

The Legislature of Rockland County



PHILIP SOSKIN
LEGISLATOR-DISTRICT 7
CHAIR, MULTI-SERVICES COMMITTEE

AGENDA
MULTI-SERVICES COMMITTEE
TUESDAY MARCH 08, 2016
6:30 PM

ROLL CALL

ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 09, 2016 MEETING.

1. REF.#2973 APPROVING THE AGREEMENT IN EXCESS OF \$100,000 WITH THE CLARKSTOWN CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR NARCOTICS ADDICTION CONTROL AND CHEMICAL DEPENDENCE PREVENTION PROGRAMS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$112,148 [NCTD] FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2016 AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT [DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH] (\$112,148)
(MICHAEL LEITZES, COMMISSIONER OF MENTAL HEALTH) DL#:2016-00452

ADDITIONAL BACK-UP WITH CLERK

2. REF.#8281 APPROVING A TWO (2) YEAR LEASE AGREEMENT WITH 26 NEW MAIN STREET LLC FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH'S OFF-SITE WIC PROGRAM AND CLINIC/SERVICES IN A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$39,108 [NCTD] FOR THE PERIOD FROM APRIL 15, 2016 THROUGH APRIL 14, 2018 AND AUTHORIZING ITS EXECUTION BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE [DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH] (\$39,108)
(PARICIA RUPPERT, COMMISSIONER DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH) DL#:2016-00455

3. REF.#8983 APPROVING THE AGREEMENTS WHICH MAY BE IN EXCESS OF \$100,000 WITH THE LICENSED PERSONAL CARE AGENCIES LISTED ON THE ANNEXED SCHEDULE A TO PROVIDE THE SERVICES REQUIRED BY NEW YORK SOCIAL SERVICES LAW § 365-A(2)(E) AND TITLE 18 OF THE NEW YORK CODE, RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE PERIOD FROM JANUARY 1, 2016 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2016 WITH TOTAL EXPENDITURES NOT TO EXCEED THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES' 2016 BUDGET FOR PERSONAL CARE SERVICES AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENTS [DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES]
(CAROL L. BARBASH, DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL SERVICES) DL#: 2015-05203

4. REF.#4496 REQUESTING THAT THE NEW YORK STATE PASS BILL S.6452 TO CONSOLIDATE ALL PRIMARY ELECTIONS ON THE FOURTH TUESDAY OF JUNE BEFORE EVERY GENERAL ELECTION
(HON. ILAN S. SCHOENBERGER, HON. ALDEN H. WOLFE, LEGISLATURE)

5. REF.#6724 OPPOSING THE PAROLE AND RELEASE OF MUTULA SHAKUR, A/K/A JERAL WAYNE WILLIAMS FROM THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF PRISONS ON ACCOUNT OF HIS ROLE IN THE BRINKS ROBBERY OF 1981
(HON. ALDEN H. WOLFE LEGISLATURE)
SUBS. TO APPROVAL OF MULTI-SERVICES COMMITTEE

6. REF.#8116 SUPPORTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE PANEL LED BY EAST RAMAPO CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MONITOR DENNIS WALCOTT TO IMPLEMENT A MONITOR WITH VETO POWER OVER THE EAST RAMAPO CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION
(HON. CHRISTOPHER J. CAREY, HON. LON M. HOFSTEIN LEGISLATURE)

7. REF. #2416 CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF ARON REINER SPRING VALLEY, NEW YORK TO THE ROCKLAND COUNTY COMMUNITY SERVICES BOARD
(EDWIN J. DAY, COUNTY EXECUTIVE)

8. REF.#8439 DISCUSSION ITEM-SUMMARY OF THE RECENT COUNT OF THE HOMELESS POPULATION IN ROCKLAND COUNTY AND PLANS TO ADDRESS THE ISSUE
(HON. ARON WIEDER, HON. ALDEN WOLFE, LEGISLATURE)

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narcotics addiction control and chemical dependence prevention programs for a total amount not to exceed \$112,148 [NCTD] for the calendar year 2016, and hereby authorizes the County Executive to execute the agreement, subject to the approval of the County Attorney; and be it further

RESOLVED, That sufficient funding for the agreement is provided for in the 2016 Budget of the Department of Mental Health.

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Introduced by:

Referral No. 8281

**RESOLUTION NO. OF 2015
APPROVING A TWO (2) YEAR LEASE AGREEMENT
WITH 26 NEW MAIN STREET LLC
FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH'S
OFF-SITE WIC PROGRAM AND CLINIC/SERVICES
IN A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$39,108 [NCTD]
FOR THE PERIOD FROM APRIL 15, 2016 THROUGH APRIL 14, 2018
AND AUTHORIZING ITS EXECUTION BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE
(DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH)
(\$39,108)**

WHEREAS, The Commissioner of Health recommends to the County Executive and the Legislature of Rockland County that the County enter into a two-year Lease Agreement with 26 New Main LLC, 26 New Main Street, Haverstraw, New York 10922, for the Department of Health's off-site WIC Program and Clinic/Services in a total amount not to exceed \$39,108 for the period from April 15, 2016 through April 14, 2018; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Health receives grant funds from the New York State Department of Health to maintain the WIC Program; and

WHEREAS, The County has provided the WIC Program at off-site clinics since 1995 in various locations; and

WHEREAS, The off-site clinic in Haverstraw serves over 300 individuals per quarter; and

WHEREAS, The current lease agreement expires on April 14, 2016; and

WHEREAS, The proposed annual rent for the approximate 1,030 square foot clinic, including base rent, real estate taxes, HVAC and CAM charges, is as follows: (1) 4/15/16-4/14/17 - \$1,605 per month and (2) 4/15/17-4/14/18 - \$1,654 per month; and

WHEREAS, The Real Property Tax Officer has advised that the proposed base rental rate for this space is reasonable in comparison to market rental rates in the area; and

WHEREAS, New York County Law § 215(3) requires the Legislature of Rockland County to approve all lease agreements entered into by the County; and

WHEREAS, The adoption of this resolution does not involve the expenditure of any County tax dollars [NCTD]; and

WHEREAS, Sufficient funding for this Lease Agreement is provided for in the 2016 Budget of the Department of Health and is contingent upon 2017-2018 budget appropriations; and

WHEREAS, The Committees of this Legislature have met, considered and approved this resolution, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Legislature of Rockland County hereby approves the two-year Lease Agreement with 26 New Main LLC, 26 New Main Street, Haverstraw, New York 10922, for the Department of Health's off-site WIC Program and Clinic/Services in a total amount not to exceed \$39,108 for the period from April 15, 2016 through April 14, 2018, and hereby authorizes the County Executive to execute the Lease Agreement on behalf of the County, subject to the approval of the County Attorney; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the adoption of this resolution does not involve the expenditure of any County tax dollars [NCTD]; and be it further

RESOLVED, That sufficient funding for this Lease Agreement is provided for in the 2016 Budget of the Department of Health and is contingent upon 2017-2018 budget appropriations.

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Introduced by:

Referral No. 8983

**RESOLUTION NO. OF 2016
APPROVING THE AGREEMENTS WHICH MAY BE IN EXCESS OF \$100,000
WITH THE LICENSED PERSONAL CARE AGENCIES
LISTED ON THE ANNEXED SCHEDULE A
TO PROVIDE THE SERVICES REQUIRED BY
NEW YORK SOCIAL SERVICES LAW § 365-A(2)(E) AND
TITLE 18 OF THE NEW YORK CODE, RULES AND REGULATIONS
FOR THE PERIOD FROM JANUARY 1, 2016 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2016
WITH TOTAL EXPENDITURES NOT TO EXCEED
THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES'
2016 BUDGET FOR PERSONAL CARE SERVICES
AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE
TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENTS
[DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES]**

WHEREAS, Pursuant to New York Social Services Law § 365-a(2)(e) and Title 18 of the New York Code, Rules and Regulations (NYCRR), the Commissioner of Social Services is required to administer personal care services to persons eligible to receive such services; and

WHEREAS, The Commissioner also is required by law to administer the Medicaid program including, when appropriate, approving home care services; and

WHEREAS, The necessary services are provided through various licensed agencies; and

WHEREAS, The choice of provider rests with the recipient; and

WHEREAS, Payment is made under the Medicaid program directly by New York State; and

WHEREAS, The Commissioner of the Department of Social Services therefore requests that the County Executive and the Legislature of Rockland County approve the agreements, which may be in excess of \$100,000, with the licensed personal care agencies listed on the annexed Schedule A to provide the services required pursuant to New York Social Services Law § 365-a(2)(e) and Title 18 of the NYCRR for the period from January 1, 2016 through June 30, 2016 with total expenditures not to exceed the Department of Social Services' 2016 Budget for personal care services; and

WHEREAS, Local Law No. 18 of 1996 provides for the Legislature to approve the "execution of all contracts in excess of \$100,000 entered into by the County"; and

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WHEREAS, Sufficient funding for these agreements exists in the 2016 Budget of the Department of Social Services in Dept. 6102, line E5060; and

WHEREAS, The and Committees of the Legislature have met, considered and approved this resolution; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Legislature of Rockland County hereby approves the agreements, which may be in excess of \$100,000, with the licensed personal care agencies listed on the annexed Schedule A to provide the services required by New York Social Services Law § 365-a(2)(e) and Title 18 of the New York Code, Rules and Regulations for the period from January 1, 2016 through June 30, 2016 with total expenditures not to exceed the Department of Social Services' 2016 Budget for personal care services, and authorizes the County Executive to execute the agreements, subject to the approval of the County Attorney; and be it further

RESOLVED, That sufficient funding for these agreements exists in the 2016 Budget of the Department of Social Services in Dept. 6102, line E5060.

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2016 PERSONAL SERVICES LIST

- 1 A & T Healthcare, Inc.
- 2 Abet Universal Services, Inc.
- 3 Accredited Aides-Plus, Inc.
- 4 At Home Ltd.
- 5 Avalanche Care, Inc.
- 6 Community Health Aide Services, Inc. d/b/a Community Health Care
- 7 Full Care, Inc.
- 8 Hamaspik of Rockland County, Inc.
- 9 Home Aides of Rockland, Inc.
- 10 New York Health Care, Inc.
- 11 Northern Services Group, Inc. d/b/a Northern Home Care
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Introduced by:

Hon. Ilan S. Schoenberger, Sponsor
Hon. Alden H. Wolfe, Sponsor

Referral No. 4496

, 2016

RESOLUTION NO. OF 2016
REQUESTING THAT NEW YORK STATE SENATE PASS BILL S.6452 TO
CONSOLIDATE ALL PRIMARY ELECTIONS ON THE FOURTH TUESDAY OF
JUNE BEFORE EVERY GENERAL ELECTION

WHEREAS, the federal Military Overseas Voter Empowerment (MOVE) Act, enacted on 2009, expanded the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act (UOCAVA) which allowed members of the armed services, their families and US citizens living outside the US to register and vote absentee in federal elections; and

WHEREAS, the MOVE act provided further protections of these voting rights by, among other provisions, requiring states to send out requested absentee ballots to UOCAVA voters no less than 45 days before a federal election, except where the state has been granted an undue hardship waiver approved by the Department of Defense; and

WHEREAS, New York Election Law as currently written is not in compliance with the 45-day requirement of the MOVE Act, although they did obtain a hardship waiver in 2010; and

WHEREAS, in order to bring New York Election Law into compliance and change the timeframe in which military and overseas ballots must be mailed, there must be various changes to the overall structure of the deadlines and due dates in the Election Law, culminating with a change in the primary date; and

WHEREAS, the federal non-presidential primary date is currently the fourth Tuesday in June; and

WHEREAS, there are three benefits to merging the federal and state primary dates: 1) such a merger will ensure that military and overseas voters will have the opportunity to vote; 2) it will prevent New Yorkers from having to vote in three separate primaries in a presidential election year; and 3) it will save New York state approximately \$25 million dollars in election costs; and

WHEREAS, according to the Rockland County Board of Elections, merging the primaries will save Rockland County approximately \$473,000 per year; and

WHEREAS, bill A.9108 (already passed by the New York State Assembly) and S.6452 would make various changes to the structure of deadlines and due dates in the Election Law, culminating with changing the state and local primary date to the fourth Tuesday in June, the same day as federal non-presidential primaries; and

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WHEREAS, the Committee has met, considered and by a vote, approved this resolution; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Legislature of Rockland County hereby requests the New York State Senate pass Bill S.6452 to consolidate all primary elections on the fourth Tuesday of June before every general election and that the Governor of New York sign such legislation; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk to the Legislature be and he is hereby authorized and directed to send a copy of this resolution to Hon. Andrew M. Cuomo, Governor of the State of New York; Hon. David Carlucci, Hon. William J. Larkin, Jr., New York State Senators, Hon. Kenneth P. Zebrowski, Jr., Hon. Ellen C. Jaffee, Hon. James G. Skoufis, and Hon. Karl Brabanec, Members of the New York State Assembly; the President Pro Tem of the New York State Senate; the Speaker of the New York State Assembly; the Majority and Minority Leaders of the New York State Senate and Assembly; and to such other persons as the Clerk, in his discretion, may deem proper in order to effectuate the purpose of this resolution.

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RESOLVED, that the Clerk to the Legislature be and is hereby authorized and directed to send a certified copy of this resolution Hon. Barack H. Obama, President of the United States; Hon. Charles Schumer and Hon. Kirsten Gillibrand, United States Senators; Hon. Nita M. Lowey, Member of the United States Congress; Thomas R. Kane, Acting Director, Federal Bureau of Prisons; Hon. Andrew M. Cuomo, Governor, State of New York; Hon. David Carlucci, Hon. William J. Larkin Jr., New York State Senators; Hon. Kenneth P. Zebrowski, Hon. Ellen C. Jaffee, Hon. James G. Skoufis, and Hon. Karl Brabanec, Members of the New York State Assembly; and to such other persons as the Clerk, in his discretion, may deem proper in order to effectuate the purpose of this resolution.

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Introduced by:

Referral No. 8116
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Hon. Christopher J. Carey, Sponsor
Hon. Lon M. Hofstein, Sponsor

RESOLUTION NO. OF 2016
SUPPORTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE PANEL LED BY EAST
RAMAPO CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MONITOR DENNIS WALCOTT TO
IMPLEMENT A MONITOR WITH VETO POWER OVER THE EAST RAMAPO
CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

WHEREAS, tensions in the East Ramapo Central School District (hereinafter the "District") between public and private school communities have bred unsupportable anger and mistrust; and

WHEREAS, the District's Board of Education (the "School Board") has been accused of diverting essential resources to private schools at the expense of the District's public school students; and

WHEREAS, of the approximately 24,000 students in the District, only approximately 8,000 attend public schools; and

WHEREAS, the public school students in the District are principally underprivileged minority students, with 84 percent classified as economically disadvantaged; and

WHEREAS, in August 2015 the New York State Department of Education Commissioner appointed former Chancellor of the New York City Department of Education Dennis Walcott to lead a three-person panel (the "panel") to report on the District and its School Board's governance; and

WHEREAS, in December 2015 the panel presented findings to the New York State Board of Regents with regard to the District in a report titled "Opportunity Deferred: A Report on the East Ramapo Central School District;" and

WHEREAS, among other things, the panel recommended that a monitor with veto power over School Board decisions be installed; and

WHEREAS, the monitor would ensure School Board compliance with Federal and New York State law and address the unique needs of the District, as well as provide important oversight; and

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WHEREAS, it is believed that a monitor with veto power will assist the School Board in improving finances, increasing academic opportunities for students, educating English language learners, and in improving School Board governance practices generally; and

WHEREAS, the _____ Committee has met, considered and by a _____ vote approved this Resolution; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Legislature of Rockland County hereby supports the recommendation by the panel led by East Ramapo Central School District Monitor Dennis Walcott to implement a monitor with veto power over the East Ramapo Central School District Board of Education; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk to the Legislature be and he is hereby authorized and directed to send a copy of this resolution to Hon. Andrew M. Cuomo, Governor of the State of New York; Hon. David Carlucci and Hon. William J. Larkin, Jr., New York State Senators; Hon. Kenneth P. Zebrowski, Hon. Ellen C. Jaffee, Hon. James G. Skoufis, and Hon. Karl A. Brabenec, Members of the New York State Assembly; the President Pro Tem of the New York State Senate; the Speaker of the New York State Assembly; the Majority and Minority Leaders of the New York State Senate and Assembly; and to such other persons as the Clerk, in his discretion, may deem proper in order to effectuate the purpose of this resolution.

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WHEREAS, The County Executive has appointed Aron Reiner, Spring Valley, New York to a vacancy on the Rockland County Community Services Board; and

~~WHEREAS, With the approval of this resolution there will be one (1) vacancy remaining on the Board; and~~

WHEREAS, Aron Reiner is a professional in the fields of health, social service and behavioral health; and

WHEREAS, The Committee of the Legislature has met, considered and approved this resolution; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Legislature of Rockland County hereby confirms the appointment of Aron Reiner, Spring Valley, New York to the Rockland County Community Services Board; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk to the Legislature is directed to forward a copy of this resolution to the Community Services Board and to the appointee, Aron Reiner.

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