

Authorizing The Creation Of One New Full-Time Assistant District Attorney – Amending the 2007 Ulster County Budget – District Attorney

The Criminal Justice and Safety Committee (Chairman Dart and Legislators Distel, Gregorius, R.A. Parete, Zimet, Aiello and Every) offers the following:

WHEREAS, the New York State Office of Court Administration has determined that the size and complexity of the Ulster County docket requires the assignment of additional judges to Ulster County to handle the felony caseload, and

WHEREAS, the Office of the Ulster County District Attorney is not presently staffed to accommodate appearances before an additional judge without disruptive case reassignments, and

WHEREAS, the shifting nature of criminal cases from street crime to complex issues of domestic violence, child abuse, and white collar crime investigations requires more intensive preparation and investigation work by Assistant District Attorneys assigned to those cases, and

WHEREAS, in order for the Office of the District Attorney to be in a position to respond to requests for assistance in instances of white collar crime or corruption, it must be able to provide prosecutorial services focused exclusively on such matters for perhaps extended periods of time, and

WHEREAS, the Ulster County District Attorney has identified the need for a full-time, benefited, Assistant District Attorney to perform investigatory tasks in support of these prosecutions, and

WHEREAS, the Ulster County District Attorney is authorized and empowered to employ Assistant District Attorneys as may be necessary to the extent allowed by New York State Civil Service Rules, and

WHEREAS, the Ulster County District Attorney has requested that a new position of a full-time Assistant District Attorney be created, and

WHEREAS, the Criminal Justice and Safety Committee has met and reviewed said request with a majority of the members voting approval, and

WHEREAS, the Personnel Committee has met and reviewed such request with a majority of the members voting approval, and

WHEREAS, the Ways and Means Committee has met and reviewed said request with a majority of the members voting approval.

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RESOLVED, that the 2007 Ulster County Budget is hereby amended as follows:

	<u>CREATE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
1165-1209 (PC #)	Assistant District Attorney Full-time *Annual Salary - \$42,441.00 *Annual Benefits - \$18,890 (Salary to Year End – \$23,253.00) (Benefits to Year End – \$8,891.00) (Effective June 14, 2007)	\$42,441.00*

	<u>TRANSFER</u>	
<u>FROM</u>		<u>AMOUNT</u>
A4-1331-4553 (App. #)	Contingent Account	\$32,234.00
<u>TO</u>		<u>AMOUNT</u>
A4-1031-1005	Regular Pay, District Attorney (Effective June 14, 2007) To Year End	\$23,253.00
A4-3800-8001	State Retirement	\$ 2,257.00
A4-3850-8002	Social Security	\$ 1,797.00
A4-4000-8021 (App. #'s)	Health Insurance	\$ 4,927.00

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and moves its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 31 NOES: 0
(Absent: Legislator Felicello)
(Legislator Stoeckeler left at 8:05 PM)

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

\$23,253.00 – SALARY TO YEAR END

\$ 8,981.00 – BENEFITS TO YEAR END

\$32,234.00 – TRANSFER FROM CONTINGENCY – BUDGETED

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