



PUBLIC HEARING MEETING AGENDA

Monday, December 18, 2023 6:00pm
Common Council Chambers

City of Poughkeepsie Common Council Public Hearing;

Pursuant to the Charter and Codes of the City of Poughkeepsie, Administrative Code, Section 14.04, a Common Council Public Hearing will be held on Monday, December 18, 2023 at 6:00pm and will be held in the Common Council Chambers, for the purpose of receiving comments on the proposed Local Law Amending Chapter 9 “Garbage, Trash and Weeds,” Article V “Solid Waste Management,” Section 9-68 “Solid Waste Collection Fees,” Subsection (E) “Exemptions”.

- I.** Welcome
- II.** Roll Call
- III.** Public Participation:
- IV.** Adjournment:

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**A LOCAL LAW AMENDING CHAPTER 9 “GARBAGE, TRASH AND WEEDS,”
ARTICLE V “SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT,” SECTION 9-68 “SOLID WASTE
COLLECTION FEES,” SUBSECTION (E) “EXEMPTIONS”**

SPONSOR:

BE IT ENACTED, by the Common Council of the City of Poughkeepsie as follows:

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BOLD and UNDERLINE INDICATES ADDED LANGUAGE

SECTION 1: City Code Chapter 9 “Garbage, Trash and Weeds,” Article V “Solid Waste Management,” Section 9-68 “Solid Waste Management Fees,” subsection (e) is amended to read as follows:

(e) *Exemptions:*

(1) Any person who because of age or disability shall qualify for exemption from City real property taxes based on an enhanced star exemption or low income tax exemption, shall be charged a reduced fee for solid waste collection and disposal services in an amount to be determined by the schedule of annual collection fees pursuant to Subsection (a). This reduced fee shall only apply to one dwelling unit in the case of multifamily properties..

(2) Any residential user eligible for STAR tax exemption from City real property taxes, upon demonstrating that only one unit of a two or three unit residential parcel is occupied as their residence, all other units being permanently vacant, after certification to the Commissioner and inspection, pursuant to regulations promulgated by the Commissioner and approved by resolution of the City Common Council, shall pay only the annual base unit fee.

(3) A residential property owner may make an application to the Commissioner of Finance for a one-time waiver of sanitation fees for a period of no more than one (1) year for a residential property that is unoccupied and does not possess a valid certificate of occupancy. If there is an open building permit, the property owner must prove that construction or other debris is being removed from the site by an alternate service such as a dumpster. Any city issued sanitation cans shall be returned to the City during the one-year period. The determination of this waiver shall be within the sole discretion of the Commissioner of Finance.

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of the aforesaid proposed Local Law be laid upon the desk of each council member; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Common Council shall hold a public hearing on said proposed Local Law and that the City Clerk shall 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 _____ :