



The City of Poughkeepsie New York

Common Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, November 19, 2024

6:00 PM

Common Council Chambers

I WELCOME:

Welcome to the scheduled Public Hearing of the City of Poughkeepsie Common Council for the purpose of receiving comments on the proposed Local Law to Override the Tax Levy Limit.

The date is Tuesday, November 19, 2024 and the time is 6:03 PM.

II ROLL CALL:

7 Present, 2 Absent (Councilmember - 2nd Ward Evan Menist, Council Member At-Large Da'Ron Wilson)

III PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Five (5) minutes per person of public comment on the proposed Tax Levy Override.

Daniel Atonna - College Ave

IV ADJOURNMENT:

At 6:07 PM, a motion to close public hearing was made by Council Member- 7th Ward Patterson Thompson and seconded by Council Member- 6th Ward Grant.

Official Minutes of the Common Council Public Hearing of November 19, 2024

MOTION TO ADJOURN - VOICE VOTE	
Yes/Aye:	Council Member- 1st Ward Henry, Council Member- 3rd Ward Brown, Council Member- 5th Ward James, Council Member- 6th Ward Grant, Council Member- 8th Ward Deichler, Council Member- 7th Ward Patterson Thompson, Council Member- 4th Ward Shook
No/Nay:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	Councilmember - 2nd Ward Menist, Council Member At-Large Wilson
Result:	Passed

Dated: November 20, 2024

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the Common Council Public Hearing held on Tuesday, November 19, 2024.

**Respectfully submitted,
Donna M. DeLuca
Deputy City Chamberlain**

**RESOLUTION
(R-24-73)**

**RESOLUTION INTRODUCING A LOCAL LAW TO OVERRIDE THE TAX LEVY
LIMIT ESTABLISHED IN GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW § 3-c**

**INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER WILSON, SHOOK, PATTERSON-
THOMPSON, HENRY, MENIST, BROWN, JAMES, GRANT AND DEICHLER:**

BE IT RESOLVED that an introductory Local Law entitled, “**A LOCAL LAW TO
OVERRIDE THE TAX LEVY LIMIT ESTABLISHED IN GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW
§ 3-c**” 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, November 19, 2024 at 6:00
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 _____ .

LOCAL LAW NO. ____ OF 2024

**A LOCAL LAW TO OVERRIDE THE TAX LEVY LIMIT ESTABLISHED IN
GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW § 3-c**

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER _____

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

Section 1. LEGISLATIVE INTENT

It is the intent of this local law to override the limit on the amount of real property taxes that may be levied by the City of Poughkeepsie, County of Dutchess pursuant to General Municipal Law § 3-c, and to allow the City of Poughkeepsie, County of Dutchess to adopt a budget for the 2025 fiscal year that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the “tax levy limit” as defined by General Municipal Law § 3-c.

Section 2. AUTHORITY

This local law is adopted pursuant to subdivision 5 of General Municipal Law §3-c, which expressly authorizes the City Council to override the tax levy limit by the adoption of a local law approved by the Common Council.

Section 3. TAX LEVY LIMIT OVERRIDE

The City of Poughkeepsie Common Council is hereby authorized to override the Tax Levy Limit established pursuant to N.Y. General Municipal Law §3-c, for Fiscal Year 2025, and to adopt a budget for Fiscal Year 2025 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the amount otherwise prescribed in N.Y. General Municipal Law §3-c.

Section 4. SEVERABILITY

If any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, section or part of this Local Law or the application thereof to any person, individual, corporation, firm, partnership, entity or circumstance shall be adjudged by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unconstitutional, such order or judgment shall not affect, impair, effect or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, section or part of this law or in its application to the person, individual, corporation, firm, partnership, entity or circumstance directly involved in the controversy in which such order or judgment shall be rendered.

Section 5. EFFECTIVE DATE

This local law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State.

SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER _____.