22 DEPUTY COUNTY ATTORNEY GREGWARE:  
23 Dan Gregware, Deputy County Attorney.  
24 Today we're asking the Legislature to  
25 authorize the County Executive to enter



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2 into Verra Mobility to install, operate,  
3 and maintain a school bus photo violation  
4 monitoring system on school buses owned,  
5 operated by, or under contract with  
6 school districts located within the  
7 County as part of the County's Stop Arm  
8 Program.

9 We are also requesting the  
10 Legislature to authorize the County  
11 Executive to enter into participation  
12 agreements with school districts located  
13 within the County who wish to participate  
14 in the Stop Arm Program.

15 Any questions?

16 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Yes.  
17 We have a report from the IG. I'd like  
18 to ask Jodi to comment on the finding s  
19 or her review of this matter.

20 INSPECTOR GENERAL FRANZESE: Thank  
21 you, Presiding Officer. Good afternoon,  
22 everyone. This is Jodi Faranese, Office  
23 of the Inspector General. I'm here with  
24 Deputy Inspector General Ned Schwartz.  
25 As you all know, our office conducted a

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2 review of the documents in the  
3 Legislative Package, including the  
4 adverse information that was disclosed by  
5 the Vendor in the disclosure forms.

6 The information regarding the  
7 investigation of this Vendor. During our  
8 review, we spoke with the Inspector  
9 General of the City of Chicago and the  
10 City of New York to obtain as much as  
11 information as we could so we can share  
12 that with this Body.

13 At the point, I'm going to hand it  
14 over to Ned Schwartz because he has been  
15 working very hard on this.

16 DEPUTY INSPECTOR GENERAL SCHWARTZ:  
17 Good afternoon. This is Ned Schwartz,  
18 DIG.

19 Presently, the Vendor is under an  
20 Independent Monitored Agreement with New  
21 York City in connection with a number of  
22 traffic cameras, pole mounted traffic  
23 cameras that were installed by one of  
24 it's own subsidiaries. Long story short,  
25 issues came to light about improper

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2 installation of some of these cameras.

3 Initially, 12 locations revealed 12 of  
4 the 12 were not done correctly.

5 Subsequently, the Vendor engaged an  
6 engineering firm to do broader check and  
7 it was discovered that of the 749 camera  
8 poles check, inspected, 485, which is  
9 just under 65% were done improperly.

10 We understand the Vendor started  
11 remediation work subsequent to that. In  
12 March of this year, the Vendor in the  
13 City of New York entered into a  
14 Monitorship Agreement whereby, the  
15 Vendor's remediation work as well as  
16 future installation work were going to be  
17 overseen by an independent engineering  
18 monitor. That is ongoing.

19 We understand that the Vendor has  
20 been in compliance thus far with the  
21 Monitorship Agreement. We would note  
22 that per the terms of the agreement, the  
23 monitor is required to provide oversight  
24 for 25% of the remediation and 25% of the  
25 new installation work.

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2 We are in contact with the Chicago  
3 IG. Some of the information is not  
4 obtainable, we also understand that the  
5 Vendor has indicated that it would share  
6 with you the agreement it reached with  
7 the City of Chicago, but only if you  
8 could somehow ensure the confidentiality  
9 of that agreement. It is a matter of  
10 public record that the City of Chicago  
11 OIG did conduct an investigation  
12 pertaining to the Vendor's attribution of  
13 an endorsement by a Chicago City  
14 Official, which was not something that it  
15 should have done. The Vendor did not  
16 provide a copy of the Chicago IG report.  
17 It did not agree, apparently, with  
18 everything said. The City and the Vendor  
19 entered into a two year Administrative  
20 Oversight Agreement, which is,  
21 essentially, an agreement not to do  
22 anything wrong for those two years. That  
23 would be, essentially, a deferred  
24 situation. The vendor successfully  
25 completed the two year period with no

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2 adverse activities, so that agreement is  
3 now expired.

4 Can we answer any questions?

5 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Any  
6 questions for the IG Office?

7 Legislator Drucker?

8 LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: Presiding  
9 Officer, I have a question for the  
10 administration, not necessarily for the  
11 IG.

12 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Yes.

13 LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: Perhaps Mr.  
14 Cleary can stop up?

15 MR. CLEARY: Robert Clearly. Chief  
16 Procurement and Compliance Officer.

17 LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: Firstly, I do  
18 have a question of the IG's Office. Are  
19 you committed to implementing the  
20 Monitoring Program, or monitoring  
21 situation if this contract is approved?

22 INSPECTOR GENERAL FRANZESE:  
23 Legislator Drucker, after we had our  
24 findings, we briefed both the Majority  
25 and the Minority Counsel's Office, but we

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2 also briefed the Administration and  
3 indicated that in our view, a heightened  
4 level of scrutiny with respect to this  
5 contract may be a good idea for the  
6 County. During the discussion, it was my  
7 understanding that the Administration was  
8 not dismissing that out of hand that,  
9 perhaps, heightened scrutiny may be a  
10 good idea.

11 LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: Okay. So then  
12 I have a question for Mr. Cleary.

13 If that is in fact what is going to  
14 go forward, how do you plan on  
15 implementing that? Will it be part of  
16 the contract, will it be memorialized in  
17 the contract?

18 MR. CLEARY: Okay. We agree that  
19 some additional scrutiny, given the  
20 history of the Vendor, is warranted. The  
21 issues that occurred on the previous  
22 contract are not exactly equivalent to  
23 the services that are going to performed  
24 here; nevertheless, there's enough of a  
25 history there for us to take note and to

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2 take some action on that.

3 This is a little bit different, so  
4 there's a number of steps that can be  
5 taken and will be taken with respect to  
6 this contract that will add additional  
7 scrutiny relative to other contracts.

8 The first thing is that every school  
9 bus in New York State is inspected by New  
10 York State DOT every six months,  
11 including the equipment that this Vendor  
12 would be installing using on these buses.  
13 The have already worked with this Vendor,  
14 first in photo busing Broome County. The  
15 did have some issues with the initial  
16 installation. They have dictated an 11  
17 page guide that describes exactly how the  
18 equipment has to be installed. That is  
19 the guide that the company will use on  
20 all buses in the state, including ours.  
21 There is already inspection on every  
22 single bus. It may not happen at the  
23 time of the installation, but it will  
24 happen within within six months. The  
25 entire fleet is constantly being produced

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2 for inspections to the State. That  
3 proves for an additional level of  
4 scrutiny that would not normally be  
5 available on other contracts.

6 Now, this contract does not involve  
7 installing fixtures, such as the poles  
8 that were installed in New York City that  
9 resulted in that particular monitorship.

10 We did speak to the Vendor about  
11 that monitorship. They are not  
12 recommending using that monitorship in  
13 this county. We don't necessarily need  
14 that need particular degree of scrutiny,  
15 on the other hand. We can say our county  
16 has been working with this Vendor,  
17 including installing fixtures, for about  
18 a decade, since 2009 I believe. My  
19 understanding is that our Department of  
20 Public Works has worked very closely in  
21 inspecting those installation, so we have  
22 a relationship in that regard.

23 The remaining elements of the  
24 contract are the services provided and  
25 the revenue process. Now, TPVA will be



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2 reviewing all of the money before the  
3 Vendor is paid. So there is additional  
4 protection in that regard, because  
5 there's no money going to the Vendor  
6 until we've reviewed everything  
7 thoroughly to ensure that every single  
8 amount that's paid to them is correct. I  
9 think Dave can speak to that more  
10 thoroughly.

11 Any other elements of the scrutiny  
12 of the contract that we want to talk  
13 about?.

14 We will working with the Press  
15 Office on the Public Notice and we will  
16 be working with DPW on the signage.

17 Again, two different IG reports from  
18 two different offices, two different  
19 cities. There are obviously concerns; on  
20 the other hand, in both cases, the  
21 Vendor, once put on notice, has performed  
22 acceptably.

23 We have an existing relationship  
24 with the Vendor. We believe they are put  
25 on notice now and we are going to be

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2           scrutinizing this as we go forward. I  
3           think the Department will be willing to  
4           report periodically, and I would be  
5           willing to report as necessary regarding  
6           any findings about the Vendor during the  
7           course of the contract.

8           LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: So, is this  
9           type of what you now call this type of  
10          scrutiny, is that satisfactory to the  
11          IG's office based on their findings have  
12          been; is this satisfactory to the IG's  
13          office?

14          Doesn't sound like there's a great  
15          deal of scrutiny that is going to be  
16          implemented by the County.

17          INSPECTOR GENERAL FRANZESE:  
18          Legislator Drucker, I have to say that  
19          from our discussions with the City of  
20          Chicago and the City of New York, it does  
21          seem clear that the Vendor, once it is  
22          overseen by a little extra level of  
23          scrutiny, the do seem comply. The City  
24          of New York interaction with them was  
25          positive in the sense that they complied

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2 with the Agreement. They did what they  
3 had to do. Same with the City of Chicago  
4 as well. They got through the two years  
5 of Administrative oversight without any  
6 issues. I have no reason to doubt the  
7 Administration and Mr. Cleary,  
8 specifically, I have no reason to doubt  
9 that he will not stay on top of this.  
10 I'm not certain there -- I'm concerned,  
11 but I do believe that this is something  
12 that manageable by the County.

13 LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: That's good.  
14 Listen, I want to commend the IG's Office  
15 for uncovering and do the proper vetting,  
16 because that's what you're entrusted to  
17 do, and we, as a Legislative Body, have  
18 to protect our residents so I'm  
19 appreciative of that. But at the same  
20 time, I don't want to see this contract  
21 delayed. As long as there's proper  
22 scrutiny, I'm okay with it. This  
23 Legislation, it will save lives. It's  
24 designed to protect the safety of  
25 children and families. I know Legislator

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2 Bynoe and myself have worked very hard to  
3 get this legislation passed. It's that  
4 important. To have it slowed down now  
5 would be disastrous. We want to see is  
6 passed and implemented so that the start  
7 of the school year in September, we can  
8 assure the residents in our respective  
9 districts that their children and  
10 themselves are safe.

11 Again, we have an obligation as  
12 legislators to protect our residents and  
13 provide the necessary oversight to all  
14 our contracts. I just want to make sure  
15 that the IG's Office is happy and that  
16 the proper monitoring is sufficient to  
17 oversee this. I'm okay with that.

18 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Here's  
19 my concern with what you just said. It  
20 is a lot of words, but it seems like what  
21 you are saying is we're going to do  
22 everything that we were going to do  
23 beforehand, so we are simply going to do  
24 the same thing. I don't see where  
25 anything you said will provide an

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2 additional level of scrutiny of their  
3 activity. You're simply going to do what  
4 you do with other contracts. That's  
5 basically what you told us.

6 MR. CLEARY: Well, I think that this  
7 contract, because of its very nature, has  
8 additional scrutiny already built into it  
9 through the form of New York State  
10 looking at every single bus every six  
11 months. That doesn't come with any of  
12 our other contracts almost, right. So  
13 you already have a physical inspection of  
14 the equipment to make sure it is  
15 installed properly, to make sure that  
16 it's working properly, and it's on a  
17 regular basis. And we're gonna be in  
18 touch with the State regarding any  
19 deficiencies in that regard. So I don't  
20 think you can say there isn't any  
21 additional scrutiny in what we would  
22 normally do on another contract. Yes,  
23 it's what we would do on this contract,  
24 but that is an additional level of  
25 scrutiny.

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2 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: If I  
3 made that reference, that was not  
4 correct, but it seems as if, again, with  
5 this extra stage of scrutiny, the  
6 scrutiny they're going to get is exactly  
7 the same they were going to get before  
8 the IG's report. What level of comfort  
9 do we have that they're getting the  
10 scrutiny they should get, the additional  
11 scrutiny?

12 MR. CLEARY: Well, we've already had  
13 this discussion with the Vendor. They  
14 understand that we are going to be  
15 monitoring this performance more closely  
16 than we would on other contracts. We've  
17 offered to report back however often you  
18 would want us to to ensure that. If, in  
19 fact, there is a reason to institute a  
20 monitorship, then, certainly, we will  
21 insist on that.

22 If there is a failure on the  
23 performance, if there's a failure on any  
24 of those obligations -- one of the other  
25 recommendations that wasn't spoken to

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2 from the Inspector General's Office was  
3 having a checklist of deliverables and  
4 TPVA will be putting together and using  
5 that scrupulously on this particular  
6 contract.

7 Again, they have not had any  
8 indication of financial or performance  
9 other than those that were described.  
10 Those particular problems do not relate  
11 to this particular contract, but because  
12 of all that's been found, all that's been  
13 discussed, the fact that they are under a  
14 monitorship in New York City, we are on  
15 notice that we need to make sure that we  
16 look at this more closely than other  
17 contracts.

18 Now, we do have an ongoing  
19 relationship with the Vendor, so we don't  
20 expect any problems. Again, these  
21 services are materially different than  
22 those that they had problem with. We've  
23 actually had some of those services and  
24 had not had a problem.

25 So I agree with you that this is

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2 largely the same implementation process  
3 that we would us, but we don't have this  
4 conversation with everyone here about  
5 other contracts. We don't have this  
6 conversation with the Vendor themselves,  
7 we've already discussed the possibility  
8 of having a monitorship, and if we find  
9 that's it's necessary, we will go in  
10 direction and make sure that that happens  
11 if it's warranted.

12 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Have  
13 you checked into this Administrative  
14 Oversight Agreement that they apparently  
15 have with the City of Chicago? It seems  
16 like a lesser -- it seems like additional  
17 scrutiny, but not to the extent of a  
18 monitor. Have you considered that? Have  
19 you raised that possibility with the  
20 Vendor?

21 MR. CLEARY: I haven't spoken to  
22 them about that, but we can certainly do  
23 that. I mean, that was an internal  
24 Chicago process. We don't have quite the  
25 same process, but it doesn't mean that we



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2 couldn't also take that as an additional  
3 interim step, absolutely. I think the  
4 Vendor would agree to something along  
5 those lines.

6 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
7 Legislator Walker, did you have a  
8 question?

9 LEGISLATOR WALKER: I just agree  
10 with Presiding Officer. Who would we  
11 even have in the County that was able to  
12 make sure that this -- one of the  
13 problems was the way things were wired or  
14 something like that; we have somebody who  
15 is able to do that?

16 MR. CLEARY: Well, as I said, the  
17 work is being inspected by the State.  
18 State. They're really the, I think, the  
19 subject matter experts in this regard.  
20 We'll have a functional familiarity with  
21 the use and installation of the  
22 equipment, but we are relying on the  
23 State in that regard.

24 The State is already worked very  
25 closely with this Vendor and the Vendor

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2 understands what the State's obligations  
3 are and so that gives us some reason to  
4 believe that we're in better hands in  
5 that regard than we would be otherwise.

6 LEGISLATOR WALKER: I mean, like I  
7 said, I'm very much in favor of this  
8 legislation. I hear constantly from my  
9 residents regarding this issue.

10 I guess a part of me doesn't see  
11 that we, as a county, already are gonna  
12 have much more scrutiny of, as our  
13 Presiding Officer said, than what's  
14 already being done by the State, and the  
15 Vendor, hopefully, learned it's lesson  
16 and is doing the right thing.

17 MR. CLEARY: Well, I'm certainly  
18 going to be working closely with Dave on  
19 this contract, with TPVA on this  
20 contract. So I, personally, am going to  
21 have more scrutiny on this contract than  
22 I would on almost any other contract  
23 because of the way this has started and  
24 the nature of it and who's impacted by  
25 it. I, personally, know that I am going

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2 to be looking at it a lot more closely  
3 than some other contracts.

4 We will discuss with the Vendor the  
5 interim suggested level of scrutiny and I  
6 will report back on that, if that's  
7 what's desired.

8 LEGISLATOR FORD: Good afternoon.  
9 The contract is one thing, but I think  
10 that some of the issues raised had to do  
11 with the installation. And, I guess,  
12 Rose was even talking about the wiring of  
13 some of this equipment that they didn't  
14 do it properly in New York City or  
15 Chicago, or did I miss something here?

16 MR. CLEARY: Well, that was the  
17 wiring in the New York City posts. I  
18 should point out that the issues in New  
19 York City were raised by the Vendor and  
20 brought to the City's attention, which is  
21 a good sign. It's not good that what  
22 happened, happened. But at least when  
23 they found the problem, they did come  
24 forward and admit it.

25 LEGISLATOR FORD: I would say that,

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2 I know the State will do their  
3 investigating and do their inspections,  
4 but I think with something like this  
5 that's so important to us, because we  
6 want to make sure that this program --  
7 you know, I support it -- I want to make  
8 sure it's working properly for the  
9 benefit, especially, of our students, the  
10 kids on the buses and stuff like that.  
11 If we rely just upon the State to do all  
12 the inspections, I think it would behoove  
13 us to try to get somebody within the  
14 County to have some working knowledge of  
15 how these school bus arms operate and to  
16 make sure that we, ourselves, can do our  
17 own inspections at times to make sure  
18 things are installed properly and working  
19 properly instead of always waiting for  
20 the State. Is this any way of achieving  
21 that?

22 MR. CLEARY: I think we'll have to  
23 talk to the State about that. Perhaps,  
24 we can -- I don't know if we can  
25 coordinate with them to have somebody

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2 demonstrate what they're looking for so  
3 we can have some internal capacity.  
4 That's a fair point.

5 LEGISLATOR FORD: Yeah. I mean, to  
6 rely on the State is crazy. This is very  
7 important. We've been waiting a long time  
8 for this.

9 Thank you.

10 MR. CLEARY: I'm sure we'll have the  
11 ability along with the bus fleet  
12 operators to be able to test the  
13 equipment ourselves to ensure that it's  
14 working, functioning properly, and at  
15 least some of the installation we might  
16 be able to inspect. But we're not the  
17 subject matter experts, as I said, so we  
18 would need some guidance in that regard.

19 LEGISLATOR FORD: Because if  
20 somebody gets a ticket and they want to  
21 go to court to say they got it  
22 incorrectly, who does the inspection on  
23 the school bus that created the ticket?  
24 Who goes out to verify that that is  
25 working properly and that that person

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2 wasn't ticketed incorrectly?

3 MR. CLEARY: As I said, the fleet  
4 operators are, presumably, inspecting the  
5 buses every day before they go out. I  
6 would have to believe that was the case.

7 LEGISLATOR FORD: They probably  
8 would need to be sort of trained or  
9 brought up to speed to understand how the  
10 equipment works and how it's installed,  
11 correct?

12 MR. CLEARY: Yes. There does have  
13 to be a basic functional knowledge of the  
14 equipment and the operations, absolutely.

15 LEGISLATOR FORD: All right. Thank  
16 you.

17 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
18 Legislator DeRiggi-Whitton and then  
19 Legislator Gaylor.

20 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: Okay.  
21 Do we know if the State actually looks at  
22 the speed (sic) cameras as part of their  
23 inspection?

24 MR. CLEARY: Yes. I've been told  
25 that by the supervisor of the office.

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LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: Okay.  
And they look at it for working and  
accuracy and everything else, the State?

MR. CLEARY: They inspect that it's  
been installed properly and operating  
properly.

LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: Okay.  
We were just discussing it with Counsel  
and I think we're in an opportunity where  
we could require ATS to hire an  
independent monitor to do spot checks or  
somehow keep an eye on it; why don't we  
require that as terms of this contract?

MR. CLEARY: Well, we can have that  
discussion with them again.

LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: Well,  
maybe we should do it as part of this --  
I mean, I know we would have to amend the  
contract, but before we -- I mean, I  
don't want to delay it either, but on the  
other hand, I think we should put  
something in that says that we're  
requiring them, ATS -- they have this  
record, they're the ones who have the

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2 obligation to hire a subcontractor to do  
3 periodic checks and report to the County.

4 MR. CLEARY: As I said, we did have  
5 the discussion about Schwartz Engineering  
6 (phonetic). At the time, they were  
7 resisting to that, and they did point out  
8 that New York State is looking at  
9 everyone of these buses.

10 As far as the installation and  
11 operation, I think that is a significant  
12 degree of scrutiny that we don't, as I  
13 said, usually have on these contracts.  
14 If we find there's other performance  
15 problems or that there are even issues in  
16 that regard, then it certainly would be  
17 warranted to continue its services.

18 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: I think  
19 we should take the proactive road and  
20 just demand that they agree to hiring at  
21 least for a year or so, whatever time we  
22 feel comfortable. I mean, they're coming  
23 to us with a little bit of a botched  
24 record and we're giving them the benefit  
25 of the doubt. I think it is okay. I



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2 think it's understandable that the County  
3 wants to move forward with this, but I  
4 also think it's not out of the realm of  
5 reality to tell them that they have to  
6 hire an independent contractor to report  
7 to us.

8 MR. CLEARY: Well, I will say,  
9 again, we have a 10 year relationship  
10 with the Vendor with acceptable  
11 performance. The issue in New York City,  
12 the allowed to occur, but they did raise  
13 it and they are correcting it, obviously.

14 The issue in Chicago is, presumably,  
15 not something that's going to happen  
16 here, we'll have to watch for that, and  
17 obviously not the primary work of the  
18 contract.

19 This is not a situation that is as  
20 clear cut as some other contracts where  
21 we have mandated the hiring of an  
22 integrity monitor. I think the reason  
23 the Inspector General -- if I may put  
24 words in their mouths, perhaps -- I think  
25 the reason the Inspector General's Office

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2 is suggesting additional scrutiny is  
3 because there's a recognition that we're  
4 not saying there's an integrity problem  
5 here that clearly needs a monitor to be  
6 able to do business with them. I mean,  
7 right now, we are already doing business  
8 with them.

9 I think it is something that does  
10 warrant additional scrutiny, it does  
11 warrant a heightened level of awareness  
12 of what they're doing and making sure  
13 they're actually checking every box in  
14 their deliverables. I haven't come to  
15 the conclusion that an integrity monitor  
16 is the right course at this time for this  
17 contract.

18 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: Yeah.  
19 More of an engineering. It's not that  
20 we're questioning them abiding by the  
21 contract, we're questioning their actual  
22 ability to do the work correctly. It  
23 would be more of an engineering expert  
24 that would come in and do a report. I  
25 don't think it would even be that costly.

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2 Even if it's not every bus, I think we  
3 should do our due diligence and take a  
4 certain amount of the buses every six  
5 months and really have somebody look at  
6 them.

7 MR. CLEARY: It just was suggested  
8 that I point out that the subsidiary that  
9 did the work in New York City is not  
10 going to be doing the work on this  
11 contract, so we don't have that concern.

12 As far as, again, the technical  
13 review of the installation, New York  
14 State is doing that. Even if they're not  
15 doing every single bus before it goes on  
16 the road, they are going to be doing  
17 these on a regular basis and they're  
18 going to see if there's an issue.  
19 They're gonna identify that pretty  
20 quickly. It's not like it's out of the  
21 question to have a separate private  
22 Vendor inspect the work as well, but I  
23 don't think that's really where our  
24 concerns are likely to fall in this  
25 particular contract. They've done other

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2 work for us and it's been considered to  
3 be acceptable, good work.

4 I think that the remedy that you're  
5 suggesting is, perhaps, not the ideal way  
6 to address the concerns that we have. I  
7 think the concerns that we have need to  
8 be addressed by vigorously enforcing the  
9 terms of the contract and by documenting  
10 that and by ensuring that every other  
11 element of the contract works well, as  
12 well as coordinating with New York State  
13 to make sure the equipment is installed  
14 and operating correctly.

15 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: I guess  
16 our level of comfort is a little  
17 different. I just think when something  
18 is brought to our attention as a  
19 potential problem -- it's an important  
20 contract for us, because we all want to  
21 do the right thing for the safety of the  
22 kids. I don't want to see something go  
23 wrong that would in any way hamper this  
24 program.

25 We're not asking them to spend a ton

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2 of money and we're not asking for a huge  
3 amount of inconvenience of their time or  
4 the buses. I just think it kind of sends  
5 a message that if you want to do business  
6 in Nassau County and we have questions,  
7 we're gonna come down on you and you're  
8 the one that's gonna have to pay for it.  
9 I think that's how we should approach it.  
10 They should pay for it. This shouldn't be  
11 a County expense to hire an engineer, I  
12 think it should be this company.

13 I don't know if we can amend a  
14 contract at this point, but I like that  
15 idea. Again, it sends a message to  
16 companies.

17 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
18 Legislator Gaylor, did you want to add  
19 anything?

20 LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: Thank you,  
21 Presiding Officer.

22 Just a couple of quick questions.  
23 Is this same Vendor that Suffolk  
24 currently uses?

25 MR. RICH: No, it is not.

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2 LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: Thank you, Mr.  
3 Rich.

4 Second, how will we know if there's  
5 a failure.

6 MR. RICH: For the most part, if we  
7 don't retrieve any images or events  
8 captured for the day, then we would know  
9 that the camera is off line.

10 LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: Okay. Very  
11 good. I'm gonna come back to that in a  
12 sec.

13 What does the State inspect every  
14 six months, is a vehicle inspection, akin  
15 of the annual inspection, a personal  
16 motor vehicle or will it include  
17 inspection of the cameras, and are we for  
18 sure that the State is inspecting the  
19 cameras, video, mounting, wiring, the  
20 components, there's a proper imaging; do  
21 we know for a fact?

22 MR. CLEARY: As I said, I said to  
23 the supervisor of the unit today and he  
24 assured me, yes, they do inspect everyone  
25 of these cameras when the bus comes in as

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2 part of the inspection, including the  
3 operation of the equipment, making sure  
4 it's installed properly according to the  
5 guidelines.

6 Again, they did have to come up with  
7 an 11 page direction to the Vendor on how  
8 to install these things properly, so it's  
9 very clear what they told the Vendor what  
10 to do, the Vendor understands that and  
11 it's very clear on what they're going to  
12 find acceptable and what they're not  
13 going to find acceptable.

14 LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: Okay. Got it.  
15 Thank you.

16 Coming back, Mr. Rich, to knowing if  
17 there's a failure. So I get a ticket,  
18 school bus ticket. I go to court. How  
19 are you gonna prove the case? Is there  
20 is a daily calibration check? Is there  
21 an Affidavit from the Vendor on a daily  
22 basis for every ticket? How are we gonna  
23 do it; is it similar to the red light  
24 cameras, or is it a different kind of  
25 process? Can you just walk me through

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2 that so I fell comfortable?

3 MR. RICH: I would actually have to  
4 check. On the red light camera, we know  
5 that there's a system start up and check  
6 and it does a self-diagnosis. If it goes  
7 off line, it automatically alerts the  
8 Vendor. I have not gotten into the  
9 details, unfortunately, with the school  
10 bus stop arm on how that's done and how  
11 the system starts up, so I would have to  
12 get back to you on that information.

13 It's not similar to the school speed zone  
14 camera where there's an affidavit by the  
15 deployment, who installed it, if it was a  
16 mobile unit and whether it was deployed  
17 correctly. We're not at that level and I  
18 don't see any requirement for that type  
19 of information, but I will get back to  
20 use on what we use or what the Vendor  
21 would use to ensure that the system is  
22 currently operating. I know that they  
23 use the same type of cell service, so we  
24 will be able to tell if it goes offline.  
25 As far as the bus operator/driver, if



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2 they see something visibly, they will  
3 report it immediately and we will know  
4 that something is wrong with the camera.  
5 If there is nothing visibly that you can  
6 see that the system is offline, we would  
7 have to refer to or rely to the systems  
8 themselves to tell us the camera is  
9 offline.

10 LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: So we would have  
11 sufficient evidentiary basis to prosecute  
12 somebody who gets a violation and wants  
13 to challenge it?

14 MR. RICH: My goal is yes. I will  
15 have to look into that for you.

16 LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: Okay. If you  
17 would, please. I know we have the  
18 probationary period we'll call it, so we  
19 have some time; if you could and just let  
20 us know. Appreciate it.

21 Thank you, gentlemen, ladies.

22 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Anyone  
23 else?

24 Legislator Drucker?

25 LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: Just a real

1  
2 quick question. Thank you, Presiding  
3 Officer.

4 Mr. Cleary, would you be able to  
5 commit -- as a way of satisfying our  
6 concerns raised here, would you be able  
7 to commit to doing a six month or one  
8 year performance evaluation to see how  
9 it's going, this way we don't have to  
10 amend the contract. The Administration  
11 just do an internal performance  
12 evaluation every six months or every  
13 year?

14 MR. CLEARY: Yes. I believe we  
15 accommodate that.

16 LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: And this way,  
17 we wouldn't have to amend the contract.

18 MR. CLEARY: I think it makes sense  
19 to do anyway under the circumstances.

20 LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: Okay. I'm okay  
21 with that.

22 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO:  
23 Legislator Birnbaum?

24 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: In accordance  
25 to that, when we're giving the 60 day

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2 preliminary, sort of, trial period, can  
3 we also find out how it's working? You  
4 would have that information on how many  
5 tickets, violations have been noted.  
6 Wouldn't we get an early signal at the  
7 beginning?

8 MR. CLEARY: Yes.

9 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: So you could  
10 give us a report after 60 days when each  
11 school system enacts this, then we can  
12 see how it's playing out and then get  
13 another report maybe six months or a year  
14 later.

15 MR. CLEARY: Sure.

16 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: I  
17 share the concerns that Legislator  
18 DeRiggi-Whitton has; however, I would  
19 like to see something, perhaps, short of  
20 amending the contract.

21 My suggestion is that we table this  
22 for today. I will recess the meeting. We  
23 will come back in two weeks for the  
24 Committees and take it up at that time.  
25 This way, Mr. Cleary, it gives you time.

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2 We had just gotten the IG's report. It  
3 gives you time to speak to the Vendor and  
4 maybe develop a plan to satisfy all or  
5 our concerns.

6 MR. CLEARY: Understood.

7 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: So it  
8 will be two weeks. We have our Committee  
9 on July 12, a recess today, and we will  
10 just bring this contract back up.

11 Motion to table.

12 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: So moved.

13 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Who  
14 was that? Legislator Rhoads, makes a  
15 motion to table. Seconded by Legislator  
16 DeRiggi-Whitton. All in favor of  
17 tabling, signify by saying, "Aye".

18 PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Aye.

19 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Aye.

20 LEGISLATOR FORD: Aye.

21 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: Aye.

22 LEGISLATOR SOLAGES: Aye.

23 LEGISLATOR MULE: Aye.

24 LEGISLATOR GAYLOR: Aye.

25 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: Aye.

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LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: Aye.

LEGISLATOR KENNEDY: Aye.

LEGISLATOR MCKEVITT: Aye.

LEGISLATOR SCHAEFER: Aye.

LEGISLATOR FERRETTI: Aye.

LEGISLATOR WALKER: Aye.

LEGISLATOR LAFAZAN: Aye.

LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Aye.

LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: Aye.

PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Those  
opposed?

LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: Nay.

(Whereupon, Presiding  
Officer clarifies Ayes and  
Nays.)

PRESIDING OFFICER NICOLELLO: Passes  
by vote of 17 to 1, the motion to table.

I'm going to put this meeting to  
recess and we will be calling it again in  
two weeks.

(Whereupon, above item is  
tabled, meeting is kept open;  
meeting to recess, 6:36 p.m.)

## C E R T I F I C A T E

STATE OF NEW YORK                    )  
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I, KAREN LORENZO, a Notary Public for and  
within the State of New York, do hereby  
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That the above is a correct transcription  
of my stenographic notes.

I further certify that I am not related  
to any of the parties to this action by blood  
or by marriage and that I am in no way  
interested in the outcome of this matter.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set  
my hand this 28st day of June, 2021.

*Karen Lorenzo*

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NASSAU COUNTY LEGISLATURE

FULL LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE  
(Reconvened from 6-28-21)

RICHARD NICOLELLO,  
Presiding Officer

1550 Franklin Avenue  
Mineola, New York

Monday, July 12, 2021  
1:34 P.M.

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2     A P P E A R A N C E S:3     RICHARD NICOLELLO,  
4         Presiding Officer5     HOWARD KOPEL,  
6         Alternate Deputy Presiding Officer7     DENISE FORD,  
8         Alt. Deputy Presiding Officer

9     STEVEN RHOADS

10    DEBRA MULE

11    C. WILLIAM GAYLOR III

12    VINCENT MUSCARELLA

13    ELLEN BIRNBAUM

14    LAURA SCHAEFER (Not present)

15    THOMAS MCKEVITT

16    KEVAN ABRAHAMS,  
17         Minority Leader

18    ROSE MARIE WALKER

19    JOHN FERRETTI, JR.

20    JOSHUA LAFAZAN

21    ARNOLD DRUCKER (Not present)

22    JAMES KENNEDY

23    DELIA DERIGGI-WHITTON

24    CARRIE SOLAGES

25    SIELA BYNOE

26    MICHAEL PULITZER,  
27         Clerk of the Legislature

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2 CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Let me  
3 reconvene the June 28th meeting. We  
4 will start with the Pledge of  
5 Allegiance which will be lead by  
6 Legislator Vincent Muscarella.

7 (Whereupon, the Pledge of  
8 Allegiance was recited.)

9 CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: We have four  
10 items to be considered by emergency  
11 today and reading the information, the  
12 resolutions, it will take a while to  
13 read the resolutions themselves, so I  
14 would ask the minority to consent to  
15 waiving the reading of the emergencies.

16 Agreed to by Minority Leader  
17 Abrahams.

18 So with respect to Clerk Items  
19 250, 251, 252, 253, we will need a  
20 motion to establish the emergency.

21 LEGISLATOR FERRETTI: So moved.

22 LEGISLATOR MULE: Second.

23 CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Moved by  
24 Legislator Ferretti, seconded by  
25 Legislator Mule. All in favor of

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2 establishing the emergency signify by  
3 saying aye.

4 (Aye.)

5 Those opposed?

6 (No verbal response.)

7 The emergencies are established.  
8 Now I guess we have to call the items.

9 LEGISLATOR FORD: So moved.

10 LEGISLATOR MUSCARELLA: Second.

11 CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Moved by  
12 Legislator Ford, seconded by Legislator  
13 Muscarella. That puts all four of  
14 these items before us and is there  
15 someone from the administration who is  
16 here to speak on them?

17 MR. SALLIE: Good afternoon,  
18 legislators. Sean Sallie, Deputy  
19 Commissioner of Nassau County,  
20 Department of Public Works.

21 I'm here today to describe and  
22 answer any questions regarding the four  
23 proposed requests for authorization to  
24 amend contracts with relation to the  
25 county's ARP funding implementation

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2 plan.

3 The four authorization  
4 resolutions pertain to departments  
5 and/or agencies, Office of the Aging,  
6 Office of the Youth Services,  
7 Department of Social Services and  
8 Office of Mental Health.

9 These four packages are meant to  
10 allocate and program a portion of the  
11 county's ARP funds and specifically the  
12 portion that was appropriated two weeks  
13 ago again at approximately \$60 million  
14 into existing contracts that the county  
15 has with certain service providers that  
16 work in the space of health and human  
17 services and social services that are  
18 consistent with the mission of the ARP  
19 funds and the federal authorization.

20 As you will see in the  
21 resolutions, there are a number of  
22 contracts that pertain to each one of  
23 these offices or divisions that would  
24 be granted additional funds and  
25 additional scope again to perform

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2 services to aid the public in COVID-19  
3 pandemic recovery.

4 I'm happy to sort of explain how  
5 the intent or the plan for how these  
6 funds will roll out to these  
7 contractors as well as other vendors  
8 that may want to do business with or  
9 contract with the county to provide  
10 these services, but I will first just  
11 get into a little more detail with you  
12 of each one of these authorization  
13 resolutions.

14 I will start with the Department  
15 of Social Services. There are  
16 currently 19 contracts with 14 distinct  
17 vendors. The authorization would allow  
18 the administration to increase the  
19 current funding amounts of each one of  
20 those contracts from between 10 percent  
21 and 20 percent of their existing  
22 contract amounts. Those funds would be  
23 solely ARP sourced totalling  
24 approximately \$1.16 million.

25 Office of the Aging, there are 31

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2           contracts with 16 distinct vendors/not  
3           for profits. Funding would be  
4           increased in various amounts based on  
5           those individual vendor capacities.  
6           Again those funds would be specifically  
7           ARP sourced and, in aggregate, they  
8           total to approximately two million.

9                   Office of Youth Services there  
10          are 39 contracts that would be  
11          increased at 20 percent each. All of  
12          that funding is ARP, in aggregate that  
13          ARP tranche is roughly \$6.38 million.

14                  Office of Mental and Behavioral  
15          Health, there are 52 contracts with 36  
16          distinct vendors. Those contracts  
17          would be increased at \$60,000 each in  
18          ARP funds for a total of \$2.16 million  
19          of ARP funding.

20                  So, in aggregate, we're looking  
21          at about \$6.6 million of the \$62  
22          million that was appropriated about two  
23          weeks ago. So about \$6.6 million of  
24          that appropriation to be put into these  
25          contracts again to support the COVID 19



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2 pandemic recovery in the spirit of the  
3 ARP legislation.

4 I can tell you this is only one  
5 step in the process as I'm sure you are  
6 all aware. These contracts would  
7 essentially setup the conduit to allow  
8 the ARP funds to go from the county to  
9 the service provider so that mechanism  
10 would be setup through this  
11 authorization.

12 Each one of these vendors as well  
13 as other vendors who may not have a  
14 current contract in this space with the  
15 county will need to formally apply  
16 through the county's portal that will  
17 be launched very shortly, similar to an  
18 online application format. That portal  
19 will accept applications from these  
20 vendors, again, vendors that currently  
21 have contracts as well as those who do  
22 not, for how they intend to use the  
23 funding.

24 In very specific terms, the cost  
25 to render those services in detail,

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2 whether they are financial or their  
3 capacity and organization, their  
4 financials, so and so forth, that  
5 information will need to be submitted  
6 through this portal so that the county  
7 and its supporting team of compliance  
8 consultants can vet these funding  
9 applications before any funding is  
10 essentially, you know, put out the door  
11 to these vendors.

12 You know, the goal here is to get  
13 that money on the street as quick as  
14 possible and make sure that it stays  
15 out on the street and it doesn't get,  
16 or that it not out on the street,  
17 again, compliance is a major aspect of  
18 this that will be facilitated through  
19 the county's portal but as sort of a  
20 precursor or a first step. The county  
21 is seeking, the administration is  
22 seeking authorization to amend these  
23 existing contracts so again the vehicle  
24 to program and obligate this funding is  
25 created so that they can then, these

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2 organizations, can then apply formally.  
3 I'll mention again, there's  
4 remaining funds in all of these buckets  
5 so that we will be encouraging vendors  
6 who do not currently have a contract  
7 with the county who operate in this  
8 space to apply as well through the same  
9 portal, the same process, for those  
10 applications to be vetted.

11 So I can stop there and I'm happy  
12 to answer any questions of the team  
13 from the county here to get into any  
14 details that you would like but I guess  
15 I will stop here.

16 CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Okay.  
17 Legislator Kopel.

18 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Thank you,  
19 Presiding Officer. Good afternoon,  
20 Sean.

21 MR. SALLIE: Good afternoon.

22 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: So when we met  
23 here a couple of weeks ago when we  
24 first passed these through the  
25 committees, the administration was

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2           going to get back to us with more  
3           information on how the process was  
4           going to go in terms of where the money  
5           was going to go exactly, to which  
6           vendors, and so forth. I haven't seen  
7           anything.

8                   I need some clarifications if you  
9           don't mind. The normal contracting  
10          process is that a contract comes before  
11          the Rules Committee and we examine it.

12                   Is this seeking to avoid that  
13          process to circumvent that process? In  
14          other words, are we simply issuing,  
15          will we be issuing a bum check? You  
16          have got these buckets of money as you  
17          call it and you can simple just  
18          distribute it as you want?

19                   MR. SALLIE: So my understanding  
20          is some of these DSS and HHS contracts  
21          have come before the legislature, some  
22          do not as I understand just based on  
23          the county's process and requirements,  
24          but the request here is to authorize  
25          the County Executive to increase

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2 essentially the maximum amount in each  
3 of these contracts.

4 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Right. I got  
5 get that but, as I said, that is not  
6 how we work here.

7 MR. SALLIE: I think the --

8 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: I mean, if you  
9 want to increase these contracts that  
10 we all have to look at, why don't you  
11 do it that way?

12 MR. SALLIE: I've been given the  
13 urgency to get the funds on the street  
14 and in the, you know, in the --

15 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Well, we'll  
16 look at it.

17 MR. SALLIE: But I think grouping  
18 these contracts by agency by existing  
19 contracts I think there is the  
20 opportunity to bundle them, make sure  
21 that there's scrutiny by the  
22 Legislature so it's clear what the  
23 funds can be used for the eligibility  
24 buckets and the maximum amount.

25 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: The scrutiny

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2 would only be for the buckets, it would  
3 not be for individual contracts, that's  
4 a blank check?

5 MR. SALLIE: Legislator, it would  
6 be for the individual contracts. There  
7 is an attachment to the resolution in  
8 the form of a spreadsheet listing all  
9 of the contracts, their existing  
10 maximum amounts, their terms and then  
11 the proposed additional ARP funds for  
12 each of those contracts.

13 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: And what about  
14 for new vendors?

15 MR. SALLIE: Right. Well, we  
16 don't have contracts yet. We will be  
17 soliciting you know those vendors to  
18 apply, but I would defer to the county  
19 attorney and my colleagues here with  
20 respect to -- for vendors that we do  
21 not currently have contracts with,  
22 would those contracts come before the  
23 Legislature. My understanding is --

24 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: It would be  
25 less to some extent. I mean we are not

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2           looking at anything specific, well,  
3           actually, we are, as you said. How  
4           much of the money will be set aside for  
5           the new vendors?

6                   MR. SALLIE: I can go through  
7           each of the tranches of the  
8           suballocations. So for the behavioral  
9           health support, we are proposing,  
10          obligating roughly \$2.1 million so  
11          roughly \$1.2 million would be  
12          remaining.

13                   Explanation of youth services, we  
14          are planning on obligating  
15          approximately \$1.2 million. There  
16          would be about 122,000 remaining.

17                   LEGISLATOR KOPEL: That's not  
18          much.

19                   MR. SALLIE: The explanation of  
20          the Office of Aging Programs, there are  
21          about \$2 million being obligated.  
22          About 60,000 remaining.

23                   Then Health and Social Services  
24          grant programs, we started with \$10  
25          million. We are seeking to obligate

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2                   about \$1.1 million and it would be  
3                   about \$8.8 million.

4                   LEGISLATOR KOPEL:   I'm sorry,  
5                   what was that last category?

6                   MR. SALLIE:   Health and Social  
7                   Services.   So that's your DSS.

8                   LEGISLATOR KOPEL:   So what we're  
9                   saying is that it seems like what's the  
10                  only bucket in which there's any  
11                  significant money available for  
12                  applicants?

13                  MR. SALLIE:   Behavioral health  
14                  support is about 1.2 million.   So of  
15                  the 17.9 million that has been  
16                  appropriated for this program, this  
17                  tranche, about 11.2 million would  
18                  remain for vendors who currently do not  
19                  have a contract with us in this space.

20                  LEGISLATOR KOPEL:   And how fast  
21                  would the administration be able to  
22                  review and deal with the new vendors as  
23                  they come in through this portal, is  
24                  the portal done?

25                  MR. SALLIE:   So the portal is



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2 complete. It's undergoing some final  
3 tweaks by our IT department and final  
4 compliance checks by our consultants.  
5 We want to make sure that once its  
6 live, you know, it's what it should be  
7 and that we don't have to go back and  
8 adjust it, but it is complete and we  
9 expect to have it on the street in the  
10 next couple of days.

11 It's actually a pretty simple  
12 portal, generated by our IT department,  
13 simple online form. It's about four  
14 pages of form, but, again, it's very  
15 straightforward and we expect to have  
16 it out on the street in the next couple  
17 of days.

18 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Okay. Thank  
19 you.

20 MR. SALLIE: And then, if I may,  
21 expand on that, that portal will be the  
22 intake for the program applications.  
23 There will be a robust portal for that  
24 back and forth once those applications  
25 are submitted for the vetting process,

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2 vetting the application the statement  
3 of work or scope of work to make sure  
4 clients with ARP, but also vetting the  
5 contractor or the vendor in accordance  
6 with the county.

7 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: And how  
8 quickly do you anticipate getting  
9 those, getting that vetting process,  
10 the vetting and contracting process  
11 done?

12 MR. SALLIE: Sure. I think there  
13 is an urgency there. I would stop  
14 short of giving a hard deadline but our  
15 focus is on getting the phase one  
16 portal on the street so we can start  
17 collecting these applications, but I  
18 would think in the next couple of weeks  
19 that second portal is operating and  
20 we're reviewing and vetting  
21 applications.

22 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: So you said  
23 you could have had this stuff before  
24 and here I am. All right. So how was  
25 the decision made in terms of

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2 allocating money to existing programs  
3 versus new?

4 MR. SALLIE: So, in consulting  
5 with our with deputy county executives  
6 and their associated department heads,  
7 the capacity of these existing vendors  
8 was taken into account as well as the  
9 funds that they're able to spend,  
10 capacity, right, the funds they are  
11 able to spend in a certain amount of  
12 time. We are trying to get this money  
13 out on the street as quick as possible.

14 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Not only out  
15 on the street but it's got to be  
16 productive. It's easy to get money out  
17 on the street and get it spent.

18 MR. SALLIE: Good point.  
19 Absolutely.

20 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Okay.

21 CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Thank you,  
22 and thank you for the presentation and  
23 I want to congratulate you and your  
24 wife on the birth of your son, Harrison  
25 John.

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2 MR. SALLIE: Thank you very much.  
3 I appreciate it.

4 CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: You look  
5 remarkably awake.

6 MR. SALLIE: I'll let you in on  
7 my secret.

8 CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Legislator  
9 Rhoads and then Legislator Ford.

10 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Thank you,  
11 Presiding Officer. How are you doing,  
12 Sean?

13 MR. SALLIE: Well, how about  
14 yourself?

15 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Good. Just a  
16 couple of quick questions. To Deputy  
17 Presiding Officer Kopel's point, we  
18 were told that these items would come  
19 back to us at the time that we were  
20 actually going to be allocating funds  
21 so that we would be able to review and  
22 look at the specifics regarding the  
23 individual proposals which we didn't  
24 have at the time we considered the  
25 \$62.9 million globally.

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2 One question that we had at the  
3 time and that we still have is, has any  
4 effort been made on the part of the  
5 administration to confirm that the  
6 money that's actually going to be  
7 spent, the functions that are going to  
8 be performed by these individuals  
9 contractors are actually consistent  
10 with the guidelines?

11 MR. SALLIE: Yes, legislator. So  
12 we have a team working on the  
13 compliance aspect of this program.  
14 That team is actually monitoring the  
15 federal guidance to ensure that the  
16 programs that these vendors, the  
17 services that they would provide are in  
18 fact eligible and eligible not only  
19 from a problematic standpoint but also  
20 the beneficiaries of the funds are also  
21 eligible beneficiaries.

22 I think it's a little bit, I  
23 guess complex is not the right word,  
24 but it's complicated because there's  
25 the agency that's authorized to

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2           administer the funds through ARPA and  
3           then there is the end user or  
4           beneficiary that also has to be an  
5           eligible end user.

6                   So we have, again, our team of  
7           compliance reviewing the federal  
8           guidance to make sure that we  
9           understand who exactly and what  
10          organizations are eligible, what types  
11          of actions are eligible so that when we  
12          receive these applications through the  
13          portal, we make sure that that review  
14          process is in line with the compliance.

15                  I can tell you that there are a  
16          few questions that are unresolved in  
17          the latest interim final rule from the  
18          treasury.

19                  The treasury has a deadline of  
20          this Friday to submit questions and we  
21          will be submitting at least two  
22          questions to the treasury for  
23          resolution.

24                  I would imagine there would be  
25          continuous communications with the

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2 treasury to ensure that, you know, any  
3 of these sort of gray areas are  
4 clarified but in total here, we're  
5 really trying to move this or put this  
6 funding in the hands of those who need  
7 it as quick as possible, but at the  
8 same time making sure that the end  
9 users and beneficiaries are in fact  
10 eligible.

11 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: I would have  
12 liked to have had some sort of  
13 confirmation. I know that there is a  
14 process in place whereby they are going  
15 to be reviewing but I would have liked  
16 some affirmation from the  
17 administration as we are voting on it  
18 that it had already been reviewed and I  
19 understand the desire to get the money  
20 out into the hands as quickly as  
21 possible, and we share that desire,  
22 but, for example, in the backup  
23 material, for example, for the portion  
24 for youth services, you know, there is  
25 a list in appendix A of uses for the

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2 money, one of those uses is listed as  
3 suspension disparities student  
4 educational rights.

5 Now I think I know what that  
6 means and I'm not commenting on whether  
7 or not it's a worthy goal of course,  
8 but I don't know how that would be in  
9 any way related to COVID. So you were  
10 being asked today to approve the  
11 contract based on performing this  
12 function, but I have no idea if it's  
13 ever going to be approved and have  
14 those funds to it and how those funds  
15 are to be spend and then have the  
16 federal government turnaround and say,  
17 you can't use it for that, you owe us  
18 back X number of dollars.

19 Do we know what that is and how  
20 are we going to resolve that?

21 MR. SALLIE: We can get that  
22 answer for you absolutely. If I can  
23 just clarify and, I apologize, I should  
24 have mention that up front.

25 The additional scope of services



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2 that are mentioned in these global  
3 resolutions are services that these  
4 providers already are contracted to  
5 deliver so it's sort of the catchall,  
6 if you will, but as you are saying that  
7 particular task may not be ARPA  
8 eligible so when they --

9 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: We have  
10 someone new in the --

11 MS. BOYLAN: My name is Dana  
12 Boylan. I am the executive director of  
13 the Office of Youth Services. I am  
14 happy to answer questions related to  
15 the disparities, educational rights  
16 concerns that you have raised.

17 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: How would it  
18 be related to -- do we know it's  
19 related to COVID?

20 MS. BOYLAN: Our position is that  
21 it is actually, in fact, related.

22 As you know, many kids are, our  
23 youth, are disconnected from schools  
24 and from the educational systems due to  
25 COVID. We have seen the research

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2 across the nation that young people are  
3 disappearing because they have been  
4 taught from home and they have had to  
5 try to acclimate to remote learning.

6 Educational rights has to do with  
7 the right to be educated, to get  
8 services, to actually ensure that your  
9 young person no matter where they are  
10 in the county actually are getting the  
11 educational services that they need.

12 We have agencies that actually  
13 are, an agency in particular that we  
14 currently fund, the Long Island  
15 Advocacy Center, that's strictly  
16 focused on that. These are attorneys.  
17 These are educational advocates that  
18 actually focus on insuring that kids  
19 get computers, they gets books, if they  
20 are disabled that they get the services  
21 needed in the event we have to revert  
22 back to the experience we had in 2020,  
23 or, now that we are returning back to  
24 school, to ensure that they're being  
25 brought up to speed by all the

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2 districts across the county and so  
3 that's what we classify as COVID  
4 recovery related to educational rights.

5 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: I appreciate  
6 that. Thank you for the explanation as  
7 to how it ties into COVID.

8 It may not be a fair question to  
9 ask you, do we know whether all of  
10 these listed scope of work descriptions  
11 have at this point actually, at least a  
12 preliminary review has been undertaken?

13 MS. BOYLAN: Absolutely. I was  
14 actively involved with that. We do  
15 oversight for over 39 not for profits  
16 that we fund.

17 We are a well aware of the gaps  
18 that exist in the county with respect  
19 to kids. We are well aware of the gaps  
20 that have been brought on with respect  
21 to COVID, that COVID has brought on  
22 with respect to youth, and all of our  
23 agencies, those 39 agencies or more  
24 that are to receive the 1.2 or 1.4  
25 million are fully aware of the gaps.

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2 They have been doing this for 30 years.  
3 We do oversight annually with them,  
4 sometimes twice a year.

5 We know what they are coming back  
6 to the table with and we know what they  
7 are saying, that kids are disconnected,  
8 that they're experiencing mental health  
9 issues, experiencing concerns about not  
10 being able to have computers, broad  
11 band. They're experiencing issues  
12 related to simply being at home for  
13 more than a year with little to no  
14 recreational outlets because they have  
15 been confined.

16 So, yes, I was intimately  
17 involved with the determining of those  
18 gaps that we suggest that our agencies  
19 do focus on.

20 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: So at least  
21 as far as youth services is concerned,  
22 you are confident that the scope of  
23 work description as provided is, every  
24 component to the scope of work  
25 description that's provided for youth

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2 services is something that would be ARP  
3 eligible at this point?

4 MS. BOYLAN: Not only are we  
5 confident we actually conferred with  
6 the folks who have been creating the  
7 portal. I was on a call with them and  
8 we went through line by line why these  
9 services are needed. How do they  
10 connect back to COVID recovery.

11 So the question same question you  
12 asked suspension disparities and  
13 educational rights, we vetted and went  
14 through them and I was able to explain,  
15 well, this is why educational rights  
16 and advocacy is important and is  
17 aligned with COVID recovery and ARPA  
18 guidelines.

19 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Thank you. I  
20 appreciate it. This may not be a  
21 question for you, do you we know if the  
22 same analysis is taking place for  
23 example with the Office of the Aging  
24 and with respect to other offices,  
25 agencies, who will be receiving funds?

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2 MS. BOYLAN: Well, respectfully,  
3 our Deputy Commissioner is here and he  
4 can answer directly questions relating  
5 to the Office of the Aging.

6 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Great. Thank  
7 you.

8 MR. MARTINEZ: Good afternoon,  
9 everyone, my name is George Martinez.  
10 Deputy Commissioner, Nassau County  
11 Human Services, Office For the Aging.  
12 Mr. Rhoads, how are you?

13 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Good to see  
14 you.

15 MR. MARTINEZ: With respect to  
16 the Office of the Aging, it's a little  
17 bit different. I have not been  
18 involved in the details of all the  
19 items but it will all fit in in the  
20 means of the centers.

21 As you know, Nassau County is  
22 readily becoming one of the oldest  
23 counties in the country, so what we are  
24 looking at in the center -- sorry I  
25 keep not seeing you there, like the old

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2 TV, you can adjust the channel.

3 So what we are looking at is to  
4 get the seniors back to the centers as  
5 quickly as possible, get them back. As  
6 you can imagine, last year, our seniors  
7 a lot of them lost the basic, just to  
8 get out and socialize. There's a lot  
9 of services so we are looking to make  
10 sure this money is spent not only to  
11 get the seniors back but make sure they  
12 provide the programs including  
13 significantly increase the technology  
14 and services.

15 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: The ultimate  
16 question is, are we confident that the  
17 scope of work and the monies that were  
18 we're actually allocating today will be  
19 eligible under ARP?

20 MR. MARTINEZ: Yes, we are  
21 extremely confident with that and we  
22 are looking closely with the vendor and  
23 the agencies on a daily basis, we are  
24 in contract with our managers to see  
25 what's going on but, most importantly,

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2 what we plan on doing going forward.

3 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: I appreciate  
4 it. Thank you.

5 CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Legislator  
6 Walker.

7 LEGISLATOR WALKER: I really had  
8 just had a question relating to every  
9 aspect of it, but due to COVID many  
10 other children from many other  
11 different school districts, different  
12 senior groups or whatever, those  
13 seniors who don't actually belong to a  
14 senior club or whatever have been  
15 effected drastically. Are they  
16 reaching out to all those other school  
17 districts, you know, maybe they didn't  
18 work with them before but now they need  
19 to, or how are we reaching out to  
20 seniors who don't technically belong to  
21 a senior group or senior club or senior  
22 center? They could benefit also by  
23 what we're doing here.

24 MR. SALLIE: We want to be as  
25 inclusive and expansive as possible.



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2 We do have a process for outreach that  
3 will be put in place as part of ARP to  
4 ensure that those individuals that may  
5 not be connected with a group are  
6 engaged and we do have actual  
7 consultant support for that as well.

8 But I think we could we could use  
9 your assistance in suggesting some ways  
10 that we can do that or help us with  
11 making sure that we're reaching  
12 everyone who needs to be reached.

13 LEGISLATOR WALKER: Because I am  
14 sure there are many out there, again,  
15 students being drastically affected,  
16 and our kids know how to use the  
17 system, there is, you know, many of  
18 them, oh, constantly my camera doesn't  
19 work, my system doesn't work, and have  
20 fallen behind in many ways, and  
21 everything that we can do to bring  
22 everybody up to where they should be.  
23 I would be happy to work with you in  
24 any way that we could.

25 MR. SALLIE: Thank you. We do

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2 have part of the \$62 million, the  
3 assistance to school districts; that's  
4 more on the insuring that they  
5 capitalize on all of the federal  
6 funding that they're entitled to as  
7 part of COVID, but we can certainly  
8 expand that outreach using those  
9 channels to ensure that those students  
10 are part of that of our case as well.

11 LEGISLATOR WALKER: Okay. Thank  
12 you.

13 CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Any other  
14 questions?

15 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: Can  
16 I just ask a question?

17 CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Yes.  
18 Legislator DeRiggi-Whitton.

19 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON:  
20 Congratulations. Do you feel confident  
21 that you will be able to reach other  
22 agencies that don't participant in the  
23 county with the remaining funds?

24 MR. SALLIE: I think we will be.  
25 I think we will be successful. A lot

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2 of stock is being put into this portal  
3 that will be, you know, it will be easy  
4 for us to really publicize that portal  
5 to, you know, last that out to all who  
6 deals within this space. Now that this  
7 is that we are using an online platform  
8 I think that through our outreach  
9 offices and the other organizations  
10 that do work with us, I think we will  
11 be able to cast a very wide net and,  
12 again, the portal will be extremely  
13 simple to utilize. So we're confident  
14 that it will reach broad and wide.

15 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: Just  
16 a suggestion. I printed out something  
17 regarding Boost Nassau businesses  
18 downtown and I have been going into  
19 businesses just to hand it to them. If  
20 you could do something like that and  
21 send it to all 19 of us, I think that  
22 we each know different smaller or maybe  
23 not so small, you know, agencies that  
24 can probably really benefit from this.  
25 If you give us the correct information

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2 to disseminate, I think we can really  
3 help with that effort.

4 MR. SALLIE: Thank you that's a  
5 great suggestion. Thank you,  
6 legislator, I will do that.

7 CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Any other  
8 questions?

9 (No verbal response.)

10 Debate or discussion?

11 (No verbal response.)

12 Hearing none, thank you very  
13 much, Sean, we appreciate it. All in  
14 favor signify by signify aye.

15 (Aye.)

16 Those opposed?

17 (No verbal response.)

18 Those items carry unanimously.

19 There are two items from the  
20 legislative calendar from June 28 that  
21 we are going to take up at this time.  
22 One is Item 7, local law to amend  
23 Article 10 of the Nassau County  
24 administrative code to require written  
25 notification to towns, villages, cities

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2 and school districts of agreements  
3 proposed to be entered into by Nassau  
4 County for the operation of multi unit  
5 shelters. I need a motion to unable.

6 LEGISLATOR WALKER: So moved.

7 LEGISLATOR KENNEDY: Second.

8 CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Moved by  
9 Legislator Walker, seconded by  
10 Legislator Kennedy.

11 All those in favor of untabling  
12 signify by saying aye.

13 (Aye.)

14 Those opposed?

15 (No verbal response.)

16 The item is un-tabled.

17 At the last meeting a  
18 typographical error had been identified  
19 in the legislation that was corrected  
20 or is being corrected by way of an  
21 amendment in the nature of a  
22 substitution, so I need a motion to  
23 amend the items.

24 LEGISLATOR WALKER: So moved.

25 LEGISLATOR KENNEDY: Second.

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2 CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Moved by  
3 Legislator Walker, seconded by  
4 Legislator Kennedy.

5 All those in favor of making this  
6 amendment to correct the typographical  
7 error please signify by saying aye.

8 (Aye.)

9 Those opposed?

10 (No verbal response.)

11 The amendment passes unanimously.

12 Any further debate or discussion  
13 on this item? Legislator Bynoe.

14 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: Can you  
15 specify the amendment, please?

16 CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Yes. I  
17 mean, this amendment was in reference  
18 to a statute I think, it was amended,  
19 which required -- supposed to be an  
20 amendment to a county law or regulation  
21 and was unfortunately there was a  
22 mistake.

23 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: This  
24 specifically deals with the definition  
25 of what is a multi use shelter, right?

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2 CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Yes.

3 Actually we had made that amendment  
4 back on the 28th, so we did give it  
5 more detail and more specificity in  
6 terms of what a multi unit shelter was  
7 but specifically with the amendment we  
8 just passed that.

9 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: Okay. A  
10 typographical error. The question I  
11 have now just for clarity on the  
12 record, is this bill now requires that  
13 every single shelter in Nassau County  
14 must be -- sorry, every single  
15 legislator has to be notified about  
16 every single shelter that's coming into  
17 their district; is that correct?

18 CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: I don't know  
19 if it's every single shelter. I  
20 believe there is a definition according  
21 to this.

22 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: Could we speak  
23 to the definition a little bit, please,  
24 so we understand it?

25 CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: I guess we

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2           can go into a little more detail. The  
3           shelter types are shelters for adults,  
4           small capacity shelters, shelters for  
5           adult families, and shelters for  
6           families as defined by New York State  
7           law. Do you need more detail than  
8           that?

9                   LEGISLATOR BYNOE: So small  
10          capacity shelter, that one I would like  
11          to have further defined.

12                  CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: We are  
13          getting the definition from the regs,  
14          state regs.

15                  LEGISLATOR BYNOE: Thank you.

16                  LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Presiding  
17          Officer, shelter for adults is defined  
18          does not apply to a facility that  
19          houses fewer than 20 small capacity  
20          shelter, less than 20 adults, shelter  
21          for adult families, families that do  
22          not include children under the age of  
23          18, shelter for families, is pregnant  
24          people or families and does not apply  
25          to hotels or motels, at least that



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2           provides something of an overview.  
3           Those are the definitions that we have.

4                   LEGISLATOR BYNOE:   Thank you.   So  
5           here's my concern.

6                   My concern is that when you look  
7           at the shelter structure here in Nassau  
8           County, it's clear to me that there are  
9           communities that have a proliferation  
10          of those type of small shelters and  
11          that are tremendously impactful to the  
12          quality of life of those residents just  
13          as you were concerned about the larger  
14          one that was to me a better situation  
15          than the smaller capacity shelters.  
16          They don't get the direct services that  
17          they need there.

18                   They are tucked into  
19          neighborhoods and I think those should  
20          also, we should be notified for those  
21          as well.   I think they have more impact  
22          in the communities that they're  
23          currently existing, so I don't think  
24          that we should be carving out what a  
25          group of the introducers feel is the

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2 proper environment for shelters.

3 I think if you are going to  
4 advise a legislator about a shelter it  
5 should be all shelters, because I don't  
6 think that moving forward basically  
7 what you are saying is we will never  
8 have a shelter that would provide the  
9 wraparound services to the families  
10 that are necessary for them to succeed  
11 and break the cycle of homelessness.  
12 That's what I'm hearing here today.

13 That we are comfortable just  
14 tucking them into neighborhoods and  
15 leaving them to exist like that.

16 So it is my understanding  
17 originally when this bill was presented  
18 that we were going to make it so that  
19 all shelters were going to be a part of  
20 this bill requiring those.

21 CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Legislator  
22 Walker.

23 LEGISLATOR WALKER: I hear what  
24 you are saying but I disagree. I mean  
25 I don't have a problem being notified

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2 whenever there is a shelter anywhere.

3 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: So you don't  
4 disagree.

5 LEGISLATOR WALKER: Well, I  
6 disagree with the fact that I don't  
7 believe this was never the intent to  
8 not do a shelter as this hotel would  
9 have been, and I truly believe that if  
10 it had gone through the right process  
11 it would open and providing the  
12 services to the families that need it.

13 I do think that we do need  
14 shelters that provide much more than  
15 just a physical building for them to be  
16 in.

17 It breaks my heart to know that  
18 those have been in a motel room with a  
19 mom and three children, that's how they  
20 existed now for three years, and during  
21 COVID, we all know that was difficult  
22 to deal with in your home, but when you  
23 have a small space with four people in  
24 that space it's a very difficult  
25 situation.

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2 Some of them live in shelters  
3 that were also COVID shelters and they  
4 didn't even realize people there could  
5 have had COVID.

6 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: Legislator  
7 Walker, respectfully, I just want to  
8 bring your attention to what was  
9 happening. A single family house where  
10 they put families in rooms, in rooms  
11 where they share bathrooms and they  
12 share the cooking.

13 LEGISLATOR WALKER: I have those  
14 shelters in my community also.

15 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: But there is a  
16 proliferation of them in certain  
17 communities tucked next door to private  
18 residences, and the focus that are here  
19 in large numbers who raised a large  
20 amount of money to make sure that that  
21 shelter in Jericho did not come into  
22 fruition are more worried about their  
23 property values. Those property values  
24 are more impacted than the focus that  
25 would have been in Jericho where there

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2 was no real threat to anyone's home  
3 because it was in a commercial space,  
4 or the one who has a shelter that's  
5 next door to their house.

6 I understand what you guys are  
7 trying to achieve here which is that we  
8 have more transparency to a process.  
9 And I don't disagree with that.

10 I am just saying, if we are going  
11 to do it, let's do it. It's one for  
12 all, all for one. Let's do it for all  
13 the shelters so they can all make sure  
14 that these shelters are all existing in  
15 spaces and communities where they can  
16 have the most access to services and  
17 that we're putting them in safe  
18 positions. I just disagree with this  
19 particular approach.

20 LEGISLATOR WALKER: Like I said,  
21 I just disagree with the part where you  
22 said it was kind of making it so there  
23 would be never be a hotel situation,  
24 again, I disagree. I think this hotel  
25 would be up and running as a shelter if

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2 things were done the right way.

3 Instead it got brought to  
4 litigation because of town codes. They  
5 didn't follow this code and that code  
6 they didn't follow, and, like I said,  
7 that wasn't exactly a safe place for  
8 them to be at that time. When they  
9 said there cooped up people in there  
10 within the two week span of time, there  
11 was an empty pool filled with junk.  
12 Except for the fire department having a  
13 fire call there, they wouldn't have  
14 even realized that.

15 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: I don't even  
16 want to go into what the conditions  
17 were or how they were going to deliver  
18 the building at the time because there  
19 was some time that that building there  
20 was some level of construction. I  
21 don't want to go into that.

22 The point that I am making is if  
23 we are going to have this requirement  
24 it be that the Department of Social  
25 Services provide transparency to the

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2           process. I think it should be across  
3           the whole entire shelter system.

4                   I don't see why we wouldn't  
5           require that.

6                   CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: I think you  
7           are making a good point, Legislator  
8           Bynoe and you may be identifying a need  
9           for transparency for or having a  
10          legislator be notified of these types  
11          of shelters that some of us might not  
12          be aware of. That's a good thing.  
13          That's the whole purpose of this  
14          legislation.

15                  This, however, has been kicking  
16          around for months and what I suggest we  
17          could do is perhaps pass this as  
18          amended and then revisit this, have the  
19          minority and majority counsel speak,  
20          and discuss what other types of  
21          shelters should be included and look to  
22          amend it on the next cycle.

23                  LEGISLATOR BYNOE: No disrespect,  
24          Presiding Officer, I asked for that  
25          specific strategy to take place when we

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2 tabled this the first time. I believe  
3 our counsel followed up with your  
4 counsel but there was no discussion  
5 where there was an opportunity for us  
6 to broach our concerns.

7 So to move this forward today,  
8 why can't we just leave this open and  
9 when we come back in the next meeting,  
10 leave this particular full meeting open  
11 and deal with it then.

12 I think if we are going to do it  
13 let's do it right, let's protect all  
14 the communities, not just protect  
15 certain communities. I think that's  
16 the right way to go forward today.

17 I've sat here before where there  
18 were promises made and we revisit a  
19 bill and it doesn't happen.

20 So I really today I am asking for  
21 this to be tabled and for us to have  
22 this opportunity to sit and work on  
23 this together. We need to protect all  
24 communities.

25 CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: All right.



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2 Well, that's not an unreasonable  
3 request, but I would ask that going  
4 forward, if you feel that your counsel  
5 is not getting the answers that he  
6 wants or there was not enough  
7 conferring on this, that you call one  
8 of us and let us know. I don't think  
9 from our side --

10 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: I didn't know  
11 this was going to be on the table  
12 today. I just did not know we were  
13 going to have it today.

14 CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: I understand  
15 that. From our side there wasn't that  
16 issue but, again, it's not unreasonable  
17 to ask that again. The whole purpose  
18 of this is to provide as much  
19 information as possible to legislators  
20 and community leaders as to these  
21 placements which will allow  
22 legislators, community leaders, to  
23 evaluate and bring information to the  
24 public, and, again, if the community is  
25 being inundated with small shelters, as

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2 you are describing, then it's something  
3 that that legislator and the local  
4 officials are going to want to advocate  
5 and perhaps change.

6 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: We all have a  
7 responsibility to have these shelters  
8 in our community and we just need to  
9 make sure they're placed in locales  
10 where they can have access to transit  
11 and all these other things that make it  
12 a win win situation where we are  
13 providing the services to the families  
14 that are in need. I just think we need  
15 to move forward very deliberately on  
16 how we are going to have that  
17 transparency.

18 CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: I think we  
19 have a meeting on August 2nd.

20 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: Can we do it  
21 on August 2nd.

22 CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Vote and  
23 decide. Motion to table?

24 LEGISLATOR WALKER: So moved.

25 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: Second.

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2 CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Moved by  
3 Legislator Walker, seconded by  
4 Legislator Bynoe.

5 All those in favor of tabling  
6 signify by saying aye.

7 (Aye.)

8 Those opposed?

9 (No verbal response.)

10 The item is tabled.

11 Let's go to Item 24 that is the  
12 resolution authorizing the County  
13 Executive to execute an agreement with  
14 American Traffic Solutions, Inc. d/b/a  
15 Verra Mobility, and two agreements with  
16 school districts in relation to the  
17 county's school bus stop-arm photo  
18 enforcement program.

19 I need a motion to un-table.

20 LEGISLATOR FORD: So moved.

21 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: Second.

22 CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Moved by  
23 Legislator Ford, seconded by Minority  
24 Leader Abrahams.

25 All those in favor of un-tabling

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2 signify by saying aye.

3 (Aye.)

4 Those opposed?

5 (No verbal response.)

6 It's un-tabled.

7 MR. GREGWARE: Dan Gregware,  
8 Deputy County Attorney. This is a  
9 contract with Verra Mobility to  
10 install, operate, and maintain a school  
11 bus photo violation monitoring system  
12 as well as authorize the County  
13 Executive to enter into participation  
14 agreements for school districts who  
15 wish to participate in the stop arm  
16 program.

17 I think we last left off at the  
18 last legislation session where the  
19 vendor was going to -- we contacted the  
20 vendor to look for a third party  
21 monitor or subcontractor to review the  
22 work on the installation of the  
23 cameras.

24 The vendor has solicited quotes  
25 from potential vendors and they are

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2                   committed to move forward with this  
3                   program with this third party reviewer,  
4                   but they are still soliciting quotes.

5                   CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO:   Just in  
6                   terms of the third party review, what  
7                   type of entity is going to be that  
8                   doing that, is it identified, is it a  
9                   law firm?

10                  MR. GREGWARE:   It's going to be  
11                  an engineering type firm reviewing the  
12                  installations.

13                  CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO:   They can  
14                  proceed?

15                  MR. GREGWARE:   Sorry.   What was  
16                  that?

17                  CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO:   They made a  
18                  commitment to proceed with that third  
19                  party monitor?

20                  MR. GREGWARE:   Yes, they are  
21                  actively soliciting third party  
22                  monitors, subcontractors.

23                  LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON:   Can  
24                  we just ask that as soon as that name  
25                  is identified if you distributed it to

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2 all 19 of us?

3 MR. GREGWARE: Sure.

4 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: I  
5 would feel better if we had that in  
6 place before the contract because it is  
7 so important.

8 MR. GREGWARE: They are looking  
9 at identifying a vendor for this week.

10 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON:  
11 Okay. So as soon as you get the names  
12 just let us know and basically going on  
13 good faith that will all come to  
14 fruition, so thank you.

15 MR. GREGWARE: Sure.

16 CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Legislator  
17 Ford.

18 LEGISLATOR FORD: I probably  
19 should have asked this earlier, months  
20 ago, but the vendor that we have  
21 selected, they will be used in either  
22 union labor to install all the  
23 equipment on the buses, or at least  
24 have an apprenticeship program?

25 MR. GREGWARE: They will have to

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2           comply with all county requirements  
3           related to utilizing the applicable  
4           requirements.

5                   LEGISLATOR FORD:   And then once  
6           the vendor selects I guess whatever  
7           firm is going to monitor the equipment  
8           and so forth, when do we anticipate  
9           that we will be offering it to the  
10          school districts to start joining in  
11          with us and implementing this program?

12                  MR. GREGWARE:   I think that's  
13          complicated.

14                  MS. HORST:   Katie Horst from the  
15          administration.  As soon as we get your  
16          go ahead we are going to start engaging  
17          the school districts in agreement.

18                  LEGISLATOR FORD:  I know we have a  
19          number of school districts that already  
20          agreed to this and I know in my school  
21          districts did right.

22                  MS. HORST:   Some are very  
23          supportive, yes.

24                  LEGISLATOR FORD:  Then to be in  
25          touch with New York City in regard to

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2 how they're going to monitor the  
3 medians, the distance of the medians  
4 for the cars going in the opposite  
5 directions that may cause a problem for  
6 drivers?

7 I know state law only said with  
8 the median, but in the city of Long  
9 Beach we have medians that actually our  
10 signals are timed in such a way that a  
11 person is not able to cross from one  
12 end of Park Avenue to the other on one  
13 cycle for a green light cycle. So that  
14 would then compel even a student who  
15 gets off the bus, once they get to the  
16 center median they will then have to  
17 wait for the signal to then turn green  
18 again, okay?

19 So for the cars, because of the  
20 width of it, the trees and  
21 obstructions, will considerations be  
22 made, are we going to look at that so  
23 that if a school bus stops at the  
24 corner of Riverside in front of the  
25 post office to let students off and



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2 cars are going eastbound, and then  
3 there may be a truck then going north  
4 and south that may block the view of  
5 the motorists, they do not see the  
6 school bus that they let the school  
7 children off, that all of a sudden if  
8 the light turns green and they can go  
9 eastbound, they can very well get  
10 ticketed but it would not necessarily  
11 be fair because they didn't see the  
12 school bus?

13 MS. HORST: Correct. That is  
14 being looked at where there is a median  
15 to the -- it's a long question but only  
16 on the side that the student are there  
17 is a median, not ticketing those going  
18 in the opposite direction.

19 LEGISLATOR FORD: I think I got  
20 it, and of course you can't you know.

21 MS. HORST: And if the camera  
22 doesn't pick up the cars then they  
23 won't get a ticket. So if there is a  
24 truck blocking it and for things like  
25 that.

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2 LEGISLATOR FORD: All right. I  
3 would like that looked at. I know  
4 we're going to have 60 days where we  
5 will be capturing a lot of this  
6 information, so we can then take a look  
7 at it as well but it's something that I  
8 just want to make sure we keep on the  
9 radar.

10 MS. HORST: Yes.

11 LEGISLATOR FORD: Okay, thank  
12 you.

13 CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Any other  
14 questions? Legislator Bynoe and then  
15 Legislator Birnbaum.

16 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: You want to go  
17 first?

18 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: Thank you  
19 for telling us about the vendor  
20 contracting with the third party to  
21 administrate the installation.

22 Will this effect in any way the  
23 financial arrangements that we have  
24 with this vendor?

25 MR. GREGWARE: No, we can run

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2 that with the vendor.

3 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: So we are  
4 still under the obligation to remit a  
5 certain percentage back to them for  
6 every ticket?

7 MR. GREGWARE: Yes, that's  
8 correct.

9 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: And they  
10 will absorb the cost of this?

11 MR. GREGWARE: Yes, that's  
12 correct.

13 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: Thank you.

14 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: I think this  
15 is a good way forward. I'm happy to  
16 make sure there was a vendor in place.  
17 I may have missed this.

18 How often will they be reporting  
19 to the county regarding the performance  
20 of the vendor?

21 MR. GREGWARE: We haven't gotten  
22 to that specifics yet with the third  
23 party reviewer, but I mean if the  
24 Legislature has specific reporting  
25 requirements or what they want to see

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2 in the report or the frequency of the  
3 reports.

4 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: Yes, I think  
5 it would be important to make sure of  
6 that.

7 MR. GREGWARE: I think at the  
8 last Legislative session we kind of  
9 thought there would be some flexibility  
10 with that. Obviously that's going to  
11 effect the cost that they are going to  
12 have to pay this third party reviewer.

13 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: But it's in  
14 our best interest. Mr. Cleary, do you  
15 have something to add?

16 MR. CLEARY: Robert Cleary. We  
17 would have be notified in the event  
18 that would identify any problem  
19 obviously. There is no reason for a  
20 delay if they identify a problem on a  
21 bus. It's also going to affect our  
22 discussion on whether that bus should  
23 be operated depending on the severity  
24 of the circumstance. Another issue of  
25 these cameras of the effect of the

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2 operation of the bus themselves.

3 Other than that normally we have  
4 typically a monthly response from  
5 monitors, so I would expect it would be  
6 something along those lines.

7 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: Okay, that  
8 sound greats and I appreciate this  
9 legislative body making sure that we  
10 move forward to have this type of  
11 oversight because this is an important  
12 program for the county and I want to  
13 give a shout out -- who is not here  
14 today. It looks like we lost mike  
15 power the whole thing went out. In any  
16 event, thank you.

17 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: The mike is  
18 back. In any event, thank you very  
19 much for the reporting on this  
20 contractor. I think it's important.

21 CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Any other  
22 questions?

23 (No verbal response.)

24 Is there any debate or  
25 discussion?

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2 (No verbal response.)

3 Hearing none, all those in favor  
4 signify by saying aye.

5 (Aye.)

6 Those opposed?

7 (No verbal response.)

8 Carries unanimously.

9 CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: I'm going to  
10 put the meeting back into recess and  
11 plan on calling it at the time of our  
12 next legislative meeting, August 2nd,  
13 and next is the Rules Committee.

14 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: No more  
15 than five minutes.

16 CHAIRMAN NICOLELLO: Five minute  
17 break and then we will start with  
18 Rules.

19 (Whereupon, the Reconvened Full  
20 Legislative Committee recessed at 2:31  
21 p.m.)

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