

OFFICE OF CITY CLERK
SCHENECTADY, NEW YORK
AGENDA FOR
THE COUNCIL CAUCUS
AND
THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, February 23, 2026
Room 209
7:00 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING

001

Chapter 183 of the Schenectady City Code
Entitled "Nuisances"

ORIGINAL CONSIDERATION

01 Council Member

A RESOLUTION Calling for a Public Hearing
for the Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy
Area (NRSA)

Votes Required 4

ORIGINAL CONSIDERATION

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Accept a \$201,933.85 Assistance to
Firefighters Grant

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Votes Required 4

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Votes Required 04

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Votes Required 4

11 Council Member

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A RESOLUTION Honoring Beloved Community Member Marsha Mortimore

Votes Required 4

12 Council Member

ORIGINAL CONSIDERATION

A RESOLUTION Recognizing Women’s History Month and the 4th Annual “We March to Celebrate Women” Schenectady Women’s March Celebration being Held on March 7, 2026

Votes Required 4

13 Council Member

ORIGINAL CONSIDERATION

A RESOLUTION Authorizing Settlement of a Claim with Charter Communications

Votes Required 4

14 Council Member

ORIGINAL CONSIDERATION

A RESOLUTION Authorizing Settlement of a Claim with John D. Marcella and Sons Appliances, Inc.

Votes Required 4

15 Council Member

ORIGINAL CONSIDERATION

A RESOLUTION Authorizing Settlement of a Claim by Anushka Kalicharan

Votes Required 4

16 Council Member

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A RESOLUTION Authorizing Settlement of a Claim with Jill Dittmar

Votes Required 4

17 Council Member

ORIGINAL CONSIDERATION

A RESOLUTIONS Authorizing Settlement of a Claim with John Ballard

Votes Required 4

18 Council Member

ORIGINAL CONSIDERATION

A RESOLUTION Authorizing the Settlement of Tax Certiorari Actions by the Respective Owners of Unit 102, Unit 106, Unit 207, and Unit 303 of 1201 Nott Street

Votes Required 4



**CITY COUNCIL
SCHENECTADY, NEW YORK**

Councilmember

Offered the Following:

An Ordinance to amend Chapter 183, of the Schenectady City Code to reflect the updates in the New York State Penal Law.

The Council of the City of Schenectady in regular meeting convened, ordains as follows:

Section 1. Purpose: To amend the Schenectady City Code to reflect the changes in the New York State Penal Law.

Section 2. Section 183-1(B)(1) of the Schenectady City Code is amended as follows:

Article I. Nuisance Abatement

Section 183-1. Legislative findings; nuisances enumerated; abatement.

A. Declaration of legislative findings.

(1) The Council finds that public nuisances exist in the City of Schenectady in the operation of certain establishments and the use of property in flagrant violation of certain **Penal Law** and Municipal Code provisions, which nuisances substantially and seriously interfere with the interest of the public in the quality of life and total community environment, commerce in the City, property values and the public health, safety and welfare.

(2) The Council further finds that the continued occurrence of such activities and violations is detrimental to the health, safety and welfare of the people of the City of Schenectady and of the businesses thereof and the visitors thereto. It is the purpose of the Council to authorize and empower the Mayor to impose sanctions and penalties for such public nuisances, and such powers of the Mayor may be exercised either in conjunction with or apart from the powers contained in other laws without prejudice to the use of procedures and remedies available under such other laws.

(3) The Council further finds that the sanctions and penalties imposed by the Mayor pursuant to this chapter constitute an additional and appropriate method of law enforcement in response to the proliferation of the above-described public nuisances. The sanctions and penalties are

reasonable and necessary in order to protect the health and safety of the people of the City and to promote the general welfare.

B. Public nuisances defined. For purposes of this section, a public nuisance shall be deemed to exist whenever through violations of any of the following provisions resulting from separate incidents at a building, erection or place, 12 or more points are accumulated within a period of 12 months, or 18 or more points within a period of 24 months, in accordance with the following point system. Where more than one violation occurs during a single incident, the total points for the incident shall be the highest point value assigned to any single violation.

(1) The following violations shall be assigned a point value of six points:

(a) Article **220** of the Penal Law (controlled substances offenses).

(b) Article ~~**221**~~ **222** of the Penal Law (offenses involving marijuana).

(c) Article **225** of the Penal Law (gambling offenses).

(d) Article **230** of the Penal Law (prostitution offenses).

(e) Sections **165.40**, **165.45**, **165.50**, **165.52** and **165.54** of the Penal Law (criminal possession of stolen property).

(f) The **Alcoholic Beverage Control Law**.

(g) Article **265** of the Penal Law (firearms and other dangerous weapons).

(h) Sections **260.20** and **260.21** of the Penal Law (unlawfully dealing with a child).

(i) Article **263** of the Penal Law (sexual performance by a child).

(j) Section **415-a** of the Vehicle and Traffic Law (vehicle dismantlers).

(k) Section **175.10** of the Penal Law (falsifying business records).

(l) Sections **170.65** and **170.70** of the Penal Law (forgery of and illegal possession of a vehicle identification number).

(m) Possession, use, sale or offer for sale of any alcoholic beverage in violation of Article **18** of the Tax Law, or of any cigarette or tobacco products in violation of Article **20** of the Tax Law.

(n) Article **158** of the Penal Law, (welfare fraud).

(o) Article **178** of the Penal Law (criminal diversion of prescription medications and prescriptions).

(p) Section **147** of the Social Services Law (food stamp program fraud).

(q) Any other felony under New York State law.

(r) Chapter **182** of the Code (noise).

(2) The following violations shall be assigned a point value of four points:

(a) Chapter **167** of the Code (housing standards and property maintenance).

(b) Operating a business during hours which the business is required to be closed pursuant to Chapter **264** of the Code (Zoning Ordinance).

(c) Allowing persons on the premises in excess of occupancy limits.

(d) Any other misdemeanor under New York State law.

(3) The following violations shall be assigned a point value of three points:

(a) Chapter **192** of the Code (peace and good order).

(b) Chapter **144** of the Code (dogs and other animals).

(c) Chapter **260** of the Code (weights and measures; trade practices).

(d) Chapter **126** of the Code (alcoholic beverages).

(e) Suffering or permitting the premises to become disorderly, including suffering or permitting fighting or lewdness.

(f) Any other violation [under New York State Law or](#) under the City Code of Schenectady.

(4) For purposes of this section, a conviction for an offense in a court of competent jurisdiction or an administrative bureau shall not be required. Instead, the City shall prove by a preponderance of the evidence that the violations have occurred. However, a conviction, as defined and applied in accordance with the provisions of § **1.20** of the Criminal Procedure Law, in any court of competent jurisdiction, or a written acknowledgment of violation in a civil compromise proceeding in the Bureau of Consumer Protection, shall constitute conclusive proof of a violation. Conviction of an attempt to commit a violation of any of the specified provisions shall be considered a conviction for a violation of the specified provision.

C.

Abatement. For the purposes of this chapter, "abatement" shall mean a concerted effort by a person with an interest in a licensed business to severely diminish or eliminate the activity or activities constituting the nuisance found to exist at or within the premises. Abatement may include, by way of example and not exclusion: hiring of security personnel, lighting changes, video or audio monitoring equipment, signage, cooperation with police and other enforcement agencies, bureaus, departments and authorities, eviction or court action.

§ 183-2 Powers of Mayor with respect to public nuisances.

A. In ~~in~~ the event that a licensee does not abate the nuisance, the Mayor may by written order decide to hold a hearing at which he or his designee shall preside. The hearing shall be open to the public, and shall be upon at least five days' notice. At any such hearing or continuation thereof, the licensee shall be entitled to be represented by counsel, and all persons shall have the right to present evidence, witnesses or proof, not limited to that evidence, witnesses or proof entitled to be introduced into courts.

B. In addition to the enforcement procedures established elsewhere, the Mayor or the Mayor's designee, after notice and opportunity for a hearing with respect to a public nuisance, shall be authorized:

- (1)** To order the closing of the building, erection or place to the extent necessary to abate the nuisance;
- (2)** To suspend for a period not to exceed six months or revoke for a period of one year a certificate of use issued for such premises, and to prevent the operator from obtaining a new certificate of use for another location for the period of suspension or revocation;
- (3)** To suspend for a period not to exceed six months or revoke for a period of one year any occupational license or permit issued by the City related to the conduct of a business or trade at the premises, which suspension or revocation shall also apply to any other locations operated by the holder for which the license or permit is required; or
- (4)** Any combination of the above.

C. Service of notice.

(1) Prior to the issuance of orders by the Mayor or the Mayor's designee pursuant to this section, the Mayor or the Mayor's designee shall give notice and opportunity for a hearing to the owner, lessor, lessee and mortgagee of a building, erection or place wherein the public nuisance is being conducted, maintained or permitted. Such notice shall be served upon an owner pursuant to Article 3 of the Civil Practice Law and Rules, upon a lessor or lessee pursuant to § 735 of the Real Property

Actions and Proceedings Law, and upon a mortgage means of certified mail, return receipt requested, sent to the mortgagee's last known address, or by service upon the Clerk of the City if a rental certificate for the building has been issued, provided that any service other than delivery to the person to be served shall be complete immediately upon delivery, mailing or posting without the necessity of filing proof of service with the clerk of any court or agency before the hearing. The person in whose name the real estate affected by the orders of the Mayor or the Mayor's designee as recorded in the office of the County Clerk shall be presumed to be the owner thereof. Proceedings shall be commenced by service of the notice and opportunity for a hearing within 60 days after the occurrence of the most recent violation cited in the notice.

(2) The lack of knowledge of, acquiescence or participation in or responsibility for a public nuisance on the part of the owners, lessors, lessees, mortgagees and all those persons in possession or having charge of as agent or otherwise, or having any interest in the property, real or personal used in conducting or maintaining the public nuisance, shall not be a defense by such owners, lessors and lessees, mortgagees and such other persons.

D. Orders of the Mayor or the Mayor's designee issued pursuant to this section shall be posted at the building, erection or place where a public nuisance exists or is occurring in violation of law and shall be mailed to the owner of record thereof within one business day of the posting.

E. Five business days after the posting of an order issued pursuant to this section and upon the written directive of the Mayor or the Mayor's designee, officers of the Schenectady Police Department are authorized to act upon and enforce such orders.

F. Where the Mayor or the Mayor's designee closes a building, erection or place pursuant to this section, such closing shall be for such period as the Mayor or the Mayor's designee may direct, but in no event shall the closing be for a period of more than one year from the posting of the order pursuant to this section. If the owner, lessor or lessee shall file a bond in an amount determined by the Mayor or the Mayor's designee but which may not exceed the value of the property ordered to be closed and submit proof satisfactory to the Mayor or the Mayor's designee that the nuisance has been abated and will not be created, maintained or permitted for such period of time as the building, erection or place has been directed to be closed by the order of the Mayor or the Mayor's designee, then the Mayor or the Mayor's designee may vacate the provisions of the order that direct the closing of the building, erection or place.

G. A closing directed by the Mayor or the Mayor's designee pursuant to this section shall not constitute an act of possession, ownership or control by the City of the closed premises.

H. It shall be a misdemeanor for any person to use or occupy or to permit any other person to use or occupy any building, erection or place or portion thereof ordered closed by the Mayor or the Mayor's designee. Mutilation or removal of a posted order of the Mayor or the Mayor's designee shall be punishable by a fine of not more than \$250 or by imprisonment not exceeding 15 days, or both, provided that such order contains therein a notice of such penalty.

I. Intentional disobedience or resistance to any provision of the orders issued by the Mayor or the Mayor's designee pursuant to this section, in addition to any other punishment prescribed by law,

shall be punishable by a fine of not more than \$1,000 or by imprisonment not to exceed six months, or both.

J. The Mayor or the Mayor's designee may promulgate rules and regulations to carry out and give full effect to the provisions of this section.

K. If any provision of this section or the application thereof to any person or circumstances is held invalid, the remainder of this section and the application of such provisions to other persons and circumstances shall not be rendered invalid thereby.

L. The Mayor shall prepare a quarterly report to be submitted to City Council summarizing the actions taken under this section and indicating the results of such actions.

Section 3: This Ordinance shall take effect immediately

Approved as Form

__day December 2025

Maxine Barasch, Esq.

Corporation Counsel

New language is underlined.



**CITY COUNCIL
SCHENECTADY, NEW YORK**

RESOLUTION NO.

Councilmember

offered the following:

RESOLVED, that the City Council will conduct a public hearing in relation to:

The City of Schenectady's Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area (NRSA) Plan.

Said Public hearing shall be held on Monday, March 9, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. at Council Chambers, Room 209, Schenectady City Hall, 105 Jay Street, Schenectady, New York, for the purpose of receiving public comment relative to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development's approval of the renewal of the City of Schenectady's Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area (NRSA) Plan.

RESOLVED, that copies of the NRSA Plan be made available at the City Clerk's Office and the City of Schenectady website at www.cityofschenectady.com for public inspection beginning no later than March 2, 2026; and be it further

RESOLVED, that all interested parties may also be heard by submitting written comments to the City Clerk via www.cityofschenectady.com/158/City-Council, by email at smykoo@schenectadyny.gov, or mail at City Clerk, 105 Jay St., Schenectady, NY 12305, by 12:00 p.m. on March 9, 2026 ; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the City Clerk shall have the following notice published in the appropriate manner:

**NOTICE OF
PUBLIC HEARING**

The City of Schenectady's Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area (NRSA) Plan.

On Monday, March 9, 2026, at 7:00 p.m., the Schenectady City Council shall conduct a public hearing in relation to the above-referenced matter. Said public hearing shall be held in Council Chambers, Room 209, Schenectady City Hall, 105 Jay Street, Schenectady, New York, for the purpose of receiving public comment relative to the above-referenced matter.

All interested parties may also be heard by submitting written comments to the City Clerk via www.cityofschenectady.com/158/City-Council, by email at smykoo@schenectadyny.gov, or mail at City

Clerk, 105 Jay St., Schenectady, NY 12305, by 12:00 p.m. on March 9, 2026. Copies of the NRSA Plan will be made available at the City Clerk's Office and the City of Schenectady website at www.cityofschenectady.com for public inspection beginning no later than March 2, 2026.

Approved as to form this
____ February 2026.

Maxine Barasch, Esq.
Corporation Counsel

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**CITY COUNCIL
SCHENECTADY, NEW YORK**

RESOLUTION NO.

Councilmember

offered the following:

A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Accept a \$201,933.85 Assistance to Firefighters Grant.

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Homeland Security-Federal Emergency Management Administration (FEMA) has awarded the City of Schenectady an Assistance to Firefighters Grant in the amount of \$201,933.85; and

WHEREAS, the Grant will facilitate crucial additional training by covering personnel costs for attendance at the Emergency Vehicle Operators Course; and

WHEREAS, the Grant will also be used for Captains and all superior ranks to be provided with Fire Instructor II and Fire Officer II courses; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute any and all agreements necessary to effectuate the acceptance of the \$201,933.85 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Award monies from FEMA with the \$20,193.39 in matching funds from the City of Schenectady.

Approved as to form this
_____ day of February 2026.

Maxine L. Barasch Esq
Corporation Counsel



**CITY COUNCIL
SCHENECTADY, NEW YORK**

RESOLUTION NO.

Councilmember

offered the following:

A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Accept a \$2,008,304.50 Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response Grant.

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Homeland Security-Federal Emergency Management Administration (FEMA) has awarded the City of Schenectady a Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) Grant in the amount of \$2,008,304.50; and

WHEREAS, the Grant will enable the City of Schenectady Fire Department to hire ten new firefighters and thereby mitigating the anticipated staffing deficit in the Department; and

WHEREAS, the Grant allocation over the first three years equals \$2,008,304.50 and the City of Schenectady's financial allocation over the first three years equals \$1,248,710.00, with the breakdown of funding as follows: year one; 75% Federal, 25% City; year two 75% Federal, 25% City; and year 3; 35% Federal, 65% City; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute any and all agreements necessary to effectuate the acceptance of \$2,008,304.50 SAFER Grant.

Approved as to form this
_____ day of February 2026.

Maxine L. Barasch Esq
Corporation Counsel



**CITY COUNCIL
SCHENECTADY, NEW YORK**

RESOLUTION NO.

Councilmember

offered the following:

A Resolution Transmitting to the Schenectady County Planning Department Proposed Changes to the Schenectady Zoning Ordinance Entitled “Adding the Definition of Battery Energy Storage Facilities to Section 264-2 to the Schenectady City Code to Allow Battery Storage Facilities in Designated Districts.”

WHEREAS, the City of Schenectady has determined the regulation of the placement of Battery Energy Storage Facilities is necessary; and

WHEREAS, per New York General Municipal Law Section 239-m the City of Schenectady is required to submit proposed Zoning Ordinance changes to the Schenectady County Planning Department for its review;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT,

RESOLVED, that the Schenectady City Council hereby transmits to the Schenectady County Planning Department for its review and comment proposed changes to the City of Schenectady Zoning Code entitled “Adding the Definition of Battery Energy Storage Facilities to Section 264-2 to the Schenectady City Code to allow Battery Storage Facilities in Designated Districts.”

Approved as to form this
_____ of February 2026

Maxine Barasch, Esq.
Corporation Counsel



**CITY COUNCIL
SCHENECTADY, NEW YORK**

RESOLUTION NO.

Councilmember

offered the following:

**A Resolution Authorizing the Sale of a Vacant Lot at 274 Duane Avenue
for \$3,000**

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the City of Schenectady to sell parcel numbered SBL # 49.49-1-25, and

WHEREAS, there is no municipal use for the properties:

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT,

RESOLVED, that the City Council authorizes the Mayor to enter into a contract to transfer the title of parcel numbered SBL # 49.49-1-25 to BRIAN LACKRAM BISNAUTH and/or assign for the sum of THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$3,000); and be it further

RESOLVED, that SBL # 49.49-1-25 be merged with existing property belonging to BRIAN LACKRAM BISNAUTH located at 270 DUANE AVENUE (SBL # 49.49-1-24), at closing. and

RESOLVED, that the terms of the contract for sale shall include any terms deemed necessary by the Corporation Counsel.

Approved as to form this
____ day of February, 2026.

Maxine L. Barasch, Esq.
Corporation Counsel



**CITY COUNCIL
SCHENECTADY, NEW YORK**

RESOLUTION NO.

Councilmember

offered the following:

**A Resolution Authorizing the Sale of a Vacant Lot at
405 Duane Avenue for \$8,000**

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the City of Schenectady to sell parcels numbered SBL # 49.50-5-55, and

WHEREAS, there is no municipal use for the properties:

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT,

RESOLVED, that the City Council authorizes the Mayor to enter into a contract to transfer the title of parcel numbered SBL # 49.50-5-55 to FAZINA H. MADHOO and JAIGOBIN MADHOO and/or assign for the sum of EIGHT THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$8,000); and be it further

RESOLVED, that the terms of the contract for sale shall include a clause stating that the sale is subject to applicable approvals from the Zoning Board of Appeals and/or Planning Commission prior to the transfer of title; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the terms of the contract for the construction of a new residential building shall contain a clause requiring that purchaser pay \$500 at closing for building, electrical, plumbing and other applicable permits, that rehabilitation of the property begin within thirty days of the purchase, and that total rehabilitation of the property, requiring compliance with the State Building Code and securing appropriate building permits with necessary inspections be completed within two year of purchase, as well as any other terms deemed necessary by the Corporation Counsel.

Approved as to form this
____ day of February 2026.

Maxine L. Barasch, Esq.
Corporation Counsel



**CITY COUNCIL
SCHENECTADY, NEW YORK**

RESOLUTION NO.

Councilmember

offered the following:

A Resolution Authorizing the Sale of 814 Bedford Road for \$75,000.

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the City of Schenectady to sell parcel numbered SBL #49.28-2-32; and

WHEREAS, there is no municipal use for the property:

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT,

RESOLVED, that the City Council authorizes the Mayor to enter into a contract to transfer the title of parcel numbered SBL # 49.28-2-32 to MUHAMMAD FARRUKH JAWAD and/or assign for the sum of SEVENTY FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$75,000); and be it further

RESOLVED, that the terms of the contract for sale to an Owner-Occupant Buyer shall contain a clause requiring that purchaser pay \$500 at closing for building, electrical, plumbing and other applicable permits, that rehabilitation of the property begin within thirty days of the purchase, and that total rehabilitation of the property, requiring compliance with the State Building Code and securing appropriate building permits with necessary inspections be completed within one year of purchase, as well as any other terms deemed necessary by the Corporation Counsel.

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Maxine L. Barasch, Esq.
Corporation Counsel



**CITY COUNCIL
SCHENECTADY, NEW YORK**

RESOLUTION NO.

Councilmember

offered the following:

A Resolution Authorizing the Sale of 942 Emmett Street for \$100,001.

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the City of Schenectady to sell parcel numbered SBL #49.50-2-38; and

WHEREAS, there is no municipal use for the property:

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT,

RESOLVED, that the City Council authorizes the Mayor to enter into a contract to transfer the title of parcel numbered SBL # 49.50-2-38 to JFJA LLC and/or assign for the sum of ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND AND ONE DOLLARS (\$100,001); and be it further

RESOLVED, that the terms of the contract for sale to an Investor Buyer shall contain a clause requiring that purchaser pay \$500 at closing for building, electrical, plumbing and other applicable permits, that rehabilitation of the property begin within thirty days of the purchase, and that total rehabilitation of the property, requiring compliance with the State Building Code and securing appropriate building permits with necessary inspections be completed within 6 Months of purchase, as well as any other terms deemed necessary by the Corporation Counsel.

Approved as to form this
____ day of February 2026.

Maxine L. Barasch, Esq.
Corporation Counsel



**CITY COUNCIL
SCHENECTADY, NEW YORK**

RESOLUTION NO.

Councilmember

offered the following:

A Resolution Authorizing the Sale of 1013 Delamont Avenue for \$111,500.00.

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the City of Schenectady to sell parcel numbered SBL # 49.41-2-37; and

WHEREAS, there is no municipal use for the property:

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT,

RESOLVED, that the City Council authorizes the Mayor to enter into a contract to transfer the title of parcel numbered SBL # 49.41-2-37 to ANDREW TILLACK and/or assign for the sum of ONE HUNDRED ELEVEN THOUSND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$111,500.00); and be it further

RESOLVED, that the terms of the contract for sale to an Investor Buyer shall contain a clause requiring that purchaser pay \$500 at closing for building, electrical, plumbing and other applicable permits, that rehabilitation of the property begin within thirty days of the purchase, and that total rehabilitation of the property, requiring compliance with the State Building Code and securing appropriate building permits with necessary inspections be completed within 6 Months of purchase, as well as any other terms deemed necessary by the Corporation Counsel.

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Maxine L. Barasch, Esq.
Corporation Counsel



**CITY COUNCIL
SCHENECTADY, NEW YORK**

RESOLUTION NO.

Councilmember

offered the following:

A Resolution Amending Resolutions 2022-009 and 2022-224 to Reallocate American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funding for the Hamilton Hill Arts Center.

WHEREAS, the Schenectady City Council previously approved Resolutions 2022-009 and 2022-224 that allocated \$1,200,000.00 in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding to the Hamilton Hill Arts Center (HHAC); and

WHEREAS, HHAC has requested the restructuring of its previous allocation of ARPA funding to amend the scope of the work to permit ARPA reimbursement for 409 Schenectady Street work in addition to the already approved work at 412 Schenectady Street in order to fully and efficiently use the allocated ARPA funds for the HHAC's Cultural Campus Project; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT,

RESOLVED, that the City Council amends Resolutions 2022-009 and 2022-224 for the project identified hereinabove by restructuring the HHAC Cultural Campus Project to include and prioritize the listed work at 409 Schenectady Street as defined by HHAC's "Plan B" renovation of 409 Schenectady Street.

Approved as to form this
__day of February 2026.

Maxine Barasch, Esq.
Corporation Counsel



**CITY COUNCIL
SCHENECTADY, NEW YORK**

RESOLUTION NO.

Councilmember

offered the following:

A Resolution Honoring Beloved Community Member Marsha Mortimore

WHEREAS, Marsha Mortimore, our beloved community member, transitioned from this earthly journey to eternal life on December 27, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Marsha Mortimore (nee Modest) was born and raised in the city of Schenectady, graduated from Mont Pleasant High School and earned an Associate Degree from Maria College; and

WHEREAS, she was married to Leonard Mortimore for 57 years, and they have four children, twelve grandchildren, and fifteen great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Marsha was an author and historian, she worked tirelessly to compile “The Early African-American Presence in the City and County of Schenectady,” which documents the history and contributions of African Americans locally. She was instrumental in securing the placement of a historical marker at the first site of the Duryee AME Zion Church, of which she was a proud member, on Jay Street in Schenectady across from City Hall; and

WHEREAS, Marsha Mortimore retired from the New York State Department of Labor, where she worked for 46 years; during the last 8 years, she worked as a workforce job training specialist. During her years of State employment, she worked for the New York State Assembly and Senate, in the Executive Chamber for the Governor’s Advisory Committee for Black Affairs and the New York State Division for Women. Working was part of her nature. After retirement, she still worked in the New York State Senate for Senator Comrie; and

WHEREAS, Marsha was a community activist. Among her many accomplishments are, in 1993, as part of the YWCA Black History Month celebration, Marsha established the Unsung Heroines Award to acknowledge the significant contributions of women of color in the community who were not normally recognized.

Marsha was the founder and organizer of Women of Color for Change. A nonpartisan voter mobilization initiative established in 2006 to develop strategies to get people of color and other disenfranchised individuals more involved in the political process.

Marsha was the Vice President of the Schenectady Silhouettes, a civic organization that awarded the Marshall G. Jones scholarship, which was open to the public and gave preference to students of color who were economically disadvantaged and had a GPA of 3.0 or greater, and the James and Minnie Stamper Scholarship for older returning college students; and

WHEREAS, Marsha’s community service included serving as the Vice President of Membership and on the Diversity Committee of the Schenectady YWCA and being a mentor for the Working Group on Girls of Schenectady Inc. She assisted family by creating videos and programs for the life celebration services; and

WHEREAS, Marsha was the recipient of the following community awards:

The Hamilton Hills Arts Center Award for Volunteerism; in 2005 the YWCA Volunteer of the Year Award; in 2007 the Katherine S. Rozendaal Award – Volunteer Leadership Award and the Outstanding Service Award for 170th Church Anniversary; in 2008 Martina Neugebauer Memorial Award from Center for Community Justice and the Certificate of Appreciation from the City of Schenectady; in 2010 Hughes Williams Helping Hands Committee Community Service Award; in 2011 YWCA President’s Circle Award; 2013 Susan B. Anthony Award and in 2014 the Jefferson Award.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT,

RESOLVED, that the Schenectady City Council and Mayor Gary R. McCarthy, do hereby pause in their deliberations to honor the memory and legacy of Marsha Mortimore, a beloved community member who was always uplifting people and documented the important history of African Americans in the city of Schenectady.

Approved as to form this
23rd day of February, 2026

Maxine Barasch, Esq.
Corporation Counsel



**CITY COUNCIL
SCHENECTADY, NEW YORK**

RESOLUTION NO.

Councilmember

offered the following:

**A Resolution Recognizing Women’s History Month and the
4th Annual “We March to Celebrate Women” Schenectady Women’s March
Celebration being Held on March 7, 2026**

WHEREAS, in March 1987, the 100th Congress of the United States enacted Public Law 100-9, designating the month of March as Women’s History Month, in recognition of the vital role women have played in shaping the history, culture, and progress of our nation; and

WHEREAS, women—across generations, cultures, and communities—have made extraordinary contributions in public service, education, healthcare, the arts, labor, family life, and civic leadership, often while overcoming systemic barriers and inequities; and

WHEREAS, despite these contributions, many women continue to experience discrimination, bullying, and acts of verbal, emotional, and physical violence, including domestic violence, which undermine safety, dignity, and equality; and

WHEREAS, communities have a shared responsibility to stand in solidarity with women, to raise awareness, to promote respect, and to affirm that all women deserve to live free from harm, intimidation, and abuse; and

WHEREAS, Schenectady’s Women’s March Celebration — “We March to Celebrate Women”, to be held on Saturday, March 7, 2026, marks the 4th Annual community walk during Women’s History Month, bringing together residents and organizations in joy, unity, and purpose; and

WHEREAS, this 1.5-mile walk through Schenectady serves as a visible expression of community support for women everywhere, honoring their strength, resilience, and enduring contributions while fostering awareness, compassion, and mutual respect;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT,

RESOLVED, that the Schenectady City Council, and the Mayor, do hereby pause their deliberations to honor, celebrate, and recognize Women’s History Month and the 4th Annual “We March to Celebrate Women” Schenectady Women’s March Celebration to be held on March 7, 2026.

Approved as to form this
___ day of February 2026.

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**CITY COUNCIL
SCHENECTADY, NEW YORK**

RESOLUTION NO.:

Councilmember

offered the following:

A Resolution Authorizing the Settlement of a Claim

WHEREAS, Charter Communications filed a claim (2025-057B) with the City of Schenectady; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the Corporation Counsel has recommended that it would be in the best interest of the City to settle this matter; and

WHEREAS, the settlement proposal was accepted by the City Claims Committee:

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT,

RESOLVED, that the Office of the Corporation Counsel is authorized to enter into a settlement to settle the claim for \$4,614.25 the terms of which shall be set by the Corporation Counsel.

Approved as to form this
___ day of February 2026.

Maxine L. Barasch, Esq.
Corporation Counsel

RESOLUTION adopted unanimously

_____by Council Members

Approved by Mayor _____

Vetoed by Mayor _____



**CITY COUNCIL
SCHENECTADY, NEW YORK**

RESOLUTION NO.:

Councilmember

offered the following:

A Resolution Authorizing the Settlement of a Claim

WHEREAS, John D. Marcella and Sons Appliances Inc filed a claim (2025-064) with the City of Schenectady; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the Corporation Counsel has recommended that it would be in the best interest of the City to settle this matter; and

WHEREAS, the settlement proposal was accepted by the City Claims Committee:

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT,

RESOLVED, that the Office of the Corporation Counsel is authorized to enter into a settlement to settle the claim for \$11,176.93 the terms of which shall be set by the Corporation Counsel.

Approved as to form this
___ day of February 2026.

Maxine L. Barasch, Esq.
Corporation Counsel

RESOLUTION adopted unanimously

_____ by Council Members

Approved by Mayor _____

Vetoed by Mayor _____



**CITY COUNCIL
SCHENECTADY, NEW YORK**

RESOLUTION NO.:

Councilmember

offered the following:

A Resolution Authorizing the Settlement of a Claim

WHEREAS, Anushka Kalicharan filed a claim (2024-058) and further litigation(6567) with the City of Schenectady; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the Corporation Counsel has recommended that it would be in the best interest of the City to settle this matter; and

WHEREAS, the settlement proposal was accepted by the City Claims Committee:

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT,

RESOLVED, that the Office of the Corporation Counsel is authorized to enter into a settlement to settle the claim for \$9,855.00, the terms of which shall be set by the Corporation Counsel.

Approved as to form this
__ day of February 2026.

Maxine L. Barasch, Esq.
Corporation Counsel

RESOLUTION adopted unanimously

_____by Council Members

Approved by Mayor _____

Vetoed by Mayor _____



**CITY COUNCIL
SCHENECTADY, NEW YORK**

RESOLUTION NO.:

Councilmember

offered the following:

A Resolution Authorizing the Settlement of a Claim

WHEREAS Dittmar, Jill filed a claim (2026-005) with the City of Schenectady; and

WHEREAS the Office of the Corporation Counsel has recommended that it would be in the best interest of the City to settle this matter; and

WHEREAS the settlement proposal was accepted by the City Claims Committee:

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT,

RESOLVED, that the Office of the Corporation Counsel is authorized to enter into a settlement to settle the claim for \$2,946.04 the terms of which shall be set by the Corporation Counsel.

Approved as to form this
___ day of February 2026.

Maxine L. Barasch, Esq.
Corporation Counsel

RESOLUTION adopted unanimously

_____ by Council Members

Approved by Mayor _____

Vetoed by Mayor _____



**CITY COUNCIL
SCHENECTADY, NEW YORK**

RESOLUTION NO.:

Councilmember

offered the following:

A Resolution Authorizing the Settlement of a Claim

WHEREAS, John Ballard filed a claim (2025-062) with the City of Schenectady; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the Corporation Counsel has recommended that it would be in the best interest of the City to settle this matter; and

WHEREAS, the settlement proposal was accepted by the City Claims Committee:

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT,

RESOLVED, that the Office of the Corporation Counsel is authorized to enter into a settlement to settle the claim for \$4,318.38, the terms of which shall be set by the Corporation Counsel.

Approved as to form this
__ day of February 2026.

Maxine L. Barasch, Esq.
Corporation Counsel

RESOLUTION adopted unanimously

_____ by Council Members

Approved by Mayor _____

Vetoed by Mayor _____



**CITY COUNCIL
SCHENECTADY, NEW YORK**

RESOLUTION NO.

Councilmember

offered the following:

**A Resolution Authorizing the Settlement of Tax Certiorari Actions by the
Respective Owners of Unit 102, Unit 106, Unit 207, and Unit 303 of 1201 Nott Street.**

WHEREAS, the respective owners of Unit 102, Unit 106, Unit 207, Unit 303 of 1201 Nott Street instituted tax certiorari actions to review the assessments upon the properties (Index Nos. 2025-1656, 2025-1657, 2025-1658, and 2025-1659); and

WHEREAS, the City Corporation Counsel has negotiated settlement of the actions and having apprised the City Council of the same, and the Claims Committee having approved the settlements as follows

<u>Address</u>	<u>S/B/L</u>	<u>Years</u>	<u>Assessment at Issue</u>	<u>Settlement Assessment</u>
1201 Nott St, Unit 102	39.60-1-102	2025-2028	\$592,800	\$225,264
1201 Nott St, Unit 106	39.60-1-106	2025-2028	\$425,000	\$178,500
1201 Nott St, Unit 207	39.60-1-207	2025-2028	\$548,500	\$181,005
1201 Nott St, Unit 303	39.60-1-303	2025-2028	\$554,000	\$221,600

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the settlements proposed by the Corporation Counsel are hereby approved and the relevant personnel of the City are hereby authorized to make and execute such documents as may be necessary and acceptable by the City's Office of Corporation Counsel to give such effect to such settlements in accordance with the above.

Approved as to form this
___ day of February 2026.

Maxine L. Barasch, Esq.
Corporation Counsel