

**A Resolution Submitted by  
Legislators Miller-Williams and Burke**

**Re: Audio and Video Recording Erie County Legislature Sessions, Committee Meetings and Public Hearings via Contractor to broadcast on the Erie County Website and Public Access Channels**

**WHEREAS**, the Erie County Legislature desires to provide greater notice and transparency in the introduction, discussion and adoption of items that come before the Legislature in accordance with New York State Open Meetings Law; and

**WHEREAS**, the Erie County Legislature's 2017 Rules of Order Section 5.08(6)(7)(9) shows that the Legislature is cognizant of the use electronic devices to create audio and video recordings of Legislative Sessions, Committee Meetings and Public Hearings; and

**WHEREAS**, the Erie County Legislature does not currently video record Legislative Sessions, Committee Meetings and Public Hearings to publish on the Erie County website or Public Access Channels in Erie County for public viewing; and

**WHEREAS**, publishing of the Legislative Sessions, Committee Meetings and Public Hearings to the Erie County website and Public Access Channels in Erie County will promote civic engagement and public participation, this practice will also increase access to government for Erie County Legislature constituents.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT**

**RESOLVED**, that the Erie County Legislature directs the preparation and issuance of a Request for Proposal (RFP) for a Contractor to provide audio/video recording solutions for the Erie County Legislature to publish Legislative Sessions, Committee Meetings and Public Hearings on the Erie County Website and on Public Access Channels in Erie County and also to purchase and install the necessary technology and services needed to stream all public meetings live through the internet; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to Hon. Marc Poloncarz, Erie County Executive, Hon. Stefan Mychajliw, Erie County Comptroller, Vallie Ferraraccio of Erie County Division of Purchasing and Michael Breeden and Lori Stilwell of Erie County Division of Information and Support Services.

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