



Onondaga County Legislature

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION COMMITTEE AGENDA

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1:30 p.m.
March 19, 2024

401 Montgomery St., Room 407 Court House
Syracuse, New York 13202

- A. Approval of the minutes of the previous meeting.
- B. Presentation of Resolutions and Local Laws:

1. REGION 7 FISH & WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT BOARD:

- a. Confirming Appointment to the Region 7 Fish and Wildlife Management Board
(Nodesia Hernandez) (*Sponsored by Mr. Burtis*)

2. OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENT:

- a. Amending the 2024 Onondaga County Budget to Accept Grant Funds from the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation Office of Climate Change (\$100,000)
- b. 2024 Transfer Resolution (\$75,000) (*Sponsored by Mr. May*)

3. ONONDAGA COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY:

- a. Approving an Amendment to the Currently Effective Schedule of Rates to be Charged for Water and Water Service Provided by the Onondaga County Water District

4. WATER ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION:

- a. INFORMATIONAL: Status of Projects & Bonding

- C. Adjournment

April 2, 2024

Motion Made By Mr. Burtis

RESOLUTION NO. _____

CONFIRMING APPOINTMENT TO THE REGION 7 FISH AND WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT
BOARD

WHEREAS, J. Ryan McMahon II, Onondaga County Executive, has duly appointed and designated, pursuant to the New York State Fish and Wildlife Management Act and Section 11 – 0501 of the Environmental Conservation Law, subject to confirmation by the Onondaga County Legislature, the following individual to serve as a member of the Region 7 Fish and Wildlife Management Board:

APPOINTMENT:

Nodesia Hernandez
1626 Salt Springs Road
Syracuse, New York 13214

TERM EXPIRES:

December 31, 2025

now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Onondaga County Legislature does hereby confirm the appointment of the above individual to serve as a member of the Region 7 Fish and Wildlife Management Board for the term specified above.



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J. Ryan McMahon, II
County Executive

Ann Rooney
Deputy County Executive, Human Services

Brian J. Donnelly
Deputy County Executive

Mary Beth Primo
Deputy County Executive, Physical Services

March 11, 2024

TO THE HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE ONONDAGA COUNTY LEGISLATURE:

Pursuant to the New York State Fish and Wildlife Management Act, Section 11-0501 of the Fish and Wildlife Law, I have appointed, subject to confirmation of the County Legislature, the following individual as a member of the Region 7 Fish & Wildlife Management Board:

APPOINTMENT:

Nodesia Hernandez
1626 Salt Springs Road
Syracuse, NY 13214

TERM EXPIRES:

December 31, 2025

Your confirmation of this appointment would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

J. Ryan McMahon, II
County Executive

cc: Legislator Julie Abbott, Chair, Environmental Protection Committee
Ben Yaus, Law Department
Jamie McNamara, Clerk, County Legislature

April 2, 2024

Motion Made By Ms. Abbott

RESOLUTION NO. _____

AMENDING THE 2024 ONONDAGA COUNTY BUDGET TO ACCEPT GRANT FUNDS FROM
THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION OFFICE OF
CLIMATE CHANGE

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) Office of Climate Change has awarded the County of Onondaga funding in the amount of \$100,000 for its Climate Smart Communities Greenhouse Gas Inventory and Climate Action Plan Update; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to include such funds in the Onondaga County Office of the Environment's 2024 budget and authorize the execution of agreements; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the County Executive is authorized to execute agreements and such other documents as may be reasonably necessary to implement the intent of this resolution; and, be it further

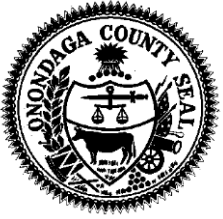
RESOLVED, that the 2024 County budget be amended as follows:

REVENUES:

In Admin Unit 3600000000	
Office of the Environment	
Speed Type #191015	
Project 721007	
Climate Smart Communities	
In Acct. 590028	
St Aid – Home & Comm Svc	\$100,000

APPROPRIATIONS:

In Admin Unit 3600000000	
Office of the Environment	
Speed Type #191015	
Project 721007	
Climate Smart Communities	
In Acct. 694080	
Professional Services	\$100,000



DEPARTMENT PROGRAM AND FINANCIAL INFORMATION SHEET

PURPOSE:

The Climate Smart Communities (CSC) Grant Program is a competitive 50/50 matching grant program for municipalities to implement projects focused on climate change adaptation and greenhouse gas (GHG) mitigation. Project types also include certain planning and assessment projects that are part of a strategy to achieve Climate Smart Communities Certification.

OBJECTIVE/ WORK PLAN:

The Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Office of Climate Change has awarded Onondaga County in the amount of \$100,000 from the Climate Smart Communities (CSC) Grant Program for Greenhouse Gas Inventory and Climate Action Plan Update. These funds will allow the Office of Environment to proceed with the hiring of professional services to help update the 2017 Climate Action Plan, Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Inventory, and apply for a certification as a Climate Smart Community. The updated GHG Inventory will create a new baseline of County emissions, assist in reviewing trends from the 2012 and 2017 goals, and help set new goals with regards to future energy reduction and sustainability.

FUNDING SOURCE:

New York State, through the Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Climate Smart Communities (CSC) Grant Program with 50% match already included in the Office of Environment Climate Action Project fund 2023 Budget allocations.

BUDGET:

\$100,000

April 2, 2024

Motion Made By Mr. May, Ms. Abbott

RESOLUTION NO. _____

2024 TRANSFER RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, that the following transfer be made:

<u>FROM:</u>	<u>TO:</u>	<u>AMOUNT:</u>
Admin Unit 3600000000	Admin Unit 3600000000	
Office of the Environment	Office of the Environment	
Speed Type #191007	Speed Type #191007	
Acct. 666500	Acct. 668720	
Contingent Account	Transfer to Grant Expenditures	\$75,000

April 2, 2024

Motion Made By Ms. Abbott

RESOLUTION NO. _____

APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE CURRENTLY EFFECTIVE SCHEDULE OF RATES TO
BE CHARGED FOR WATER AND WATER SERVICE PROVIDED BY THE ONONDAGA
COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 215 adopted June 6, 1966, the Board of Supervisors confirmed, ratified and approved, pursuant to the provisions of Section 266 of the County Law, a Schedule of Rates to be Charged for Water and Water Service to be Provided by the Onondaga County Water District, as recommended by the Metropolitan Water Board, the administrative head for said District, which Schedule of Rates was thereafter amended by the following resolutions: No. 158-1969, 163-1970, 614-1974, 625-1980, 172-1984, 187-1993, 105-2002, 230-2003, 261-2004, 245-2005, 288-2006, 289-2008, 293-2010, 501-2011, 217-2013, 238-2014, and 169-2016, and, as thus amended, such Schedule of Rates is currently in full force and effect; and

WHEREAS, said Metropolitan Water Board has advised by letter dated December 8, 2023, that it has adopted an amendment to said Schedule of Rates and Charges, as hereinafter more fully set forth, and requests confirmation of the proposed amendment in the manner required by law; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 41-2024, a public hearing has been conducted this day in compliance with the rules for conducting such a hearing, as set forth in the Order of the Board of Supervisors, contained in Resolution No. 174, adopted May 2, 1966, to consider the amended Schedule of Rates, at which public hearing the Metropolitan Water Board appeared through its authorized representatives and offered testimony in support of the amended Schedule of Rates and all persons desiring to be heard on the subject were, in fact, heard; and

WHEREAS, the Onondaga County Legislature has given due consideration to the amended Schedule of Rates and the evidence and testimony submitted during legislative program committees and at the public hearing, and now desires to approve the Schedule of Rates and Charges as provided herein; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Onondaga County Legislature does hereby approve, pursuant to the provisions of Section 266 of the County Law, the amendment of the currently effective Schedule of Rates to be Charged for Water and Water Service Provided by the Onondaga County Water District, as provided herein, to the end that, effective May 1, 2024, the Schedule of Rates to be Charged for Water and Water Service Provided by the Onondaga County Water District shall read as follows:

SCHEDULE NO. 2: For the City of Syracuse the charge for water and water service will be at the rate of \$3.63 per thousand gallons actually consumed as measured by the meter at the point of connection to the District system (meter to be read and bill to be rendered monthly); PROVIDED, however, that the City will pay a minimum annual charge (calendar year) of \$50,000 in equal monthly installments, for which the City may take 13,774,105 gallons of water in that year; for any water consumed in excess of this quantity during such year an additional charge will be made at the rate of \$3.63 per thousand gallons of excess. The rate shall be automatically adjusted annually to remain equivalent to the rate charged by the City for water it provides to the Southern Branch system.

and, be it further

RESOLVED, that, except as herein and hereby amended, the currently effective Schedule of Rates to be Charged for Water and Water Service Provided by the Onondaga County Water District, as heretofore confirmed, ratified, amended, and approved by action of this County Legislature shall remain in full force and effect.