



THE ERIE COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Session No. 9

April 23, 2020

April N.M. Baskin
Chair

Timothy J. Meyers
Majority Leader

Joseph C. Lorigo
Minority Leader

Robert M. Graber
Clerk of the Legislature

ROLL CALL

INVOCATION – Mr. Gilmour

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Ms. Chimera

TABLED ITEMS - Rules of the Legislature for 2020

ITEMS FOR RECONSIDERATION FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING – [Meeting No. 8](#)

PUBLIC HEARING

MISCELLANEOUS RESOLUTIONS:

GILMOUR [Recognizing the Praiseworthy Life of William J. "Bill" Griffin](#)

TODARO [Commemorating the 100th Birthday of Stanley Markut - WWII Veteran](#)

LORIGO, RATH, TODARO & MILLS [Honoring D.J. Granville Upon Being the Recipient of the Bar Association of Erie County's 2020 Police Officer Award](#)

JOHNSON [Honoring and Thanking Steve Bystran, Owner at Lakeward Spirits, for His Generous Donation to the Buffalo Fire and Police Departments](#)

LOCAL LAWS:

REFERENCE:

LL INTRO. 9-1 9/23/2019	LORIGO	A LL creating the Road and Infrastructure Specialist Advisory Board	Government Affairs
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LL INTRO. 1-1 1/31/2020	MEYERS, VINAL, BASKIN, JOHNSON, CHIMERA & HARDWICK	A LL titled, "The Jail Management Transparency and Accountability Act"	Public Safety
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LL INTRO. 2-1 3/3/2020	RATH	A LL banning individuals from holding elected offices or being appointed to certain boards or commissions who are convicted of certain felony charges otherwise known as the "Public Trust and Accountability Act"	Government Affairs
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COMMITTEE REPORTS:

LEGISLATOR RESOLUTIONS:

REFERENCE:

INTRO. 9-1	BASKIN, MEYERS, GILMOUR, JOHNSON, CHIMERA & HARDWICK	Expressing Concern Over the Possible Transfer of Local Ventilators & Personal Protective Equipment and the Lack of Federal Ventilators Provided to NYS
INTRO. 9-2	BASKIN, MEYERS, HARDWICK, JOHNSON, GILMOUR, CHIMERA & VINAL	Support for Using Plastic Bags at Grocery and Related Stores Due to COVID-19 Outbreak
INTRO. 9-3	CHIMERA	Expressing Concern Over Nursing Homes and NYS Dept. of Health Lack of Transparency During COVID-19 Outbreak
INTRO. 9-4	BASKIN	Support for "Essential" Bus Passes and COVID-19 Protections for NFTA Operators and Passengers <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Proposed Amendment to INTRO. 9-4
INTRO. 9-5	BASKIN	Calling for the Establishment of a COVID-19 Drive-Thru Testing Site on the East Side of Buffalo
INTRO. 9-6	JOHNSON	Calling for the Establishment of a COVID-19 Drive-Thru Testing Site on the Lower West Side of Buffalo
INTRO. 9-7	JOHNSON	Supporting Action to Crack Down on Price-Gouging Stores or Entities Operating in Erie County During the COVID-19 Crisis
INTRO. 9-8	BASKIN, GILMOUR, VINAL, CHIMERA, MEYERS, JOHNSON & HARDWICK	Supporting Healthcare Workers and First Responders and the Acquisition of Personal Protective Equipment from the Federal Government
INTRO. 9-9	JOHNSON, MEYERS, CHIMERA, GILMOUR, HARDWICK, BASKIN & VINAL	Support for Allowing "No-Excuse" Expanded Absentee Voting in New York State
INTRO. 9-10	LORIGO, RATH, TODARO & MILLS	Request for Federal Aid to Local Municipalities to Address Short-Term Budget Gaps Created by Measures to Impede the Spread of COVID-19
INTRO. 9-11	HARDWICK, MEYERS, GILMOUR, JOHNSON, CHIMERA & BASKIN	Calling on the Federal Government to Amend the CARES Act to Allow Federal Financial Aid to Cover Lost Revenues for Local Governments

INTRO. 9-12	CHIMERA, VINAL & MEYERS	Supporting More Personal Protective Equipment for Daycare & Childcare Workers
INTRO. 9-13	LORIGO, RATH, TODARO & MILLS	Support for Extending the Deadline for Reporting the 2020 Census
INTRO. 9-14	RATH & MILLS	Support for the Jump-Start New York Initiative

COMMUNICATIONS DISCHARGED FROM COMMITTEE:

REFERENCE:

From the Economic Development Committee:

COMM. 6E-27	COUNTY EXECUTIVE	New Lancaster Highway Maintenance Facility
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SUSPENSION OF THE RULES:

REFERENCE:

COMM. 9M-12	BUFFALO TRANSIT RIDERS UNITED	Supporting Resolution Urging the NFTA to Protect Riders & Drivers
COMM. 9M-13	M. MILES JOHNSON	Letter Supporting Protection of NFTA Riders & Drivers

COMMUNICATIONS FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS:

REFERENCE:

COMM. 9E-1	COMPTROLLER	Report of Apportionment & Distribution of Net Collections from Sales Tax - 12/2019 to 02/2020	Finance & Management
COMM. 9E-2	GILMOUR	Letter to Sheriff Supporting Hazard Pay for Jail Management Personnel During COVID-19 Outbreak	Public Safety
COMM. 9E-3	COMPTROLLER	Letter to Senators of NYS Regarding Use of Resources Administered by CARES Act	Finance & Management
COMM. 9E-4	COMPTROLLER	Law Dept. Spending, January & February 2020	Finance & Management
COMM. 9E-5	BASKIN	Letter to Gov. Cuomo Concerning Obtainment of Data on COVID-19 Testing, Positive Cases and Deaths	Health & Human Services
COMM. 9E-6	BASKIN & JOHNSON	Letter to U.S. Dept. of HHS Relating to COVID-19 Reporting of Data to States and Local Governments on Racial Disparities	Health & Human Services
COMM. 9E-7	BASKIN	Rescheduling of the April 23, 2020 Legislative Session from 2:00 pm to 11:00 am Due to the Coronavirus Pandemic	RFP

COMM. 9E-8	GILMOUR	Letter Requesting N95 Respirator Masks for Jail Management Personnel and Detainees/Prisoners	Public Safety
COMM. 9E-9	MEYERS	Letter to Budget Dept. Requesting Analysis of NYS 2020-2021 Budget and Its Impact on EC	Finance & Management
COMM. 9E-10	BASKIN	Letter to NFTA Regarding Employee Safety & Data Analysis	Economic Development
COMM. 9E-11	COMPTROLLER	2020 Revenue Anticipation Note Notification	Finance & Management
COMM. 9E-12	BASKIN	Letter to NFTA Regarding Protection of NFTA Bus & Rail Operators & Passengers During the COVID-19 Outbreak	Economic Development
COMM. 9E-13	COMPTROLLER	Supplier Pay Program - Sets Revenue Record	Finance & Management
COMM. 9E-14	COMPTROLLER	Letter Regarding NYS Budget Impacts on EC	Finance & Management
COMM. 9E-15	COMPTROLLER	Letter Regarding Impact of Sales Tax Revenue Decline	Finance & Management
COMM. 9E-16	COUNTY EXECUTIVE	ECSD No. 3 - Engineering Term Contract Agreement	Energy & Environment
COMM. 9E-17	COUNTY EXECUTIVE	ECSD No. 6 - Well St. & Wilmuth Ave. Pumping Station Electrical Upgrades	Energy & Environment
COMM. 9E-18	COUNTY EXECUTIVE	ECSD No. 6 - Engineering Term Contract Agreement	Energy & Environment
COMM. 9E-19	COUNTY EXECUTIVE	Waiver of Property Transfer Inspection Fee	
COMM. 9E-20	COUNTY EXECUTIVE	Indigent Legal Services Grant - ILS Distribution #10	Finance & Management
COMM. 9E-21	COUNTY EXECUTIVE	2019 Year-End Budget Balancing Amendments & Designations	Finance & Management
COMM. 9E-22	COUNTY EXECUTIVE	Grant Programs - Authorization to Contract	Finance & Management
<u>COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE DEPARTMENTS:</u>			<u>REFERENCE:</u>
COMM. 9D-1	DEPT. OF LAW	Local Emergency Orders, EC State of Emergency Declarations & Extensions	Health & Human Services
COMM. 9D-2	COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE	Report on Certain Local Impacts of CARES Act	Finance & Management
COMM. 9D-3	COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE	Report on NYS Budget Impacts on EC	Finance & Management

COMM. 9D-4	CLERK OF LEGISLATURE	Erie County Legislature - Notice on April 23, 2020 Session Time Change	RFP
COMM. 9D-5	BUDGET DIRECTOR	Fund 252 Consumption Report - RE: COVID-19 Funding	Finance & Management
<u>COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PEOPLE AND OTHER AGENCIES:</u>			<u>REFERENCE:</u>
COMM. 9M-1	ECMC	2019 ECMC Annual Report	Health & Human Services
COMM. 9M-2	VILLAGE OF WILLIAMSVILLE	Certified Copy of Resolution Opposing the Accelerated Renewable Energy Growth & Community Benefit Act	Energy & Environment
COMM. 9M-3	NFTA	NFTA Board Minutes for Meeting Held on 2/27/2020	Economic Development
COMM. 9M-4	AFRICAN AMERICAN VETERANS MONUMENT COMMITTEE	Letter Thanking Legislature for Support of the African American Veterans Monument	Community Enrichment
COMM. 9M-5	EC BOARD OF ETHICS	Annual Report of Activities for 2019	Government Affairs
COMM. 9M-6	BUFFALO & EC PUBLIC LIBRARY	Proposed Agenda for Meeting to be Held on 04/16/2020	Community Enrichment
COMM. 9M-7	NYSDEC	Fact Sheet - Record of Decision for Forge Site - 2390 Kenmore Ave., Town of Tonawanda	Energy & Environment
COMM. 9M-8	NYSDEC	Invitation for Public Comment - Brownfield Cleanup Program Application for 125 Chandler St., Buffalo	Energy & Environment
COMM. 9M-9	PLANT WNY	Correspondence Concerning Classification of Essential Work	Government Affairs
COMM. 9M-10	NYSDEC	Public Notice - Brownfield Cleanup Program Application for 356 Hertel Ave. & 42 Foundry St.	Energy & Environment
COMM. 9M-11	ASSIGNED COUNSEL PROGRAM	Quarterly Report for 1st Quarter of 2020	Finance & Management

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

MEMORIAL RESOLUTIONS:

ADJOURNMENT: