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- 2 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: We are going
- 3 to start. Do you want to lead us in the
- 4 Pledge of Allegiance?
- 5 Will the clerk please call the
- 6 roll.
- 7 MR. PULITZER: Thank you.
- 8 Finance Committee. Legislator Josh Lafazan.
- 9 LEGISLATOR LAFAZAN: Here.
- 10 MR. PULITZER: Legislator
- 11 Drucker.
- 12 LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: Here.
- MR. PULITZER: Ranking member
- 14 Ellen Birnbaum.
- 15 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: Here.
- MR. PULITZER: Legislator Rose
- 17 Marie Walker.
- 18 LEGISLATOR WALKER: Here.
- 19 MR. PULITZER: Legislator Thomas
- 20 McKevitt.
- LEGISLATOR MCKEVITT: Here.
- 22 MR. PULITZER: Vice Chairman
- 23 Vincent Muscarella.
- 24 LEGISLATOR MUSCARELLA: Here.
- MR. PULITZER: Chairman Howard

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- 2 Kopel.
- 3 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Here.
- 4 MR. PULITZER: We have a quorum
- 5 sir.
- 6 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Thank you
- 7 Mr. Pulitzer. What I'm going to do is I'm
- 8 going call all the items. Then I'm going give
- 9 any member of the public who has something to
- 10 say about today's calendar. You will have
- 11 your three minutes and then we will deal with
- 12 the items individually. With no objection, I
- 13 believe that is the procedure we have decided
- 14 on.
- So, item 239, which is amending
- 16 Title 24 in relation to extending the hotel
- 17 and motel occupancy tax.
- 18 Item 240 which is determinations
- 19 pursuant to SEQRA in terms of a declaration of
- 20 need for financing of county purposes.
- 21 Item 241 is adopting the county
- 22 budget for 12 month 2021 fiscal year beginning
- 23 January 1, 2021.
- 24 242 is an ordinance fixing tax
- rates for that same 12 month period.

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- Item 243 is a resolution to adopt a
- 3 multiyear finance plan. 244 is adopting the
- 4 budget for the county legislature for 2021.
- 5 245 is a transfer of
- 6 appropriations. 246 is supplemental to the
- 7 police department. 247 is supplemental to
- 8 human services. 248, 249 are both
- 9 supplemental to human services. 250 is a
- 10 transfer of appropriations. 251 is
- 11 supplemental for the medical examiner. 252 is
- 12 supplemental for the police department. 253
- is supplemental for the office of housing.
- 14 254 is authorizing a grant agreement with
- parks and recreation and the Great Neck Center
- 16 for Visual Performing Arts.
- 17 255 is a transfer. 255 and 256 are
- 18 transfers of appropriations. 257 is
- 19 supplemental for the police department. 258
- 20 is supplemental for parks. 260 is
- 21 supplemental for the medical examiner. 261 is
- 22 authorizing the Agriculture Society of Queens,
- Nassau and Suffolk to use fairgrounds at Old
- 24 Bethpage. 262 is supplemental for the
- Department of Health. 263 as well, Department

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- of Health. 264 is supplemental for housing
- 3 and community development. 265 is
- 4 supplemental for the police department. 266
- 5 transfer of appropriations. 267 supplemental
- 6 for the Department of Health. And 268 is
- 7 supplemental for department of probation.
- A motion on those items is made by
- 9 Ms. Walker. Seconded by Mr. Lafazan. The
- 10 items are all before us.
- Now before we start I have a one
- 12 slip. That would be for Mr. Budnick.
- 13 Mr. John Budnick please favor us with your
- 14 remarks.
- MR. BUDNICK: Good afternoon.
- 16 John Joseph Budnick, 122 Van Huenfeld Street,
- 17 Massapequa Park.
- 18 Commissioner, alternate deputy
- 19 chairman, members of the legislature. I'm
- 20 addressing a potential misapprehension that
- 21 may be in the air here that was foisted upon
- the people of this county by Newsday last week
- 23 indicating that crime statistics were down.
- 24 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Mr. Budnick,
- sir, this is the Finance Committee. Do you

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- 2 have anything to tell us -- this is not the
- full legislature. We're not commenting about
- 4 anything you want.
- 5 MR. BUDNICK: I'm urging each and
- 6 every cent and dollar with regard to the
- 7 probation department, with regard to the
- 8 police department supplemental appropriations
- 9 and the appropriations most appropriately in
- 10 the county budget be approved because the
- 11 headline in last week's Newsday was wrong.
- 12 Crime statistics in Nassau County
- 13 are up. We need more and better crime
- 14 fighting by the county. We should also be
- 15 having the county police department reporting
- 16 to the various communities what the community
- 17 crimes are on let's say a quarterly or
- 18 half-year basis. It is important that no one
- 19 be under the illusion that that headline in
- Newsday was correct.
- 21 And acting as a county legislator
- with reference to either probation department,
- 23 police department or any of our other criminal
- justice agencies, they all need the maximum
- extent of largess financially that this county

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- 2 legislature is able to do given the
- 3 circumstances.
- 4 That is why I believe the county
- 5 should continue to make each and every
- 6 appropriation to the police department,
- 7 probation department and correction department
- 8 and all the other law enforcement agencies of
- 9 this county as much and as quickly as
- 10 possible.
- Mr. Alternate Chair and members of
- 12 the county legislature. Thank you. I have
- 13 asked that the county legislature start
- 14 getting, at least for itself, community
- breakdowns of crimes statistics so that you
- 16 know where the need is. Thank you very much
- for your time and trouble and thank you once
- again for putting up with me. God bless you.
- 19 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Thank you
- 20 Mr. Budnick.
- 21 Number 239 is a local law extending
- the hotel-motel occupancy tax. Who is here to
- 23 speak on that? Anyone?
- 24 MR. NOLAN: Chris Nolan from the
- Office of Management and Budget. This is to

- 1 Finance 10-05-20
- 2 extend the law to collect the hotel-motel
- 3 occupancy tax through December 31 of 2023.
- 4 It's an extension of a three-year term.
- 5 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Are there any
- 6 questions, debate or discussion from
- 7 legislators? Hearing none, all those in favor
- 8 of 239 please signify by saying aye. Any
- 9 opposed? The item passes unanimously. Thank
- 10 you sir.
- 11 The next several items relate to
- 12 the budget. We're going to have a budget
- 13 hearing tonight. So I propose that if there
- 14 are no objections we punt those over to the
- 15 next session. Just tee them up.
- So I'm going to call number 240,
- 17 which was the NIFA financing. 241 budget
- 18 ordinance. 242, 243, and 244. Are we all
- 19 agreed? Good. So all those in favor of
- 20 passing those items to the full legislature
- 21 signify by saying aye. Are there any
- opposed? Those items are passed unanimously.
- 23 Thank you.
- The next several items are budget
- 25 transfers. I'm going to call them together.

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- 2 Those would be numbers 245, 250, 255, 256 and
- 3 266. Now the first one of those is 245 which
- 4 is the medical examiner. Do we have someone
- 5 here from the medical examiner?
- 6 MR. HAHN: Tim Hahn, medical
- 7 examiner's office. This is a board transfer
- 8 proposed to maximize funding for the
- 9 toxicology lab's full Coverdale grant. It's
- 10 used to support overtime to meet demands of
- 11 the newly enacted New York State discovery law
- in particular for DWI testing.
- 13 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Any questions
- or discussions on that item? Thank you. 250,
- 15 health department.
- MS. LAURAIN: Good afternoon.
- 17 Mary Ellen Laurain, Department of Health.
- 18 Item 250 is a board transfer in the amount of
- 19 \$75,000. It's fully grant funded so it would
- 20 be needed to maximize grant reimbursement. It
- 21 has no impact on the budget.
- 22 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Any debate or
- 23 discussion on that item? Thank you.
- Number 255 is board of elections.
- 25 Transfer of appropriations.

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- 2 MR. NOLAN: This is a transfer
- 3 from several different codes to address
- 4 election expenses. With of course the
- 5 COVID-19 precautions in place there's an
- 6 increase in cost in some expenses but it's
- 7 covered by the budget. No impact.
- 8 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Any questions,
- 9 debate or discussion? Thank you.
- 10 256 would be health, public works.
- MR. NOLAN: This is part of our
- quarterly, we try to keep these as quarterly
- as much as possible, budget transfers. There
- 14 are a number of departments impacted here.
- 15 Health, public works, housing and the clerk.
- 16 Again, this is all with respect to the two
- 17 larger ones, public works, which is an
- increase to the Long Island Railroad station
- 19 maintenance. This is just covering an
- 20 obligation that we have. There was a
- 21 shortfall based a calculation of the CPI.
- 22 There's ample funding for that coming again
- 23 from DPW. And then for the county clerk their
- funding transfer to cover some additional cost
- 25 to their Xerox contract.

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- 2 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: 266 is yours
- 3 as well? Public works.
- 4 MR. ARNOLD: Ken Arnold, public
- 5 works. 266 is a board transfer in the amount
- of \$1.154 million. It's moving funds from the
- 7 interest to the principal lines of the 2020
- 8 budget. There's no overall impact.
- 9 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Any
- 10 questions? Thank you Mr. Arnold. So, all
- 11 those in favor of the following items, that's
- 12 245, 250, 255, 256 and 266, please so indicate
- 13 by saying aye. Any opposed? Those items are
- 14 passed unanimously. Thank you.
- The next batch will be 246, 247,
- 16 251, 252, 253 -- let's go through them one at
- 17 a time. Police department which will be 246.
- MR. FIELD: Good afternoon.
- 19 William Field from the police department.
- 20 Item 246-20 is an appropriation of \$200,000.
- 21 These funds are to be from the police traffic
- 22 services grant. They are designed to help us
- with funding set aside for overtime incurred
- in relation to our buckle up seat belt
- 25 enforcement initiative as well as our

- 1 Finance 10-05-20
- 2 aggressive driving enforcement campaigns.
- 3 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Thanks. Don't
- 4 go away. Any questions on that item? Number
- 5 252.
- 6 MR. FIELD: 252 is part of the
- 7 Seen Be Seen Traffic safety grant. This is
- 8 once again to appropriate \$50,000 in funds
- 9 from the New York State Governor Traffic
- 10 Safety Committee. This is designed to provide
- 11 funding for overtime to aid in the reduction
- of crashes, injuries and deaths on roads in
- 13 New York.
- 14 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Any
- 15 questions? 257.
- 16 MR. FIELD: 257 is an
- appropriation of \$478,360 in funds from the
- 18 Department of Health and Human Services.
- 19 These funds are to offset overtime incurred by
- 20 our Nassau County Police Department Emergency
- 21 Ambulance Bureau during their response with
- 22 COVID-19.
- 23 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Any
- 24 questions? 265.
- 25 MR. FIELD: 265-20 is an

- 1 Finance 10-05-20
- 2 appropriation of \$50,000 from the 2020
- 3 Operation Gateway contract. This is received
- 4 from New York State Office of Homeland
- 5 Security. These funds are used to staff and
- 6 related to overtime costs in enforcing
- 7 political statutes on Memorial Day,
- 8 Independence Day and Labor Day weekends.
- 9 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Any
- 10 questions? All those in favor of 246, 252,
- 11 257 and 265 please so signify by saying aye.
- 12 Any opposed? Thank you. Those items are all
- unanimous.
- 14 Next would be human services.
- MR. HALL: Brian Hall from human
- 16 services.
- 17 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: We will start
- with 247 please.
- MR. HALL: 247 is stimulus funds
- 20 from the federal government pass-through the
- 21 Office of Aging of New York State. It's for
- \$654,000 for senior support.
- 23 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Any
- 24 questions? 248.
- MR. HALL: 248 is also stimulus

- 1 Finance 10-05-20
- 2 money. It is a pass-through. \$409,000. All
- of this money is 100 percent and this is more
- 4 funds for the senior programs.
- 5 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: And 249
- 6 please.
- 7 MR. HALL: 249 is again another
- 8 stimulus program. It's \$2,332,000. This is
- 9 also federal pass-through New York State 100
- 10 percent. And this one is geared more towards
- 11 the meals, the home on meals. Meals on
- 12 Wheels, sorry.
- 13 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Any questions,
- 14 debate or discussion? All those in favor of
- those items being 247, 248 and 249 please so
- 16 signify by saying aye. Any opposed? Those
- 17 items are unanimous.
- Next would be the medical examiner
- 19 and that would be item 251.
- 20 MR. HAHN: Item 251 is a
- 21 supplemental appropriation related to the
- 22 2020-21 New York State highway traffic safety
- grant in the amount of \$35,000. It's used to
- 24 support the effectiveness and accuracy of
- 25 testing through DWI and drug impaired

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- 2 driving. It's used to purchase supplies and
- 3 support overtime.
- 4 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Any questions
- 5 here? You got 264, right?
- 6 MR. HAHN: 260.
- 7 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: I'm sorry. Go
- 8 on please.
- 9 MR. HALL: Item 260 is a
- 10 supplemental appropriation. That's the Aid to
- 11 Crime Laboratories Grant from New York State
- 12 Department of Criminal Justice Services in the
- amount of \$108,000. It's used to support the
- 14 lab's New York State forensic accreditation
- and support the effectiveness and testing of
- 16 postmortem cases at the medical examiner's
- 17 office.
- 18 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Any
- 19 questions? Those items are 253 and -- no,
- 20 sorry. It was 251 and 260. All those in
- 21 favor of those two items please say aye. Any
- 22 opposed? Thank you.
- Housing and Community Development.
- 24 Anyone here from Housing and Community
- Development? We'll start with 253.

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- MS. PETTIS: Kenetha Pettis,
- director of Housing. 253, the amount of
- 4 \$163,333. These funds are funded by New York
- 5 State grant funded for limited time which
- 6 expires on 12-31-20 and this is under the
- 7 CARES Act. These funds will be used to
- 8 digitize all our files. We have over 3,500
- 9 files, and I think we're the only local
- 10 administrator in New York State that our files
- 11 are not scanned into the system.
- 12 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: How long will
- 13 this project take?
- MS. PETTIS: Hopefully we will be
- 15 finished by 12-31 because we have to spend the
- 16 money and have the services completed by
- 17 12-31.
- 18 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Do you have a
- 19 vendor yet?
- MS. PETTIS: Yes. That's already
- vetted through the county. There's a vendor
- that's already used in the county.
- 23 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Is there a new
- 24 contract for that vendor?
- MS. PETTIS: We're working on

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- 2 that now waiting for this to be approved.
- 3 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: If you want to
- 4 get that done don't take too long.
- 5 MS. PETTIS: Because they're
- 6 going to take the money back.
- 7 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Any
- 8 questions? 264.
- 9 MS. PETTIS: This is also under
- 10 the CARES Act. \$425,724. These funds, also
- 11 funded by New York State, will be used for
- 12 security deposits to assist Section 8
- 13 applicants that's already on the county
- 14 program who will have to move during the
- 15 COVID. And the money will be paid directly
- 16 from Nassau County to the landlord. This
- 17 program has already started already because
- we've already paid about seven landlords
- 19 already because the money was fronted and we
- 20 have to spend the money by 12-31.
- 21 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Any
- 22 questions? Thank you. All those in favor of
- these two items being 253 and 264 please say
- 24 aye. Any opposed? Thank you very much.
- MS. PETTIS: Thank you.

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- 2 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Parks. That
- 3 would be number 258.
- 4 MS. KASO: Yes. There's also
- 5 254.
- 6 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: 254 is a
- 7 hotel-motel grant. We will do them both. Go
- 8 on please.
- 9 MS. KASO: Victoria Kaso from the
- 10 department of parks. 254 is a hotel-motel tax
- grant for up to \$10,000 for the Great Neck
- 12 Center for the Visual and Performing Arts.
- 13 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Any questions
- 14 about that item? The other one which was 258.
- MS. KASO: 258 is a supplemental
- appropriation in the amount of \$1,100,000 to
- 17 the Mitchell Park maintenance account. As per
- 18 the United States Department of the Interior,
- 19 all fees collected at Mitchell Field have to
- 20 go back into Mitchell Field. So that is
- 21 that. You might be curious, we accounted for
- the effect of COVID. Typically we appropriate
- 23 about \$1.7 million. So 1.1 million we think
- is reasonable and our year-to-date is at about
- 25 \$800,000.

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- 2 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Any questions
- on that item? All those in favor please say
- 4 aye. Any opposed? Thank you very much.
- 5 MS. KASO: There's one more, 261.
- 6 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: I'm sorry.
- 7 Which one?
- 8 MS. KASO: 261.
- 9 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Sure, go ahead
- 10 please.
- MS. KASO: This is a correction
- of an original resolution that was passed back
- in February. It was to give occupancy to the
- 14 agriculture society to OBVR. The original
- 15 resolution stated that they would have
- 16 occupancy from 2026 to 2030 but it was
- actually supposed to say 2021 through 2030.
- 18 This is correcting that so that we can get the
- 19 grant funding in time to utilize it.
- 20 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Any
- 21 questions? All those in favor of those
- 22 items? Any opposed? Thank you. Health. Who
- is here for health? 262.
- 24 MS. LAURAIN: 262 it's a
- 25 supplemental appropriation. It's for

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- 2 \$131,946. It's for an immunization action
- 3 plan. It's a supplemental flu program funded
- 4 through the New York State Health Department
- of Health. This will allow us to buy supplies
- 6 such as biological refrigerators, laptops, PCs
- 7 to support our vaccination efforts.
- 8 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Good. Any
- 9 questions on that item? 263.
- 10 MS. LAURAIN: 263 is a
- 11 supplemental appropriation for the beach water
- 12 quality monitoring and notification program.
- 13 It's for \$55,355. This allows us to do beach
- 14 water sampling during the summer through Labor
- 15 Day. Funded through New York State Department
- 16 of Health.
- 17 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: This was for
- which season? Last season?
- MS. LAURAIN: I think this one is
- 20 for next season. This is 10-1-20 to 9-30-21.
- 21 So next season.
- 22 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Any
- 23 questions? And 267.
- MS. LAURAIN: Item 267 is a
- 25 supplemental appropriation. It's for

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- 2 \$118,144. This is for the Children with
- 3 Special Health Care Needs program. It's
- 4 funded through New York State Department of
- 5 Health and it assists families of children up
- 6 to age 21 who have a special medical
- 7 diagnosis.
- 8 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Thank you.
- 9 Any questions on that? All those in favor of
- 10 these three items? Any opposed? Thank you.
- 11 The last item on the regular calendar would be
- 12 268 and that's probation.
- MR. LANSMAN: Good afternoon.
- 14 Douglas Lansman, Nassau probation. The item
- before you, 268-20, we are requesting a grant
- 16 appropriation for our STIP Peer Diversion
- 17 Program Center for Court Intervention award
- 18 through New York State OCFS. This is a
- one-year grant totaling \$97,169 and it covers
- the period October 19 through September 20.
- 21 This grant is retroactive due to
- 22 receiving late Raise the Age approval from the
- 23 state in March and then having the vendor
- disclosure forms delayed and completed
- incorrectly. While all this was going on the

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- 2 contract package became stale while waiting
- 3 for the disclosure forms and ultimately it
- 4 needed to be redone.
- 5 As far as the program, Nassau
- 6 County Peer Diversion Court is an educational
- 7 diversion program for young offenders. Peer
- 8 diversion court helps teenage defendants avoid
- 9 the legal and collateral consequences
- 10 associated with criminal prosecution and
- 11 receive the assistance they need to pursue law
- 12 abiding productive futures.
- This effort requires an on-site
- 14 coordination staff to ensure that appropriate
- defendants are identified, referred to
- 16 effective services and monitored
- 17 appropriately. We see approximately 100 cases
- 18 per year.
- 19 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Do we have any
- 20 questions on that item? Anyone? All those in
- 21 favor of that item being number 268 say aye.
- 22 Any opposed? That concludes the regular
- 23 calendar.
- MR. LANSMAN: May I respectfully
- inquire about an addendum item number 288?

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- 2 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: We are going
- 3 to get to the addendum in just a moment.
- 4 MR. LANSMAN: Thank you sir.
- 5 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Just stick
- 6 around. We have a number of items on the
- 7 addendum, and I need a motion to suspend the
- 8 rules. Mr. McKevitt makes such a motion and
- 9 Ms. Birnbaum seconds the motion. All those in
- 10 favor of suspending the rules say aye. Any
- 11 opposed? The rules are suspended. What was
- 12 your item there? Probation?
- MR. LANSMAN: It was item 288-20.
- 14 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Go ahead.
- 15 Please hold on for a moment because we haven't
- 16 called the items yet. I will call them in
- 17 bulk and then consider them one by one. Hang
- out for a moment please.
- Number 269 is supplemental
- 20 agreement for federal aid with respect to
- 21 Department of Transportation. 270 is a grant
- 22 agreement with parks and recreation and
- 23 Franklin Square Historical. 271, 272, 273,
- 24 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 288,
- 25 289, 290, 291, 292 are all supplemental

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- 2 appropriations. Motion on those items is made
- 3 by Mr. Lafazan and seconded by
- 4 Mr. Muscarella. Why don't you go ahead now
- 5 with your 288 you said?
- 6 MR. LANSMAN: Yes, sir. Thank
- 7 you. Item 288-20 for probation we are
- 8 requesting supplemental appropriation for our
- 9 annual GIVE grant that's now in its 17th year
- 10 of operation. This was previously known as
- 11 Operation Impact. This is the same GIVE grant
- 12 that the police and DA also participate in.
- 13 The amount of the grant is \$192,084. There is
- 14 no match. And it covers the 12 month period
- July of 2020 through June of 2021.
- 16 It should be noted that this is the
- 17 same amount as received last year due to
- 18 state-wide budgetary restrictions.
- 19 It builds upon the information
- 20 sharing and partnerships developed under
- 21 Operation Impact while standing use of crime
- 22 analysis, evidence-based practices and
- 23 community partnerships to assist in the
- 24 reduction of firearm-related homicides and
- 25 shootings.

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- 2 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Thank you.
- 3 Any questions? All those in favor of item 288
- 4 signify by saying aye. Any opposed? That
- 5 item is unanimous. Thank you. 269 is a grant
- 6 agreement. That's transportation. Who do we
- 7 have?
- 8 MR. ARNOLD: 269-20 is a
- 9 supplemental agreement with New York State DOT
- 10 with their department's traffic management
- 11 system phase two operations contract. This
- will increase our reimbursement by \$1.6
- 13 million.
- 14 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: For what?
- MR. ARNOLD: We operate a 24-7
- 16 traffic management system and this is our
- operations group. We get reimbursed from New
- 18 York State DOT 80 percent for that operation.
- 19 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Any questions
- on that item? Any other items that you have?
- MR. ARNOLD: No, I don't.
- 22 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: All those in
- 23 favor of that item 269 signify by saying aye.
- 24 Any opposed? That's unanimous.
- 25 270 is a hotel-motel grant for the

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- 2 Franklin Square Historical Society.
- MS. KASO: Thank you. This is a
- 4 hotel-motel tax grant for the Franklin Square
- 5 Historical Society in the amount of up to
- 6 \$10,225.
- 7 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Any
- 8 questions? All those in favor of that item
- 9 number 270 signify by saying aye. Any
- 10 opposed? That item is unanimous.
- 11 A bunch of budget transfers.
- 12 Number 271, start with that.
- MS. LAURAIN: 271 is a board
- 14 transfer in the amount of \$3,978. It's grant
- 15 funded. No impact on the budget. It's to
- 16 maximize reimbursement.
- 17 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Any
- 18 questions? Do you have any others?
- MS. LAURAIN: I do.
- 20 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Which one?
- MS. LAURAIN: 274-20 is a board
- 22 transfer in the amount of \$1,569. This is
- 23 also grant funded to maximize grant
- 24 reimbursement. No impact on the budget.
- 25 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Any questions

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- 2 on that? Anything else?
- MS. LAURAIN: Item 275-20 is also
- 4 a board transfer. It's in the amount of
- 5 \$16,123. This is also grant funded through
- 6 New York State Department of Health and it's
- 7 to maximize grant reimbursement.
- 8 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Any
- 9 questions? Is that it?
- 10 MS. LAURAIN: No. 276-20 is a
- 11 board transfer in the amount of \$47,704. This
- is 100 percent grant funded and is necessary
- 13 to maximize grant reimbursement.
- 14 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Any
- 15 questions?
- 16 MS. LAURAIN: One more. 292-20
- is a board transfer. It's in the amount of
- 18 \$3,838. This is also funded through New York
- 19 State Department of Health and is necessary to
- 20 maximize grant reimbursement.
- 21 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Any questions
- 22 on that one? So then we're dealing with --
- 23 you're finished, right?
- MS. LAURAIN: Yes.
- LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Numbers 271,

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- 2 274, 275, 276 and 292 I think were yours. All
- 3 those in favor of those items please signify
- 4 by saying aye. Any opposed? Those items are
- 5 unanimous. Thank you. 272 OMB.
- 6 MR. HAHN: 272 is a board
- 7 transfer in the amount of \$20,000. Being
- 8 proposed to maximize grant funding to update
- 9 autopsy equipment.
- 10 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Any questions
- 11 on that? Any others?
- MR. HAHN: 273 is another board
- transfer in the amount of \$2,232. Once again
- 14 it's used to maximize grant funding to update
- 15 the autopsy equipment.
- 16 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Any
- 17 questions? Go on. That's it? All those in
- 18 favor of items 272 and 273 signify by saying
- 19 aye. Any opposed? Those items are
- 20 unanimous. 277.
- 21 MR. FIELD: Item 277-20 is a
- 22 board transfer to move \$300,000 from salary
- 23 and wages to our general expenses line. This
- transfer has no impact on the overall budget
- as it's just a transfer from within the fund.

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- 2 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Any questions
- 3 on that? Do you have anymore?
- 4 MR. FIELD: Yes, sir. 278-20 is
- 5 a board transfer. This is from the salary and
- 6 wages to the equipment line. It's \$800,000.
- 7 This once again will have no impact on the
- 8 overall budget as it just represents a
- 9 transfer of existing funds from the same
- 10 department.
- 11 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Any
- 12 questions? Debate? Go on.
- 13 MR. FIELD: Item 279-20 is a
- 14 board transfer from salary and wages to
- general expenses in the amount of \$300,000.
- 16 This will have no impact on the overall budget
- 17 as it is existing funds from the same fund.
- 18 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Any questions
- 19 on that? Do you have anymore?
- 20 MR. FIELD: Yes sir. 280-20 is a
- 21 board transfer of \$200,000 from salary and
- 22 wages to the equipment line. This will have
- 23 no impact on the overall budget as it
- 24 represents a transfer within fund.
- 25 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Ouestions?

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- 2 MR. FIELD: Item 281-20 is a
- 3 board transfer of \$500,000 from salary and
- 4 wages to the equipment line. This will have
- 5 no impact on the overall budget as it is from
- 6 existing funds.
- 7 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: 290.
- 8 MR. FIELD: 290-20 is an
- 9 appropriation of \$2.6 million in funds
- 10 received from the New York State District
- 11 Attorney federal and state forfeiture funds.
- 12 The funds will be used to offset overtime
- 13 costs related to the implementation of new
- 14 crime strategies as well as have a main focus
- on purchasing gym equipment, security cameras
- 16 and tactical warehouse flooring for the police
- department's new police academy.
- 18 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Any questions
- 19 on that item? 291.
- 20 MR. FIELD: 291-20. This is an
- 21 appropriation of \$465,379. It's from the
- 22 Office of Homeland Security. It is part of
- the state law enforcement terrorism prevention
- 24 program grant. These funds are designed to
- 25 provide law enforcement agencies with

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- 2 resources to purchase and supplement their
- 3 capabilities in disrupting and preventing acts
- 4 of terrorism. \$180,903 will be set aside for
- 5 police training. \$49,097 will be set aside
- for related fringe benefits and \$235,379 will
- 7 be used for equipment purchases in preventing
- 8 terrorism.
- 9 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Any questions
- on that item? All those in favor of 277, 278,
- 11 279, 280, 281, 290 and 291 please signify by
- 12 saying aye. Any opposed? Those items are
- 13 unanimous. Thank you. I believe we have one
- item left and that would be 289 which would be
- 15 human services.
- 16 MR. HALL: Brian Hall from Human
- 17 Services. This is a grant from New York
- 18 State. 100 percent reimbursable. It's called
- 19 Unmet Needs and we can use it any way we need
- 20 for senior programs.
- 21 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Any questions
- 22 on that item? Debate? Hearing none, all
- those in favor of this item 289 please signify
- 24 by saying aye. Any opposed? That item is
- 25 unanimous.

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2	Mr. Drucker moves to adjourn.
3	Mr. McKevitt seconds it. All those in favor
4	of adjourning say aye. Any opposed? We are
5	adjourned. Thank you.
6	(Committee adjourned at 2:05)
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5	Public in and for the State of New
6	York, do hereby certify:
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8	accurate transcript of my stenographic
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10	IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have
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