



THE CITY OF POUGHKEEPSIE
NEW YORK

COMMON COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Monday, April 3, 2023, 6:30 p.m.

Common Council Chambers

Welcome to the regularly scheduled Meeting of the City of Poughkeepsie Common Council the date is Monday, April 3, 2023, and the time is 6:30 pm.

I. ROLL CALL: 7 Present, 2 Absent (Councilmember Diechler, Councilmember Johnson arrived after roll call was taken)

II. REVIEW OF MINUTES:

Common Council Meeting – March 20, 2023

Motion to accept the minutes: Councilmember Long, Seconded by Councilmember Flowers.

CCM Minutes of March 20, 2023 VOICE VOTE			Yes/Aye	No/Nay	Abstain	Absent
☒ Accepted ☐ Defeated ☐ Tabled	Councilmember Grant	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Councilmember Long	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Councilmember Flowers	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Councilmember Diechler	Voter	☐	☐	☐	☒
	Councilmember Thompson	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Councilmember Johnson	Voter	☐	☐	☐	☒
	Councilmember Menist	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Councilmember Shook	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Chairwoman Brown	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐

III. READING OF ITEMS by the City Chamberlain of any items not listed on the printed agenda.

REMOVE:

IX. CONSENT AGENDA: MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS:

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1. **R-23-33**, Resolution Authorizing the Change for CSEA Employees from NYSHIP Empire Plan to NYSHIP Excelsior Plan

XII. ACTION AGENDA: ORDINANCES AND LOCAL LAWS:

1. ***First Read*** for both proposed Local Laws set for Public Hearings on this meeting's CONSENT AGENDA –**A first read is not required for Local Laws.**

CHAIRWOMAN BROWN: For members of the public, the reason why we removed Resolution R- 23-33 the **NYSHIP CSEA** resolution was by request of the Administration.

IV. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- **DeJuan (DJ) Encarnacion – 327 Mansion St**
- **Jasmaine Clay – 10 Talmadge St**
- **Pat Miller – 26 Vassar St.**
- **Naomi Brooks– S. Grand Ave *submitted written comments***

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Naomi Brooks
S. Grand Avenue

Good evening. Our 1994 city charter was updated in 2017. One of the four key goals in that update included strengthening and empowering the Common Council. Quote: “The revised charter specifies and emphasizes that the common council, as representatives of the people of the City, has explicit oversight powers and supervisory authority over the performance of the executive branch in the administration of the operations of the City.”

Section 2.02 includes these clauses: “The Common Council shall have oversight of the management of the city by the Executive Branch. ... the Common Council shall have the power by resolution to require any elected or appointed City official, employee, board, or commission to furnish reports, information, estimates, or records ...”

I continue to come before you to ask that you use this power.

You, and the public you represent, have a right to know why Natalie Quinn was abruptly dismissed, on the cusp of some very critical projects that were under her expertise in land use and urban planning. You, and the public you represent, have a right to know why Ms. Quinn was replaced with a man currently embroiled in not one but three discrimination lawsuits, and to know if he has education and experience in land use and urban planning.

You, and the public you represent, have a right to know the education and experience of the members of our boards and commissions, who make determinations that impact all of us. You, and the public you represent, have a right to know why Brian Hooper was dismissed from one of those commissions, and if there was cause, to require the mayor to follow the legal procedure for such termination. If the termination was without cause, you have a right to direct the reinstatement of Mr. Hooper to the commission. You, and the public you represent, have a right to know why the remaining vacancies on that commission have not been filled, a month overdue by the time frame dictated in our city charter.

My sincere *wish* is that *with* your oversight, we have a government populated with administrative personnel and boards and commissions appointees that have solid knowledge and experience, so they can make the best possible decisions that will benefit us all. My sincere *fear* is that *without* you using this power of oversight, our mayors past, present, and future will continue to make personnel changes that align with the outcomes they prefer, instead of outcomes determined by appropriately credentialed staff and appointees. Please ask the questions you are granted in our charter. You can start by creating a resolution giving Common Council approval power for the mayor’s appointees to boards and commissions.

Thank you.

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- **Daniel Atonna – 116 College Ave**
- **Laurie Sandow, S. Grand Ave. – *submitted written comments***

Laurie Sandow comments, c/PK Common Council meeting, April 3, 2023:

I'll begin by noting that four weeks have passed since the Council's Charter-mandated Special Informational Meeting and—despite Chairwoman Brown's and Corporation Counsel Valk's on-the-record assurances that responses to questions not answered during the meeting would be delivered in writing afterward—I still have no replies from Mayor Marc Nelson, Chair Brown, Chamberlain Davis, the now-gone Natalie Quinn, as well as several other Councilmembers. But that was always the Chair's plan—to cut me off, to villainize me and my questioning, to save herself and others from answering questions during the webcast and on the public record, and to leave my questions unanswered.

Mayor Nelson continues to function like a bull in a china shop, or should I say a bully in a china shop?—slashing and burning his way through City staff and boards alike without transparency, having most evidence of former Senior Planner and Development Director Natalie Quinn's employment scrubbed from the City website, and even substituting fake news and phony history in place of public information and explanation. While declaring himself a Democrat, he seems more suited to run on the Autocrat line.

Several members of the Council have cozied up to the Mayor in that effort, as has the Corporation Counsel's office. Valk publicly claimed she “forgot” to forward certain redistricting correspondence her office received from Josh Simons of The Benjamin Center at SUNY New Paltz. But what she actually did, when a Freedom of Information (FOIL) request was directed to her, was use a proxy to deny its existence and then—only after a FOIL appeal made it possible to reference Simons' letter—was reply that, as a one-time courtesy, she would provide the letter Josh Simons wrote to Assistant Corporation Counsel John Evans. Further collaboration and collusion from the Corporation Counsel's office shows up in the Council's recent Salary Review Resolution (R-23-24), which assigns blame to (quote): the “Council's former leadership [who] failed to move this important item forward just as it failed to move to name a redistricting commission in a timely manner;...”.

The Council's own rules provide for walk-on resolutions by three councilmembers:

RULE V. ...A councilmember may add items to New Business with the support of three (3) councilmembers....

The City Charter provides for three councilmembers to call a Special Meeting:

Section 2.04(a) ...any other three councilmembers, may call a special meeting of the common council by written notice....

No, none, zero members of this Council made these efforts. They are equally responsible for delays. These legislative failures, distortions, and fake news have not gone unnoticed by the public.

Only Councilmember Nathan Shook has held a Ward meeting devoted to zoning. Not a single other councilmember has done that, nor has stated plans to do that. Whether about zoning or anything other aspect of Council business, most Councilmembers fail to keep their constituents informed, or to hold Ward meetings at all. The Council vowed to hold a north side meeting about zoning on March 27, but never did. And through that neglect, this Council made clear—both individually, as well as collectively—that they are unwilling, uninformed and unable to discuss zoning after the canning of Natalie Quinn. And, of course, there's been not a peep from this Council about a zoning meeting with the city's Hispanic community—but why would they after their self-dealing redistricting map and Local Law (LL-23-03) protected their own incumbent seats while undermining the Hispanic community's voting rights for the next 10 years.

Short on speaking time, I turn to Marc Nelson's State of the City address, where he stated that "The concept of a Business Improvement District was raised some years ago, but ... was, frankly, a little ahead of its time." Nelson—never the visionary—seems to believe that Caroline Wheaton, former Mayor John Sague and Father Joseph Sheahan were also ahead of their time in supporting and funding the purchase of Wheaton Park.

In 1909, Mayor Sague had warned, "Now is the time to secure playgrounds before the open spaces in the city are all built up. The longer we wait, the farther we will have to go to get a location – for the city is growing and soon there will be no vacant land centrally located...It is good to invest a little money in the children to teach them to play along the right lines." Similarly, Father Joseph Sheahan of St. Peter's Church encouraged the purchase of the Pelton mansion and grounds, saying: "If this could be purchased by the city, it would not only make a most desirable place for the children, but think of having a beautiful park around the Central [train] station, the entrance to our city...If the city neglects this opportunity to buy for a trifle this beautiful park near the Hudson, all the people of Poughkeepsie will be sorry."

Nelson can bloviate all day about youth programs, but with parks being among the most welcoming and democratic of public facilities, and Wheaton and Pelton serving children for more than a century, Nelson is intent on destroying that public park and entrance to the city, and delivering it to the hands and profit of private developers who were supplied a Preferred Developer Agreement by former Mayor Tkazyik, at little more than the price set in a secret 2008 appraisal performed seven years before the City even issued its 2015 selective and twisted RFPs (Request For Proposals), and 17 years prior to me speaking today.

Three minutes leaves me no time to even comment on tonight's consent agenda, except to say that the Council continues to conduct the public's business behind closed doors, continues to use its caucus for secretive decision making, and continues to deploy consent agendas without a written policy—all of these being acts of contempt against constituents and the public alike.

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- **Melissa Hoffmann - 21 Lexington Ave**
- **John Kittredge – 21 Lakeview Ave**
- **Brian Hooper – 128 Academy St *submitted written comments***

Brian Hooper – 128 Academy Street

Good evening, Commissioners,

I would like to share a follow up from the March 6th Common Council meeting, a month ago, where I objected to my dismissal without cause from the historic preservation commission by Marc Nelson. Mr. Nelson reached out to me Thursday last week indicating he would like to talk since he and I have not yet had the opportunity to talk. I was in a meeting at the time and unable to answer. Mr. Nelson left his cell phone contact information and asked me to return the call. I returned the call on Friday; but was unable to leave a voicemail due to voicemail being full. Yesterday, I sent a text message since I feel it's easier to coordinate via written correspondence, than to just luckily catch someone free to talk. Mr. Nelson responded today that he'd like to catch up next week when he's back from Easter vacation.

*FOLLOWING
LEADERSHIP
DISCUSSION*

There currently are two open positions on the HDLPC and based on the complexion of the current commission the two open seats should be filled by people who occupy historic residences. Currently there are 5 people on the commission, two who expressed interest in historic preservation when applying, a history teacher/historian, an architect and someone who lives in a historic property. Based on the expected commission complexion the two remaining open positions should be filled by people who live in historic properties. I would like to again reiterate my interest in continuing to fill my term on the HDLPC. I have the support of the Council Chairperson Brown, my Councilperson Menist and while off the record, I believe I have the support of Councilperson Long.

In light of the support and illustrate my experience and competence, I would also like to take the opportunity to share with the Commission my original letter of interest, my CV, examples of historic preservation performed on my own home and the document submitted and approved by the HDLPC on which I was the primary contributor to the content only a few months into my service on the HDLPC.

Lastly, I've not seen next week's HDLPC agenda; but I would appreciate it if members of this council could ask the HDLPC to postpone Vice Chair elections until this issue is resolved and I'm reinstated to the HDLPC.

I sincerely appreciate your support.

Thank you,
Brian Hooper



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HISTORIC DISTRICT & LANDMARK PRESERVATION COMMISSION (HDLPC)



WINDOW GUIDANCE

In most historic buildings windows, doors, and its architectural details were carefully designed as integral components of the building's character and design. Their historic appearance and relationship to the building serve as the basis for HDLPC's rules for work involving the restoration, modification, or replacement of windows.

Per Secretary of the Interior's guidance, The City of Poughkeepsie HDLPC encourages repairing your historic windows rather than replacing.

Window Guidance

Your Historic Property

As the owner of an historic property, you can take pride in knowing that your house or building is special.

Your property is either an integral, contributing part of an historic district or an outstanding example of architecture in its own right or both. With this pride come certain responsibilities that the owner of a non-registered property does not have. Historic districts and free-standing historic landmarks representing the periods in which they were built and as such, are portals to the past, while at the same time, functioning as vibrant components of the community. In designating a building a landmark, the City, and possibly State and Nation, recognizes that your property's historic character needs to be preserved and that pressures which would lead to the loss of that character must be resisted.

Preservation is an active process that requires you, the owner, to be sensitive to repairs and alterations that would be inconsistent with the period in which the property was built. The HDLPC is here to help guide you on options and ensure that the historic nature of designated properties is respected. HDLPC decisions are based on the practice of saving existing building features, elements, and materials unless there is absolutely no other practical alternative. In most cases, repair more successfully preserves a building's character than does replacement with modern materials, and the Commission is most respectful of this fact.

Like preservation commissions across the nation, in its deliberations, The City of Poughkeepsie HDLPC adheres to preservation guidelines issued by the US Secretary of the interior. These guidelines inform decisions made by the National Park Service when it performs maintenance and restoration on historic properties owned by the US government. The owner of an historic property is exposed to numerous pressures that can threaten historic authenticity. These forces can come from, for example, window manufacturers who will try to convince you to replace original windows with modern ones without considering the impact that it would have on the house and the surrounding community.

Other pressures can come from HVAC contractors, solar contractors, and from home-improvement centers which sell components that are incompatible with the craftsmanship that your historic property embodies. This is where you must work a bit harder than owners of non-historic designated properties. It will take a little more work, but there are craftspeople and manufacturers who understand the needs of owners like you and who share your desire to maintain the spirit of your property as well as its integrity.

Historic Window Repair and Retention Policy

In almost all instances the Department of Interior and the City of Poughkeepsie HDLPC will require you to keep your existing windows. Research has shown that your house's repaired original windows are capable of being more cost-efficient than modern (and modern-looking) replacements. Old windows were carefully crafted of old-growth lumber and can be successfully repaired and restored. Appropriate storm windows can make original windows as energy-efficient as double-pane replacements, and help your original windows last much longer without replacement.

There are few reasons for the Commission to permit the replacement of original windows with new ones. As per the Secretary of the Interior's guidance, more than 50% of the window must be beyond repair. Reasons for this determination might be:

- Fire / explosion damage
- Flood damage
- Extensive rot

With some basic knowledge and a bit of practice, historic building owners often find they can inexpensively tackle window maintenance and restoration themselves. (Please see attached appendix of window restoration webinars available on YouTube). An original window cleaned of old paint that makes it hard to open, with new ropes, an operating lock, and simple weather stripping along with a storm window is as energy efficient as a new double glazed window.

Window Guidance

In the case of more than 50% of the window is beyond repair, you may find benefit in working with a window specialist. Replacements should be made of wood or HDLPC approved wood equivalents. Vinyl, Aluminum (unless design appropriate) and insert windows are not acceptable replacements.

Comparison between storms and window replacement



John Van Pelt/OHJ archives; source Keith Habernern P.E., R.A., courtesy the Collingswood (N.J.) Historic District Commission

<https://www.oldhouseonline.com/gardens-and-exterior/preserving-wood-windows/>

Improve Operation: Often poor operation is due to paint sealing the window sash to the window jambs and sills, making them difficult or impossible to open. Using a window sash saw to cut the paint seal usually resolves this issue. In addition, replacing window hardware including pulley chains or ropes, hinges and sash locks, in addition to scraping, sanding, repainting and using paste wax in the window jambs will improve window functionality.

Repair Deterioration: If a window shows sign of deterioration, it is often the result of moisture penetration. This is preventable by thorough painting, regular maintenance, and prompt repairs. If mild rot has already occurred, wood hardener and wood epoxy can be used to strengthen and smooth window jams and sills. If more extreme rot has occurred, it is best to remove the deteriorated sections and install a dutchman that matches the original window details. For wood windows, consider using a compatible rot-resistant hardwood. Unlike modern replacement windows which cannot be repaired, original old growth wood windows were designed using individual elements that can be repaired or replaced as necessary. Individual elements that are typically exposed to the most severe weathering and deterioration, like sills and the bottom rails of sashes, can be repaired or replaced – giving old windows many more years of excellent service (see Appendix).

Do Routine General Maintenance: To prevent deterioration, it is important to caulk around frames and sill, scrape peeling paint, sand to a smooth finish, prime with an oil-based primer, and repaint the window sash and/or frames with two coats of exterior grade paint. To increase the longevity of the windows, routinely inspect the windows every five to seven years and make necessary minor repairs.

Maintain Glass and Glazing Putty: Broken glass and glazing putty failure is another contributor to the deterioration of windows. It is important to replace broken glass and failing glazing putty with new glass

Window Guidance

and glazing putty as soon as practical. Subsequently, the affected area should be primed and painted to maintain a waterproof seal.

Add Weatherstripping: While making repairs, it is a good opportunity to retrofit or upgrade historic windows to improve the performance and energy efficiency. All types of historic windows can be retrofit with appropriate insulation, air sealing, and weatherstripping, while minimizing the impact on the functionality and aesthetics of the window.

Install Storm Windows: Installing interior or exterior storm windows, in conjunction with repairing and retrofitting existing historic windows, can be just as effective as modern replacement windows in terms of improving energy-efficiency and occupant comfort.

- Interior storm windows should have clear glazing that require no mullions, muntins, or wide frames visible from the exterior of the building.
- Exterior storm windows with clear glazing should have tightly fit framing within the window openings without the need for a sub frame or panning around the perimeter, with meeting rails used only in conjunction with double-hung windows, with a finish that matches the windows.

Restoration and/or Storm Window Providers:

Bridge Lane Restorations <https://bridgelanerestorations.com/>

White Clay Kill Preservation <https://whiteclaykillpreservation.com/>

Newburgh Sash & Restoration <https://newburghsash.com/>

Adams Architectural Millwork Co. <https://adamsarch.com/>

Allied Window, Inc. <https://www.alliedwindow.com/>

Reasons not considered acceptable by the HDLPC for Window Replacement

Lead Paint

The presence of lead paint in window frames is not a sufficient reason to replace existing windows as there are effective means of lead remediation available to owners. The key is to keep finishes in good condition and repaint on a regular basis. In particular, friction points like jambs can be stripped and repainted or repainted to encase any traces of lead based paint.

Energy Efficiency

Energy efficiency is not a sufficient reason to replace existing windows as the original windows (with appropriate storm windows) can almost always meet or exceed modern e-values while having a greater return on investment. In general, windows account for only a small percentage of a home's heat loss. Most heat loss is through uninsulated walls and attic space.

Window Replacement

If it is determined by the HDLPC that replacing original windows is an appropriate solution, the new windows must adhere as closely as possible to all elements of the original windows.

Replacement Criteria

Proof of Severe Deterioration: Severe deterioration on over 50 percent of the window must be documented by a site visit or photos. Each window must be evaluated and documented separately. Windows that are not significantly deteriorated due to their more sheltered location will not be approved for replacement.

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Glass Size: Original openings shall not be reduced and glass to frame ratio must remain the same. All proportions of the new window must match those of the original window. Adherence to this will prevent light loss, caused by a decrease in the area of glass present in the original windows.

Materials: Mass-produced replacement windows lack the graceful and delicate design typical of period windows and are rarely acceptable. While even premium replacement windows are marketed as being made of wood, almost all of them are clad with either vinyl or aluminum are prone to water infiltration and unseen interior rot and are not capable of being painted to match existing trim colors. Aluminum clad wood windows with baked enamel finish may be considered on a case by case basis provided they match the dimensions, profiles and overall appearance of the original windows. In no cases will vinyl-clad windows be acceptable.

Fenestration: Modern replacement windows employ various methods used to simulate older multi-pane designs. Acceptable replacement windows will be constructed of individual panes of glass separated by real muntins as per the original windows. Fake "snap-in" muntins or simulated divided lights applied to a single sheet of glass are unacceptable.

Proportions and Profiles: Replacement window consistency considerations involve number, shape and panes of glass; tracery, frame, sash design and function; muntin and mullion design and configuration. Keep in mind that what may seem like small changes in molding profiles and shadow lines can have a detrimental effect of historic facades, given the importance of windows as a major character defining feature of historic buildings.

Unique Windows

Some original windows are of a unique design will be very difficult to be replaced today. Such designs are used in bay windows, dormers, clerestories, and sidelights among others. Every effort must be shown to be made in preserving the visual integrity of these unique elements and finding acceptable replacements for such components.

Documentation Requirements

In addition to an HDLPC Certificate of Appropriateness (CoA) Application Form a complete application typically requires the materials listed below, but additional materials may be required depending on the work type. Submissions from prior CoA submissions can be provided as reference.

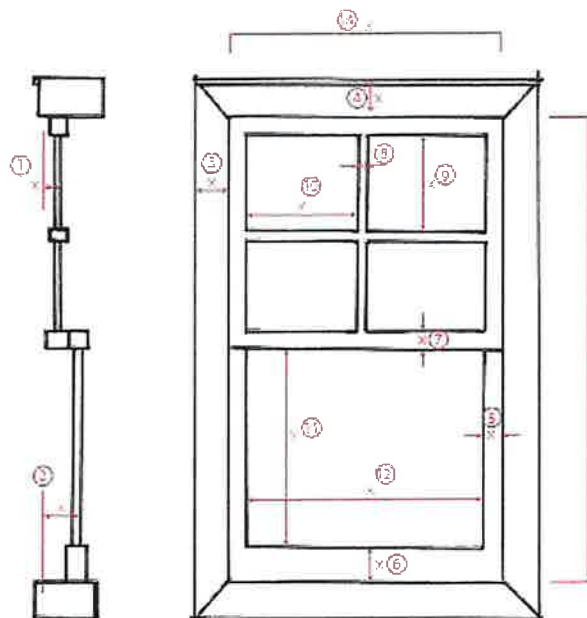
Additional Required Documentation and Drawings for Window Replacement Applications

- Color photos of the entire building showing location and context of proposed replacement or modification work in scope of the CoA.
- Color photo closeups, of the detail of all windows/openings and intersections in scope of the CoA.
 - o A CoA will be considered incomplete if closeup(s) of one window is provided with the expectation all windows will be approved.
- Schedule of all windows to be considered in CoA including location on exterior elevation/photos with detailed dimensions between existing windows/openings and proposed windows/openings (see worksheet on following page)
- Vertical and horizontal section documentation of proposed windows/openings
- Comparative window evaluation to show dimensional differences and configurations
- Product specifications and sample for review
- Color and finish specifications and color sample

Window Guidance

Frame and Sash Comparison - Single and Double Hung Windows

Instructions: To compare the replacement windows to the original, it is important to understand the compatibility between the original and the replacement. Please fill in each value, in inches. Feel free to notate any other measurements that you feel is important to the replacement discussion.



Existing Frame and Sash Exterior Material _____

Proposed Frame and Sash Exterior Material _____

	Existing	Proposed
1. Upper Sash Measurement from exterior façade to glass (Shadow Profile)	_____	_____
2. Lower Sash Measurement from exterior façade to glass (Shadow Profile)	_____	_____
3. Side trim Measurement	_____	_____
4. Top/bottom Measurement	_____	_____
5. Stile Measurement	_____	_____
6. Rail Measurement	_____	_____
7. Meeting Rail Measurement	_____	_____
8. Muntin Measurement	_____	_____
9. Glass Height upper	_____	_____
10. Glass Width lower	_____	_____
11. Glass Height lower	_____	_____
12. Glass Width lower	_____	_____
13. Overall Sash height	_____	_____
14. Overall Sash width	_____	_____

Window Guidance

Appendix:

U.S. Department of the Interior

Preservation Briefs: 9 The Repair of Historic Wooden Windows

<https://www.nps.gov/orgs/1739/upload/preservation-brief-09-wood-windows.pdf>

Window Restoration Video Examples

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4Ajolyww1bE>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K9p7MaLbsLE>

Example Window Restoration

This is a 156-year-old, old growth wood window. The vertical surfaces are in good shape, the sill is beginning to experience rot; but the next steps show how the sill was able to be restored. All work depicted was completed by the homeowner with no construction education.



Prior to restoring
windowsill and window.

Window Guidance

For personal and property protection, you will want a lead paint grade respirator, plastic to secure the area and a HEPA vacuum, because if the house is older than 1978 there likely is lead paint in there somewhere. To remove paint, paint scrapers and a heat gun to remove paint and prepare the surface. First steps: secure the area and remove paint.

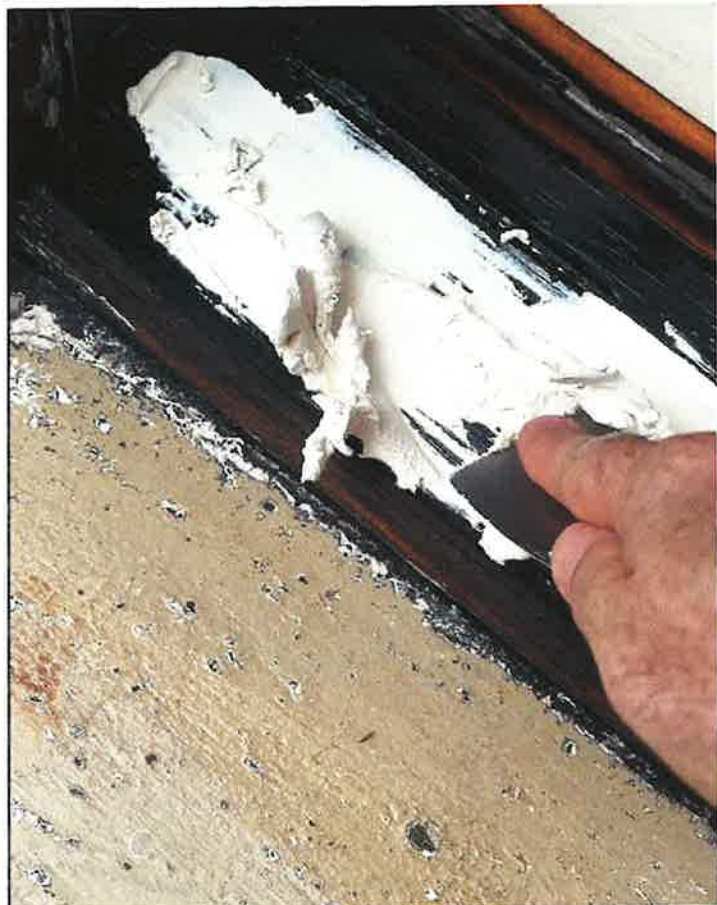


Window Guidance

After surfaces are cleared of paint and gently sanded, Abatron Liquid Wood was applied to the surfaces with the greatest need for structure and stabilization. Minwax Wood Hardener was used on the surfaces with less need.



Abatron Wood Epox was used for filling holes and replacing missing wood.



Window Guidance

After the Wood Epox had dried, a primer coat was applied to prepare for the finish coat.



Final coat and finished product.



V. CHAIRWOMAN'S COMMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS:

I guess I'll start out with responding to Mr. Hooper because I just want to point out that the entire leadership team – myself, Vice Chair Shook and Majority Leader Menist advocated and continue to advocate for your reinstatement. So we're hoping that that will happen fairly quickly. It is in the Mayor's hand right now, but, and I'm sure the other councilmembers agree with us with that. But, in leadership in particular, this has been a topic of discussion and it will continue to be a topic of discussion. I don't think it could hurt if we do get a copy of his resume. Right? I think we should. I know there's been a lot of emails and calls and even public comment suggesting that we create a resolution and having us confirm appointments. I just want to be very careful that we don't do this in response to a particular case, because that has happened in the past on the reverse side. And I don't think, you know, that if we're going to do it, we're going to do it, you know, and I think we should try to resolve these things that's happening right now first and then have a bigger conversation amongst the council and see if that's the route we would like to go. So I'd like to try that way first and see what happens.

For the members of the public, we did have a meeting scheduled for March 27 that the mayor asked us to postpone.

I just want to be very clear about that. This council was prepared to have that public hearing because there's some personnel changes and the Development Director was the one dealing directly with the consultants.

There was not enough time to verse the interim [Development Director] in the process and have them reach out to the consultant. So that meeting will be rescheduled and a new timeline for adoption will be established shortly.

I wish the Mayor was here today to speak about more of his thinking with the personnel. Now I know he has a plan in place to hire by a certain date and such that I don't know, I'm not familiar with because personnel is not really in our purview here as council members.

In response to Ms. Brooks, the response to the council was that this was a personnel issue and that the department heads serve at the pleasure of the mayor.

So we don't have any more information than the members of the public, nor is the mayor required to give us any more information.

As far as the Special Informational Meeting, Corporation Council Valk feels that all questions were addressed.

However, she will recanvas that...

Corporation Counsel Valk: ...ones specific to me

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...yeah, that you'll recanvas and see if there was anything left lingering. I know a lot of the questions were redundant, but that answers that.

Now, for my only comment, I got a very touching phone call last week and I also reached out to Councilmember Long because she, she works with ill and shut-in people. And it was from a social worker who's working with an undocumented man in hospice. He's in his last days and they can't find funding to bury him. He has no family here, he has no resources. The County did put him in hospice and they're paying for that, but he needs to be buried. So, I'm saying this publicly because I'm not familiar with if there's any resources available. So, the caseworker said it would be about \$2000 to cremate him..

Councilmember Long: ...they're working on it. I've had some conversations with her.

..but if members of the public as well, because this may come up again with other undocumented, know of organizations or ways that, maybe, we can make those connections, it would be appreciated. It's just really, really very sad to die alone and not have any help. So, we're going to try to do whatever we can to help this gentleman.

And that concludes my comments.

VI. MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Not Present

VII. NEW & UNFINISHED BUSINESS & ANNOUNCEMENTS: ~~VIII. — REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND BOARDS:~~

CONSENT AGENDA:

IX. MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS:

A motion to accept the Consent Agenda was made by Councilmember Long and seconded by Councilmember Menist.

1. **R-23-31**, Resolution Approving an Agreement with the City of Poughkeepsie Industrial Development Agency

RESOLUTION (R-23-31)

INTRODUCED BY CHAIRWOMAN BROWN

WHEREAS, the City of Poughkeepsie IDA (hereinafter the “IDA”) is authorized pursuant to General Municipal Law §874 to grant real property tax exemptions pursuant to payments in lieu of taxes agreements (commonly known as “PILOT Agreements”); and

WHEREAS, the IDA is also required to submit certain information to the State of New York with respect to the PILOT benefits for all IDA projects which receive PILOT benefits; and

WHEREAS, from time to time the IDA must send periodic late-payment reminders in the form of statements to the recipients of PILOT benefits but the IDA does not have the staffing necessary for this administrative function; and

WHEREAS, the City is willing to provide this administrative function for, and supply related information in connection therewith to, the IDA for an annual fee pursuant to the terms of the agreement annexed hereto as Exhibit “A.”

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor is authorized to execute a proposed Agreement with the IDA in the form attached hereto as Exhibit “A.”

SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER SHOOK

R-23-31- VOICE VOTE						
			Yes/Aye	No/Nay	Abstain	Absent
☒ Accepted ☐ Defeated ☐ Tabled	Councilmember Grant	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Councilmember Long	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Councilmember Flowers	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Councilmember Deichler	Voter	☐	☐	☐	☒
	Councilmember Thompson	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Councilmember Johnson	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
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	Councilmember Shook	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Chairwoman Brown	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐

2. R-23-32, Resolution Approving the Community Choice Aggregation Electricity Supply Agreement

**RESOLUTION
(R-23-32)**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF MEMORANDUM
OF UNDERSTANDING WITH JOULE ASSETS, INC. REGARDING
COMMUNITY CHOICE AGGREGATION PROGRAM**

INTRODUCED BY CHAIRWOMAN BROWN:

WHEREAS, pursuant to Local Law LL-18-2 adopted on March 19, 2018, the City of Poughkeepsie Common Council enacted a local law to establish a Community Choice Aggregation Program (the, "CCA Program"); and

WHEREAS, the City issued a Request for Proposal ("RFP") seeking a qualified Municipal Program Administrator and based on the results has selected Joule Assets, Inc. ("Joule"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to a resolution of the Municipality (R19-43), Municipality and Program Administrator entered into a Memorandum of Understanding pursuant to which Program Administrator would provide certain energy related services to Municipality in relation to a CCA Program including acting as Program Administrator (the **"CCA Agreement"**).

WHEREAS, Municipality desires to implement a CCA Program with Program Administrator serving as Program Administrator;

WHEREAS, to launch the CCA Program, the City and Joule seek to obtain competitive electricity supply bids from electricity suppliers that will lead to the execution of an Electricity Supply Agreement (the "Supply Agreement") with a bidder selected in accordance with the terms and conditions of a Memorandum of Understanding between the City and Joule (the "MOU"); and

WHEREAS, the City and Joule are seeking to enter into the MOU to: (i) confirm that Joule will serve as Program Administrator for the CCA Program in relation to the Supply

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Agreement; (ii) authorizing the execution of a Program Administrator Agreement; and (iii) obtain the parties' agreement that each will execute a Supply Agreement with a selected bidder, subject to the terms and conditions in the MOU; and

WHEREAS, due to time constraints, the Mayor has executed the non-binding MOU in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A and Joule has been placed on notice that ratification of that signature is required by the Common Council; absent such ratification the MOU is null and void; and

WHEREAS, the City seeks to: (a) to authorize Program Administrator to issue an electricity supply RFP to suppliers to provide electricity to Participating Consumers (as defined below); (b) to authorize Program Administrator to award an electricity supply contracts in accordance with such RFP; (c) to approve the form of this ESA; and (d) to authorize execution of an ESA by the Mayor with the awarded supplier provided that the bid met the specifications set forth in the RFP;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that, the signature of the Mayor of the City of Poughkeepsie on the MOU attached hereto as "Exhibit A" is ratified; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor is authorized to execute an Electricity Supply Agreement, in the form attached hereto as Exhibit "B" which Electricity Supply Agreement authorizes Joule to accept bids for energy services for the City so long as the minimum requirements set forth in the MOU and Electricity Supply Agreement are satisfied; and

SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER SHOOK

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R-23-32- VOICE VOTE			Yes/Aye	No/Nay	Abstain	Absent
☒ Accepted ☐ Defeated ☐ Tabled	Councilmember Grant	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Councilmember Long	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Councilmember Flowers	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Councilmember Deichler	Voter	☐	☐	☐	☒
	Councilmember Thompson	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Councilmember Johnson	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Councilmember Menist	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Councilmember Shook	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Chairwoman Brown	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐

3. **R-23-33**, Resolution Authorizing the Change for CSEA Employees from NYSHIP Empire Plan to NYSHIP Excelsior Plan

REMOVED VIA ADDENDUM

4. **R-23-34**, Resolution Setting a Public Hearing on the Local Law Amending the City of Poughkeepsie Zoning Map 219 and 221 North Clinton Street

RESOLUTION (R 23-34)

RESOLUTION INTRODUCING LOCAL LAW AMENDING THE CITY OF POUGHKEEPSIE ZONING MAP 219 AND 221 NORTH CLINTON STREET

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER FLOWERS:

BE IT RESOLVED that an introductory Local Law entitled, “LOCAL LAW AMENDING THE CITY OF POUGHKEEPSIE ZONING MAP” be and hereby is introduced before the Common Council of the City of Poughkeepsie in the County of Dutchess and State of New York; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of the aforesaid proposed local law are laid upon the desk of each member of the Council; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council shall hold a public hearing on said proposed local law to receive comment from the public on Monday, April 17, 2023 at 6 pm in the Common Council Chambers, Third Floor, City Hall, 62 Civic Center Plaza, Poughkeepsie, New York;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk publish or cause to be published a public notice in the official newspaper of the City of Poughkeepsie of said public hearing at least five (5) days prior thereto.

SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER SHOOK

R-23-34 VOICE VOTE						
			Yes/Aye	No/Nay	Abstain	Absent
☒ Accepted ☐ Defeated ☐ Tabled		Councilmember Grant	Voter	☒	☐	☐
		Councilmember Long	Voter	☒	☐	☐
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		Councilmember Menist	Voter	☒	☐	☐
		Councilmember Shook	Voter	☒	☐	☐
		Chairwoman Brown	Voter	☒	☐	☐

PROPOSED LOCAL LAW AMENDING THE ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF POUGHKEEPSIE

(LL-23-XX)

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER _____ :

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED, by the Common Council of the City of Poughkeepsie, a local law amending the City of Poughkeepsie Zoning Map to change the zoning of the following two parcels from Walkway-Gateway (W-G), **sub-district Gateway Commercial Mixed Use (G-CM)** to Walkway-Gateway (W-G), **sub-district Gateway Residential Mixed Use (G-RM)**.

1. 219 North Clinton Street – currently identified as Tax Grid #6162-55-340485 comprising .07 +/- acres.

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2. 221 North Clinton Street – currently identified as Tax Grid #6162-55-340488 comprising .07 +/- acres.

SECTION 2. This Local Law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the New York State Secretary of State.

SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER _____

5. **R-23-35**, Resolution Setting a Public Hearing on an Introductory Local Law Amending Chapter 19, Section 19-3.23.1 of the City of Poughkeepsie Code Entitled “Main Street Commercial (C-2A)”

**RESOLUTION
(R 23-35)**

**RESOLUTION INTRODUCING LOCAL LAW AMENDING CHAPTER 19, SECTION 19-3.23.1 OF THE CITY OF POUGHKEEPSIE CODE ENTITLED
“Main Street Commercial (C-2A)”**

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER FLOWERS:

BE IT RESOLVED that an introductory Local Law entitled, “LOCAL LAW AMENDING SECTION 19-3.23.1 OF THE CITY OF POUGHKEEPSIE CODE ENTITLED “Main Street Commercial (C-2A)” be and hereby is introduced before the Common Council of the City of Poughkeepsie in the County of Dutchess and State of New York; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of the aforesaid proposed local law are laid upon the desk of each member of the Council; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council shall hold a public hearing on said proposed local law to receive comment from the public on Monday, May 1, 2023 at 6 pm in the Common Council Chambers, Third Floor, City Hall, 62 Civic Center Plaza, Poughkeepsie, New York;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk publish or cause to be published a public

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notice in the official newspaper of the City of Poughkeepsie of said public hearing at least five (5) days prior thereto.

SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER SHOOK

R-23-35 VOICE VOTE						
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☒ Accepted ☐ Defeated ☐ Tabled	Councilmember Grant	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
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	Councilmember Shook	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Chairwoman Brown	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐

PROPOSED LOCAL LAW AMENDING CHAPTER 19, SECTION 19-3.23.1 OF THE CITY OF POUGHKEEPSIE CODE ENTITLED “Main Street Commercial (C-2A)”

(LL 23-XX)

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER CHERRY:

SECTION 1: BE IT ENACTED, by the Common Council of the City of Poughkeepsie, a local law amending Section 19-3.23.1 of the Code of the City of Poughkeepsie to read in pertinent part as follows:

STRIKETHROUGH INDICATES DELETION

BOLD and UNDERLINE INDICATES ADDED LANGUAGE

Section 19-3.23.1 **Main Street Commercial (C-2A)**.

[Ord. of 2-21-1989, § 1; Ord. of 5-6-1991, § 3]

(1) *Purpose of district.* The purpose of this district is to provide for a wide range of commercial uses which would normally be located on roadways that experience high traffic volumes and that are located adjacent to or in close proximity to residential uses.

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(2) *Permitted uses.* No building or premises shall be used, in whole or in part for any purpose except those listed below:

(a) Uses permitted by right:

1. Retail stores and service businesses.
2. Wholesale businesses, warehouses and building material sales, provided that all storage is fully enclosed by a permanent structure, but excluding storage of coal, coke, fuel oil or junk.
3. Building, plumbing and electrical contractors.
4. Cold storage plant, beverage distributor, baking and other food processing plant that is not offensive, obnoxious or detrimental to neighboring uses by reason of dust, smoke, vibration, noise, odor or effluent.
5. Motor vehicle sales, including the sale of recreation vehicles and trailers and boat sales, with accessory repair facilities, subject to the following requirements:
 - (i) Sale of used vehicles or boats shall be conducted only as accessory to the sale of new vehicles or boats.
 - (ii) Outdoor area lighting shall be that generally required for security purposes.
 - (iii) Entrance and exit driveways shall have an unrestricted width of not less than 12 feet (one-way), shall not be located closer than 10 feet to any property line and shall be so laid out as to avoid the necessity of any vehicle backing out into any public right-of-way.
 - (iv) Vehicle lifts or pits, dismantled vehicles and all parts and supplies shall be located within a building enclosed on all sides.
 - (v) All service or repair of motor vehicles shall be conducted in a building enclosed on all sides. This requirement shall not be construed to mean that the doors to any repair shop must be kept closed at all times.
 - (vi) Gasoline or flammable oils in bulk shall be stored fully underground, not nearer than 10 feet to any lot line.
 - (vii) No commercial sale of gasoline shall be permitted, nor shall any pump be located in a front or side yard.
6. Standard restaurants.
7. Dry-cleaning establishments.
8. Funeral parlors.
9. Retail sale and accessory storage and display of garden materials, supplies and plants, including nursery operations, provided that the outdoor storage or display of plants and material does not obstruct pedestrian flow or vehicular traffic and does not occur within three feet of a property line.
10. Municipal parks and recreational facilities, including refreshment and service buildings accessory thereto and any other governmental uses and structures of the City of Poughkeepsie, the County of Dutchess or the state or federal governments or agencies thereof:
11. Public utility installations.
12. Places of worship.
13. Printing plants.
14. Taxi station.
15. Auto rental.
16. Radio, television and recording studio.
17. Arts and crafts studios or studios for teaching the performing arts.
18. Buildings with mixed uses, subject to the following requirements:

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- (i) All lot and bulk requirements for each use are satisfied.
- (ii) Separate entrances and exits shall be provided for residential and nonresidential portions of the building.

(b) Uses, subject to issuance of special permit by the Planning Board in accordance with Section 19-6.2 of this Chapter.

1. Research and development uses, provided that any manufacturing shall be limited to prototypes and products for testing.

2. Institutions for higher learning, business, vocational and training schools, including colleges, universities, junior colleges, business, banking, business management, secretarial and office service schools, computer and data processing schools, art and drafting schools, barber, beauty and cosmetology schools, commercial or noncommercial food preparation schools, photography schools, schools for training in the martial arts, dancing, gymnastics and music, schools for fashion design; under the following conditions:

- (i) The curriculum shall satisfy the requirements of the New York State Department of Education.

- (ii) No accommodations for resident students shall be permitted.

- (iii) No music or noise shall be audible in any R-1 through R-6 District.

3. Motor vehicle service stations or gasoline pumps as part of another use, provided that:

- (i) No traffic hazard affecting the public safety will be present.

- (ii) No sale of gasoline shall be permitted to be established on any lot within a distance of 500 feet of an existing gasoline or filling station or of any lot for which a building permit has been issued for the erection of such a station or any use which includes gasoline pumps.

- (iii) No such establishment shall be within a distance of 200 feet of any school, public or private; religious institution, hospital, library, park, nursing home, extended care facility or any similar institution or other place of public assembly; said distance to be measured in a straight line along or across a street between the nearest points of each of the lots or premises, regardless of the district where either premises is located.

- (iv) No such establishment shall be within a distance of 30 feet of any R-1 through R-6, O-R or PRD District or a property on or eligible for a federal, state or local historic register.

- (v) Entrance and exit driveways shall have an unrestricted width of not less than 12 feet (one-way), nor more than 24 feet (two-ways); shall not be located nearer than 10 feet to any lot line; and shall be so laid out as to avoid the necessity of any vehicle backing into any public right-of-way.

- (vi) Vehicle lifts or pits, dismantled automobiles, all parts or supplies, goods, equipment, materials, refuse, garbage or debris shall be located within a building enclosed on all sides.

- (vii) All service or repair of motor vehicles shall be conducted in a building enclosed on all sides. The requirement shall not be construed to mean that the doors to any repair shop must be kept closed at all times.

- (viii) Gasoline or flammable oils in bulk shall be stored fully underground, not nearer than 10 feet to any other lot line and the top of the tank shall be not less than two feet below the surface of the ground.

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- (ix) Gasoline pumps or lubricating or other devices shall be located not nearer than 20 feet from any street or other lot line.
- 4. Membership clubs catering exclusively to members and their guests and private playgrounds, swimming pools, tennis courts and recreational buildings, except the following are prohibited:
 - (i) Exterior lighting other than that which is essential for the safety of users of the premises.
 - (ii) Location of any part of the building nearer than 30 feet to any street or property line unless the property adjoins a nonresidential district in which case the yard requirements of that district shall apply.
- 5. Fast-food restaurants, provided that eating on the premises of the fast-food restaurant shall be permitted only inside the structure or in areas specifically designated and properly maintained outside of the structure, and provided that the premises is not adjacent to or abutting a property on or eligible for a federal, state or local historic register.
- 6. Off-street parking, as the principal use of a lot, subject to the following requirements:
 - (i) The parking facility shall be designed and maintained in accordance with provisions of Section 19-4.3 of this Chapter entitled "Off-street parking and loading."
 - (ii) Said facility shall be utilized solely for parking registered and operable motor vehicles.
 - (iii) The lot and bulk requirements of this section do not pertain to any paved or resurfaced parking area; however, if a building or structure is proposed to be erected on the lot, said structure must conform to the lot and bulk requirements herein.
- 7. Mini-marts, subject to the following requirements:
 - (i) Mini-marts shall not exceed 400 square feet in improved interior floor area, including but not limited to areas devoted to sales, coolers, storage of goods sold in the mini-mart, office space and any other facilities related to the operation of the mini-mart.
 - (ii) Drive-up windows shall not be permitted.
 - (iii) Arcade, game machines or any other coin-operated electronic games are prohibited.
 - (iv) At least two trash receptacles shall be located next to the walkway for customer use.
 - (v) An enclosed dumpster area shall be provided.
 - (vi) Special consideration will be given to the impact of noise, litter, lighting and traffic on adjacent properties.
 - (vii) Off-street parking shall be provided at a rate of one space for each 300 square feet of gross floor area. Said parking spaces shall be in addition to those required for the service station.
 - (viii) The sale of alcoholic beverages is prohibited.
 - (ix) The physical boundaries of the mini-mart must be clearly delineated on the site plan.
- 8. Multiple dwellings in new structures at urban density (R-6), provided that the first floor is devoted to commercial use; and further provided that the usable open space requirements of Section 19-3.15(4)(i) are satisfied.**
- 9. As a means of preserving existing sound buildings, especially historically or architecturally significant structures, as well as to encourage population in the central business area and provide an additional housing resource, conversion of existing buildings that do not meet minimum lot size requirements to residential use or additional residential units, provided that:**
 - (i) A building is in existence on the effective date of this Chapter.**
 - (ii) All Main Street-facing ground floor uses shall be limited to nonresidential uses.**

(iii) No dwelling unit shall contain more than two bedrooms.

(iv) The minimum floor area of a dwelling unit not containing a separate bedroom shall be 400 square feet.

(v) The minimum floor area of a one-bedroom dwelling unit shall be 600 square feet.

(vi) The minimum floor area of a two-bedroom dwelling unit shall be 750 square feet.

(vii) Off-street parking space shall be provided in accordance with the requirements of Section 19-4.3 of this chapter, and such space shall be located within 600 feet of the premises.

(3) *Accessory uses.* Accessory uses shall be as follows:

- (a)** Off-street parking.
- (b)** Buildings for housing pets; playhouses.
- (c)** Garden houses, greenhouses.
- (d)** Signs, subject to the requirement of Section 19-4.9 of this Chapter.
- (e)** Swimming pool and/or tennis court and related recreational facilities, subject to the requirements of Sections 19-4.7 and/or 19-4.9 of this chapter.
- (f)** Fully enclosed storage.
- (g)** Cafeteria and recreational facility for employees or clientele.

(4) *Lot and bulk requirements.* Lot and bulk requirements shall be as follows:

- (a)** Minimum lot area required: none.
- (b)** Minimum required frontage: 40 feet.
- (c)** Minimum required yards:
 - 1.** Front: 10 feet.
 - 2.** Side: 10 feet.
 - 3.** Rear: 20 feet.

Except as otherwise specified, where a use in a C-2A District is within 50 feet of an R-1 through R-6 District or property on or eligible for a federal, state or local historic register, a landscaped buffer of at least 20 feet shall be provided along the property line.

- (d)** Maximum FAR: 2.0.
- (e)** Maximum lot coverage: 60%.

(5) *Parking and loading.* Off-street parking and loading spaces shall be provided in accordance with Section 19-4.3 of this chapter.

(6) *Landscaping and screening.* Landscaping and screening shall be provided, subject to the requirements of Section 19-4.11 of this chapter.

SECTION 2. This Local Law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the New York State Secretary of State.

SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER _____

6. **R-23-36**, Resolution Appointing James Patterson to the Board of Assessment Review.

R E S O L U T I O N
(R-23-36)

INTRODUCED BY CHAIRWOMAN BROWN:

WHEREAS, the members of the Board of Assessment Review are appointed by the Common Council pursuant to the City of Poughkeepsie Administrative Code §5.02(1) and the Section 523 of the New York Real Property Tax Law; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council has deemed applicant James Patterson as qualified and are desirous of appointing him to the Board of Assessment Review.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Common Council of the City of Poughkeepsie does hereby appoint James Patterson to the Board of Assessment Review to fill an unexpired vacant term of five (5) years commencing immediately and expiring September 30, 2027.

SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER SHOOK _____

R-23-36 VOICE VOTE						
			Yes/Aye	No/Nay	Abstain	Absent
☒ Accepted ☐ Defeated ☐ Tabled	Councilmember Grant	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Councilmember Long	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Councilmember Flowers	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Councilmember Deichler	Voter	☐	☐	☐	☒
	Councilmember Thompson	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Councilmember Johnson	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Councilmember Menist	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Councilmember Shook	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Chairwoman Brown	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐

7. **R-23-37**, Resolution Appointing Members to the Housing Solution Committee.

RESOLUTION (R-23-37)

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER LONG:

WHEREAS, the council chair shall have the authority and the duty to appoint members committees as she decides necessary to efficiently conduct the business of the council; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council Chairwoman, Natasha Brown, has established a Housing Solutions Committee for purposes of discussing and collaborating on potential ways to address the significant housing issues facing the City of Poughkeepsie; and

WHEREAS, the following individuals are appointed to the Housing Solutions Committee by the Chairwoman and supported by the Common Council

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Chairwoman appoints the following individuals to the Housing Solutions Committee and these appointments are supported by the Common Council as shown by the vote on this resolution:

Daniel Atonna
Alan Arnfield
Janet Salisbury
Quincy Williams
Darrett Roberts
Rose Graziano-Moffett

SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER SHOOK

R-23-37 VOICE VOTE						
			Yes/Aye	No/Nay	Abstain	Absent
☒ Accepted ☐ Defeated ☐ Tabled	Councilmember Grant	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Councilmember Long	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
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	Councilmember Deichler	Voter	☐	☐	☐	☒
	Councilmember Thompson	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Councilmember Johnson	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Councilmember Menist	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Councilmember Shook	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Chairwoman Brown	Voter	☒	☐	☐	☐

XI. ORDINANCES AND LOCAL LAWS:

ACTION AGENDA:

X. MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS:

XI. ORDINANCES AND LOCAL LAWS:

REMOVED VIA ADDENDUM

XII. PRESENTATIONS OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

A motion was made to defer the below communication/petition to Corporation Counsel by Councilmember Menist and was seconded by Councilmember Long.

1. **FROM JILL SCHNEIDERMAN**, a notice of personal injury sustained on or around January 2, 2023
2. **FROM DAYMON SUTTON**, a notice of property damage sustained on or around March 20, 2023
3. **FROM SHAVONNA HOLMAN**, a notice of property damage sustained on or around March 20, 2023
4. **FROM MICHAEL RODRIGUEZ**, a notice of property damage sustained on or around March 27, 2023
5. **FROM JASON REYNOSO**, a notice of property damage sustained on or around March 24, 2023.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Councilmember Long and seconded by Councilmember Menist to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 PM.

Dated: April 11, 2023

I hereby certify that this true and correct copy of the Minutes of the Common Council Meeting held on Monday, April 3, 2023.

Respectfully submitted,

**Donna M. DeLuca
Deputy City Chamberlain**