



COMMON COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETING
COUNCIL OPERATIONS AND ETHICS COMMITTEE

Richard Conti, Chair

Meeting called by: Richard Conti, Chair Date: 1-20-21 Time: 5:30PM

Committee

Members Present: Fahey, Chair Frederick Hoey Igoe Kimbrough

Invitees/Speakers

Council Members

Present: Balarin, Flynn, Love and Anane

City Personnel

Present: John-Raphael Pichardo and Danielle Gillespie

Minutes

Agenda Item (s):

RESOLUTION NUMBER 1.11.21R

RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL TO ENCOURAGING A COMMUNITY CONVERSATION ON CHANGES TO THE FLAG OF THE CITY OF ALBANY

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2.11.21R

RESOLUTION CALLING ON THE NEW YORK STATE LEGISLATURE TO ENACT LEGISLATION THAT WOULD ALLOW ABSENTEE BALLOTS TO BE COUNTED EARLIER

Questions and Discussion

- The Chair called the meeting to order.
- Council member Owusu Anane provided justification for Resolution 1.11.21R
- Council members Hoey, Balarin, Igoe spoke on the legislation
- The Chair opened up public comment
- Danielle Gillespie read comments for the record
- Council members Balarin, Frederick, Igoe and Hoey asked questions in which Council Owusu Anane answered

- Council member Hoey made a motion to move Resolution 1.11.21R out of committee with a positive recommendation, which was seconded by Council Member Frederick. The motion passed unanimous.
- Council member Joyce Love provided justification for Resolution 2.11.21R
- Council member Conti, Hoey, Balarin, Igoe, Flynn and Frederick spoke on the legislation
- Council member Igoe made a motion to move Resolution 2.11.21R out of committee with a positive recommendation, which was seconded by Council Member Hoey. The motion passed unanimous.

Public Comment:

Mary Cabuhat, Albany, NY (support Resolution 1.11.21)

Adjourn:

Council member Hoey asked for a motion to adjourn, which was duly made, seconded, and passed.

This meeting was held following Governor Cuomo's executive order 202.1. It live streamed on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/albany.commoncouncil/> using Zoom as the meeting platform.

Link to meeting recording: <https://fb.watch/38xYtwGYkC/>

Respectfully Submitted,

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