

Official Minutes of the Public Hearing of October 1, 2024, for the purpose of receiving comments on Amending Chapter 18 ½ of the City Code Entitled “Waterfront Consistency Review”



**THE CITY OF POUGHKEEPSIE
NEW YORK**

PUBLIC HEARING

Tuesday, October 1, 2024 6:00pm Common Council Chambers

Welcome to the scheduled Public Hearing in the City of Poughkeepsie. The date is October 1, 2024 and the time is 6:01pm.

This Hearing is for the purpose of receiving comments on Amending Chapter 18 ½ of the City Code Entitled “Waterfront Consistency Review”

- I. WELCOME
- II. ROLL CALL: ALL PRESENT
- III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: Five (5) minutes per person public comment.

Seeing that no speakers signed up, Councilmember Menist made a motion at 6:02pm to recess but not close the public hearing, which was seconded by Councilmember Deichler.

- IV. ADJOURNMENT:
A motion to close the public hearing was made by Councilmember Brown and seconded by Councilmember Grant.

Dated: October 7, 2024

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the Common Council Public Hearing held on Tuesday, October 1, 2024.

Respectfully submitted,
Donna M. DeLuca
Deputy City Chamberlain

**RESOLUTION
(R-24-60)**

**RESOLUTION INTRODUCING A LOCAL LAW AMENDING CHAPTER 18 ½ OF THE
CITY CODE TO CLARIFY THE PROCEDURE FOR DETERMINING IF AN ACTION
IS A “MINOR ACTION.”**

**INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER PATTERSON THOMPSON, BROWN, JAMES
AND GRANT :**

BE IT RESOLVED that an introductory Local Law entitled, A LOCAL LAW
AMENDING CHAPTER 18 ½ OF THE CITY CODE TO CLARIFY THE PROCEDURE FOR
DETERMINING IF AN ACTION IS A “MINOR ACTION.” 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 Tuesday, October 1, 2024 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 BROWN .

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**A LOCAL LAW AMENDING CHAPTER 18 ½ OF THE CITY CODE TO CLARIFY
THE PROCEDURE FOR DETERMINING IF AN ACTION IS A “MINOR ACTION.”**

SPONSOR:

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

~~STRIKETHROUGH INDICATES DELETION~~
BOLD and UNDERLINE INDICATES ADDED LANGUAGE

SECTION 1: Section 18 ½ -7(a) of the City Code is amended to read as follows:

(a) Whenever a proposed action, **other than a minor action as defined herein**, is located in the Waterfront Revitalization Area, each City agency shall, prior to approving, funding or undertaking the action, make a consistency determination. To move forward with such proposed action, that determination should find that the proposed action is consistent with the LWRP policy standards summarized in Subsection **(i)** below. No action in the Waterfront Revitalization Area shall be approved, funded or undertaken without such a determination.

SECTION 2: Section 18 ½ -9 is amended as follows:

Section 18 ½ -9 **INTERPRETATION AND** Enforcement

The City Zoning Administrator shall be responsible for the **interpretation and** enforcement of this chapter **including the determination of whether an action qualifies as a “minor action” exempt from review under this Chapter**. No work or activity on a project in the Local Waterfront Area which is subject to review under this chapter shall be commenced or undertaken until the Zoning Administrator has been presented with a written determination from an agency that the action is consistent with the City's LWRP policies. In the event that an activity is not being performed in accordance with this chapter or any conditions imposed thereunder, the Zoning Administrator shall issue a stop-work order and all work shall immediately cease. No further work or activity shall be undertaken on the project so long as a stop-work order is in effect.

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 _____ :