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- 2 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Legislator
- 3 Dunne, would you please lead us in the
- 4 Pledge of Allegiance.
- 5 (The Pledge of Allegiance was
- 6 recited.)
- 7 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: This
- 8 session is for committees and we begin with
- 9 the Rules Committee. It is customary, we do
- 10 the contracts first, and then we recess so
- 11 the remaining committees can meet and
- 12 forward items to the Rules Committee.
- So, without any further ado, Mr.
- 14 Pultizer, please call the roll for the Rules
- 15 Committee.
- 16 CLERK PULITZER: Thank you,
- 17 ma'am. Norma Gonsalves, chairwoman?
- 18 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Present.
- 19 CLERK PULITZER: Substituting for
- 20 Vice Chairman Nicolello Vincent Muscarella?
- 21 LEGISLATOR MUSCARELLA: Here.
- 22 CLERK PULITZER: Legislator
- 23 Dennis Dunne?
- LEGISLATOR DUNNE: Here.
- 25 CLERK PULITZER: Legislator

- 1 Rules Committee/10-5-16
- 2 Howard Kopel?
- 3 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Here.
- 4 CLERK PULITZER: Ranking Member
- 5 Kevan Abrahams?
- 6 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: Here.
- 7 CLERK PULITZER: Ms.
- 8 DeRiggi-Whitton?
- 9 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON:
- 10 Here.
- 11 CLERK PULITZER: Carrie Solages?
- 12 LEGISLATOR SOLAGES: Here.
- 13 CLERK PULITZER: We have a
- 14 quorum, ma'am.
- 15 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Thank you
- 16 very much, Mr. Pulitzer. Off we go to the
- 17 contracts that are before us today.
- Beginning with A-20-16, a
- 19 resolution authorizing the director of
- 20 Nassau County, Office of Purchasing to award
- 21 and execute a contract between the County of
- 22 Nassau acting on behalf of the Nassau County
- 23 Police Department Aviation Unit and Dallas
- 24 Airmotive, Inc.
- Motion, please.

- 1 Rules Committee/10-5-16
- 2 LEGISLATOR DUNNE: So moved.
- 3 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Second.
- 4 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Moved by
- 5 Legislator Dunne, seconded by Legislator
- 6 Kopel.
- 7 LIEUTENANT STEPHANOFF: Good
- 8 afternoon, Lieutenant Greg Stephanoff from
- 9 the Police Department.
- 10 Item A-20 is to authorize and
- 11 award a blanket purchase order with Dallas
- 12 Airmotive Incorporated. This is a service
- 13 contract for the two new helicopters that we
- 14 just purchased to do engine overhaul and
- 15 repair to keep the helicopters maintained.
- 16 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: I need to
- 17 enter into the record the time that the item
- 18 was submitted and it was September 27, 2016
- 19 at 3:58 in the afternoon.
- 20 Any questions of the lieutenant
- 21 regarding this item? Legislator
- 22 DeRiggi-Whitton.
- LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON:
- 24 Thank you. Is this a sole source type of
- 25 situation?

- 1 Rules Committee/10-5-16
- 2 LIEUTENANT STEPHANOFF: No. This
- 3 was advertised in Newsday and posted on the
- 4 county bid solicitation and it was chosen
- 5 from two vendors. We didn't use it as a
- 6 sole source.
- 7 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON:
- 8 Under previous contracts, how much do the
- 9 helicopter repairs usually cost annually?
- 10 LIEUTENANT STEPHANOFF: It goes
- 11 by flight hours. With the FAA regulations,
- 12 per flight hours, you have to maintain the
- 13 helicopter, the same with an aircraft.
- 14 We do an overhaul every 4,000
- 15 flight hours and in between we use it if
- 16 there's any repair that we have to make.
- 17 Repairs, it's as things go, and the flight
- 18 hours are periodic overhauls that we have to
- 19 do per the FAA.
- 20 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: This
- 21 question might be better for the County
- 22 Attorney's Office, but do you know why
- 23 paragraph B of the amendment indemnification
- 24 clause, please explain how that works, it
- 25 seems like it's not a typical or standard

- 1 Rules Committee/10-5-16
- 2 clause as far as holding the county
- 3 harmless. I don't see the County Attorney
- 4 here on that.
- 5 MR. BECKER: Somebody from the
- 6 County Attorney's Office is supposed to be
- 7 here. If you want to hold it for a few
- 8 minutes, he will be here shortly to answer
- 9 that question.
- 10 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Okay.
- 11 Motion to table.
- 12 LEGISLATOR MUSCARELLA: So moved.
- 13 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Second.
- 14 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Moved by
- 15 Legislator Muscarella, seconded by
- 16 Legislator Kopel. All those in favor of
- 17 tabling the item signify by saying aye.
- 18 (Aye.)
- 19 Any opposed?
- 20 (No verbal response.)
- The item is tabled.
- Mr. Becker, hopefully someone
- 23 from the County Attorney's Office could be
- 24 here? Thank you very much.
- The next item is A-36, a

- 1 Rules Committee/10-5-16
- 2 resolution authorizing the director of
- 3 Nassau County Office of Purchasing to award
- 4 and execute a contract between the County of
- 5 Nassau acting on behalf of the Nassau County
- 6 Correctional Center and HL Shrier & Company,
- $7 \quad Inc.$
- 8 Motion, please.
- 9 LEGISLATOR DUNNE: So moved.
- 10 LEGISLATOR MUSCARELLA: Second.
- 11 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Moved by
- 12 Legislator Dunne, seconded by Legislator
- 13 Muscarella. Who is here to speak on this
- 14 item?
- MS. HALL: Good afternoon,
- 16 legislators.
- 17 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Good
- 18 afternoon.
- 19 MS. HALL: Narda Hall from the
- 20 Correctional Center. The item before you is
- 21 for H. Shrier & Company. The item is for
- 22 food for the correctional center. H. Shrier
- 23 & Company is located in Brooklyn, New York.
- They submitted bids for 204 items
- 25 and it is recommended that Shrier & Company

- 1 Rules Committee/10-5-16
- 2 be awarded a contract for 75 of these items
- 3 with an estimated total of \$112,964.82.
- 4 When these items are calculated
- 5 by unit or measure, such as pounds, ounces
- 6 or grams, H. Shrier, Inc. is the lowest cost
- 7 responsible bidder for each of these 75
- 8 items. The remaining items are being
- 9 awarded to the lowest cost responsible
- 10 bidders for those items.
- 11 Historically, the company has
- 12 held food requirement contracts with Nassau
- 13 County with satisfactory performances and
- 14 the award is for an estimated six months.
- 15 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Any
- 16 questions or comments from the legislators?
- 17 (No verbal response.)
- There being none, is there any
- 19 public comment?
- 20 (No verbal response.)
- 21 There being none, all those in
- 22 favor of Contract A-36 signify by saying
- 23 aye.
- 24 (Aye.)
- 25 Any opposed?

- 1 Rules Committee/10-5-16
- 2 (Nay.)
- 3 The item passes four to three.
- 4 Thank you very much.
- 5 The next item is B-12-16, a
- 6 resolution authorizing the County Executive
- 7 to award and execute a contract between the
- 8 County of Nassau acting on behalf of the
- 9 Nassau County Department of Public Works and
- 10 RJ Industries, Inc.
- 11 A motion, please.
- 12 LEGISLATOR DUNNE: So moved.
- 13 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Second.
- 14 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Moved by
- 15 Legislator Dunne, seconded by Legislator
- 16 Kopel. Who is here to speak on this item?
- 17 Mr. Arnold.
- MR. ARNOLD: Kenneth Arnold,
- 19 Public Works. B-12 is a construction
- 20 contract for the relocation and hardening of
- 21 pump stations located on Doherty Boulevard,
- 22 Bayview Avenue and Roslyn Road. These pump
- 23 stations damaged by Super Storm Sandy and
- 24 they will be part of this contract and this
- 25 work will be reimbursed by FEMA.

- 1 Rules Committee/10-5-16
- 2 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Any
- 3 questions of Mr. Arnold on this contract?
- 4 Legislator DeRiggi-Whitton.
- 5 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: Has
- 6 this already been submitted to FEMA or are
- 7 you going to be submitting it in the future?
- MR. ARNOLD: The work plans have
- 9 already been submitted to FEMA as part of
- 10 our overall recovery effort, and they will
- 11 get the individual contracts as they get
- 12 approved and they're initiated.
- 13 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: So
- 14 is it technically like a new claim to FEMA
- or has it been in the works for three years?
- MR. ARNOLD: This is part of the
- 17 agreement with FEMA for the \$800 million
- 18 worth of work part of that scope of work.
- 19 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: Thank
- 20 you.
- 21 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Is that
- 22 it, Legislator DeRiggi-Whitton?
- 23 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: Yes.
- 24 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Any other
- 25 comments or questions regarding the item?

- 1 Rules Committee/10-5-16
- 2 (No verbal response.)
- 3 There being none, is there any
- 4 public comment? B-12-16, Ms. Mereday.
- 5 MS. MEREDAY: Good afternoon,
- 6 Meta J. Mereday, Baldwin. My question again
- 7 has to do with the outreach in terms of the
- 8 inclusion of diverse businesses with regard
- 9 to this contract since we are considering
- 10 reimbursement via federal funds.
- 11 You may have that information but
- 12 those of us out here are not privy to
- 13 knowing if -- I don't necessarily need to
- 14 hear about how this has been posted, et
- 15 cetera, I need to know specifics in terms of
- 16 what are the subcontracting goals have been
- 17 achieved and what companies specifically are
- 18 being included in this process. Thank you.
- 19 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: You're
- 20 welcome. There being no other public
- 21 comment, all those in favor of B-12 -- go
- 22 ahead, Minority Leader.
- LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: Just to
- 24 answer Ms. Mereday's question in looking in
- our backup as prepared by our counsel, the

- 1 Rules Committee/10-5-16
- 2 MWBE utilization plan, the letter dated on
- 3 February 5th, 2016, signed by Mr. John
- 4 Dormis of RJ Industries, he explains to your
- 5 point, Mrs. Mereday, that their utilization
- 6 rate was 6.89 percent, which is currently
- 7 below the 20 percent rate provided in the
- 8 contract.
- 9 His justification, we don't have
- 10 the -- I don't have the actual
- 11 correspondence in front of me, but I bring
- 12 it up because here is a clear example of a
- 13 vendor that is not achieving the utilization
- 14 rate or the goal that the county has set
- 15 out.
- 16 It sounds like to me that this
- 17 committee is prepared to vote for this
- 18 contract and vendor again which doesn't make
- 19 much sense if he hasn't been able to achieve
- 20 the actual goal.
- Nonetheless, I just wanted to
- 22 shed that light. I don't know if it answers
- 23 your question directly but I just wanted to
- 24 give you more information that you may not
- 25 have known about.

- 1 Rules Committee/10-5-16
- MS. MEREDAY: I definitely
- 3 appreciate that because it's not that I am
- 4 surprised by that, but it's just again that
- 5 we are continuing to dole out funding and
- 6 we're giving the premise that we are being
- 7 responsible in our fiduciary
- 8 responsibilities with the funding that we
- 9 are receiving from taxpayers, and we are not
- 10 abiding by the law.
- If it's under ten percent, that's
- 12 not even in compliance with the state and
- 13 federal guidelines. So to not even question
- 14 the justification or to have that
- information, the usual we can't find
- 16 anybody, they don't have the capacity, and
- 17 we are again in 2016, and we have not put
- 18 those parameters in place, but we still like
- 19 to put out these press releases that we are
- 20 doing so well and that we're so inclusive.
- So I do appreciate getting that
- 22 information and unfortunately it's not new
- 23 information for me, but it does continue to
- 24 reinforce the fact that we are not doing
- 25 what we need to do for diverse businesses so

1	Rules Committee/10-5-16
2	we can't complain why they keep leaving and
3	why we are not able to provide jobs for
4	particularly people of color and those who
5	are underrepresented in this county. Thank
6	you.
7	I just wanted to make sure that
8	was listed on the record so that when you
9	get asked by Newsday with regard to that,
10	please don't act like you didn't know.
11	Because we're giving them money, because
12	you're all going to support it, vote for it.
13	The majority is going to say this is what
14	we're going to do.
15	So please don't say anything
16	later that you didn't know and you have to
17	go back and check your paperwork because
18	it's right here on the record. Thank you.
19	CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: All those
20	in favor of $B-12$ signify by saying aye.
21	(Aye.)
22	Any opposed?
23	(Nay.)

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The item passes four to three.

The next item is B-32-16, a

- 1 Rules Committee/10-5-16
- 2 resolution authorizing the County Executive
- 3 to award and execute a contract between the
- 4 County of Nassau acting on behalf of the
- 5 Nassau County Department of Public Works and
- 6 192 Branch Interior Services, Inc.
- 7 A motion, please.
- 8 LEGISLATOR DUNNE: So moved.
- 9 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Second.
- 10 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Moved by
- 11 Legislator Dunne, seconded by Legislator
- 12 Kopel. Mr. Arnold.
- MR. ARNOLD: Kenneth Arnold,
- 14 Public Works. B-32 is a construction
- 15 requirements contract for lead and asbestos
- 16 abatement at various county facilities.
- 17 This contract is used by the department when
- 18 asbestos or lead contamination is run across
- 19 either by our facilities unit or by other
- 20 ongoing capital work, and this contract has
- 21 the expertise to remove the material
- 22 properly.
- 23 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Legislator
- 24 Solages.
- 25 LEGISLATOR SOLAGES: Good

- 1 Rules Committee/10-5-16
- 2 afternoon, Mr. Arnold. How are you doing?
- 3 MR. ARNOLD: I'm good. Thank
- 4 you.
- 5 LEGISLATOR SOLAGES: Can you
- 6 please explain on the record the difference
- 7 between the \$633,700 bid amount and the
- 8 contract amount of \$900,000 for the past two
- 9 years?
- MR. ARNOLD: Can you say that
- 11 again?
- 12 LEGISLATOR SOLAGES: Can you
- 13 please explain on the record the difference
- 14 between the \$633,700 bid amount and the
- 15 contract amount of \$900,000 for two years?
- MR. ARNOLD: So the engineer's
- 17 estimate is based upon what we assume is
- 18 units of work that will occur based on our
- 19 experience over the last two-year period.
- 20 That unit is utilized by the
- 21 contractors who apply their fee to that,
- 22 which is why the fee of the lowest bidder is
- \$633,000 using our bid factors, their unit
- 24 prices come to that number.
- 25 LEGISLATOR SOLAGES: Why is the

- 1 Rules Committee/10-5-16
- 2 contract for \$900,000?
- 3 MR. ARNOLD: That's what we
- 4 believe we will need for cap space in the
- 5 contract over the two year period based on
- 6 our experience.
- 7 LEGISLATOR SOLAGES: But if you
- 8 look at these bids, 192 Branch Interior
- 9 Services and the other by Grammercy Group
- 10 Incorporated, there is a stark difference
- 11 between \$633,000 and \$3,322,710. Why such a
- 12 big difference?
- MR. ARNOLD: It's based on the
- 14 contractors and bid prices. So some of the
- 15 contractors have much higher unit bid prices
- 16 than the other contractors.
- 17 LEGISLATOR SOLAGES: Thank you.
- 18 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Any other
- 19 comments or questions from the legislators?
- 20 (No verbal response.)
- Is there any public comment on
- 22 B-32?
- 23 (No verbal response.)
- 24 There being none, all those in
- 25 favor of Contract B-32 signify by saying

- 1 Rules Committee/10-5-16
- 2 aye.
- 3 (Aye.)
- 4 Any opposed?
- 5 (Nay.)
- The item passes four to three.
- 7 The next item is E-217, which is
- 8 a personal services agreement between the
- 9 County of Nassau acting on behalf of the
- 10 County Department of Information Technology
- 11 and American Communication Industries.
- Motion, please.
- 13 LEGISLATOR DUNNE: So moved.
- 14 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Second.
- 15 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Moved by
- 16 Legislator Dunne, seconded by Legislator
- 17 Kopel. Who is here to speak on this item?
- 18 Do we have anyone from IT? No one here, Mr.
- 19 Becker?
- MR. BECKER: Madam Chair, they're
- 21 supposed to be here, let me call them in.
- 22 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: I'm going
- 23 to table it. A motion to table 217.
- 24 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Second.
- 25 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Seconded

- 1 Rules Committee/10-5-16
- 2 by Legislator Kopel. All those in favor of
- 3 tabling E-217 signify by saying aye.
- 4 (Aye.)
- 5 Any opposed?
- 6 (No verbal response.)
- 7 The item is tabled.
- The next item is E-221, a
- 9 personal services agreement between the
- 10 County of Nassau acting on behalf of the
- 11 Nassau County Department of Social Services
- 12 and Nassau Health Care Corporation.
- Motion, please.
- 14 LEGISLATOR DUNNE: So moved.
- 15 LEGISLATOR MUSCARELLA: Second.
- 16 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Moved by
- 17 Legislator Dunne, seconded by Legislator
- 18 Muscarella. Who is here to speak on this
- 19 item?
- MR. BRODERICK: Good afternoon,
- 21 Paul Broderick, Department of Social
- 22 Services.
- The item before you is a contract
- 24 between the Department of Social Services
- 25 and Nassau Health Care Corporation for

- 1 Rules Committee/10-5-16
- 2 providing us with nurses. Do you have any
- 3 questions?
- 4 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Any
- 5 questions for Mr. Broderick? Legislator
- 6 DeRiggi-Whitton.
- 7 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: Thank
- 8 you. I do support this but I have a
- 9 question about this contract. The original
- 10 contract expired December 31st of 2015; is
- 11 that correct?
- MR. BRODERICK: I thought it was
- 13 earlier than that. It could have been '14.
- 14 This is a 2015 contract. So I guess really
- 15 your question and, just correct me if I'm
- 16 wrong, to get to the bottom line why is it
- 17 so delayed?
- 18 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: Yes.
- MR. BRODERICK: We had forwarded
- 20 this to, along with all of our other
- 21 contracts, for '15 at the time. We usually
- 22 send it out towards the end of the year.
- The Health Care Corporation is
- 24 traditionally tardy in returning it back to
- 25 us. With the change in disclosure forms

- 1 Rules Committee/10-5-16
- 2 last year, I believe there were some issues
- 3 that they had on their side regarding
- 4 returning it back.
- I know there were a number of
- 6 other contracts within the county and they
- 7 experienced similar issues in returning
- 8 contracts back to us.
- 9 To the best of my knowledge, the
- 10 County Attorney's Office had interceded to
- 11 get us that information and here is where we
- 12 are.
- We received the information
- 14 recently and got it on the calendar. I
- 15 believe there is another contract with the
- 16 Health Department in a similar situation.
- 17 Last year, in anticipation of
- 18 this, we accrued monies. It didn't impact
- 19 any kind of funding or we didn't lose out on
- 20 any reimbursement opportunities.
- 21 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON:
- 22 That's what my next question was. So the
- 23 federal and the state money are still
- 24 available?
- MR. BRODERICK: Absolutely. Part

1	Rules Committee/10-5-16
2	of the year end accounting, we accrued for
3	the liability because we did owe them the
4	money. We just didn't have a contract. We
5	were waiting for them to react and, as I
6	mentioned, the County Attorney basically
7	straightened that out for us, not only DSS,
8	but ultimately the Health Department has a
9	similar contract in a similar situation.
10	CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Any other
11	questions from the legislators?
12	(No verbal response.)
13	Is there any public comment?
14	(No verbal response.)
15	There being none, all those in
16	favor of E-221 signify by saying aye.
17	(Aye.)
18	Any opposed?
19	(No verbal response.)
20	Minority Leader Kevan Abrahams
21	recused himself, so it passes six to zero.
22	The next item is E-222, a
23	personal services agreement between the
24	County of Nassau acting on behalf of the
25	County Department of Corrections and

- 1 Rules Committee/10-5-16
- 2 New York Board of Rabbis.
- Motion, please.
- 4 LEGISLATOR DUNNE: So moved.
- 5 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Second.
- 6 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Moved by
- 7 Legislator Dunne, seconded by Legislator
- 8 Kopel. Who is here to speak on this item?
- 9 MS. HALL: Narda Hall,
- 10 correctional center.
- 11 The item before you is for the
- 12 New York Board of Rabbis to provide
- 13 religious services and counseling to the
- 14 inmate population of the Nassau County
- 15 Correctional Center. The funding period is
- 16 for January through December 2016 for 8,400
- 17 \$400.
- 18 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Any
- 19 questions on this item?
- 20 (No verbal response.)
- Is there any public comment?
- (No verbal response.)
- There being none, all those in
- 24 favor of E-222 signify by saying aye.
- 25 (Aye.)

- 1 Rules Committee/10-5-16
- 2 Any opposed?
- 3 (No verbal response.)
- 4 I quess the item passes again
- 5 this time seven to zero. Thank you very
- 6 much.
- 7 The next item is E-223, a
- 8 personal services agreement between the
- 9 County of Nassau acting on behalf of the
- 10 Nassau County Traffic and Parking Violations
- 11 Agency and Lawrence M. Schaefer.
- Motion, please.
- 13 LEGISLATOR DUNNE: So moved.
- 14 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Second.
- 15 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Moved by
- 16 Legislator Dunne, seconded by Legislator
- 17 Kopel. And we have?
- MR. RICH: Dave Rich, Assistant
- 19 Executive Director of Traffic and Parking
- 20 Violations Agency.
- 21 The amendment is to extend the
- 22 one year contract for one of our judicial
- 23 hearing officers. We currently have 19
- 24 judicial hearing officers at TPVA.
- 25 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Any

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2	questions from the legislators regarding
3	this item?
4	(No verbal response.)
5	Is there any public comment?
6	(No verbal response.)
7	There being none, all those in
8	favor of E-223 signify by saying aye.
9	(Aye.)
10	Any opposed?
11	(No verbal response.)
12	The item passes unanimously.
13	The next item is E-224, a
14	personal services agreement between the
15	County of Nassau acting on behalf the Nassau
16	County Department of Public Works and
17	Gannett Plumbing Engineers and Architects.
18	Motion, please.
19	LEGISLATOR DUNNE: So moved.
20	LEGISLATOR MUSCARELLA: Second.
21	CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Moved by
22	Legislator Dunne, seconded by Legislator
23	Muscarella. We have?
24	MR. ARNOLD: Kenneth Arnold,
25	Public Works.

- 1 Rules Committee/10-5-16
- E-224 is a design contract for
- 3 the rehabilitation of the screening and
- 4 disinfection facility at Bay Park. This was
- 5 a facility that was damaged under Sandy and
- 6 this is a contract to repair the facility
- 7 and harden it for future storms. Gannett
- 8 Plumbing was the highest technically ranked
- 9 submittal.
- 10 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Any
- 11 questions of Mr. Arnold on this item?
- 12 Legislator Dunne.
- 13 LEGISLATOR DUNNE: Just a quick
- 14 question if you know. With the storm
- 15 supposedly coming towards us, is this going
- 16 to be done in time to prevent any damage?
- 17 MR. ARNOLD: That storm actually
- 18 turned out to sea so I'm not worried about
- 19 it at the moment. This work is only just
- 20 starting, the rest of Bay Park, I know
- 21 there's measures in place that if we had to
- 22 enclose the berm, it's not a completed
- 23 contract, there are contingencies for us to
- 24 encapsulate that facility in case of a
- 25 storm.

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- LEGISLATOR DUNNE: Thank you.
- 3 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Any other
- 4 comments or questions from the legislators?
- 5 Minority leader.
- 6 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: Mr. Arnold,
- 7 my question is more tied into the
- 8 termination date which is specified in the
- 9 contract as 12-31-20. The termination date
- 10 of the contract. So it would go to roughly
- 11 2020.
- MR. ARNOLD: I agree.
- 13 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: So my
- 14 greater question is, it appears that we are,
- the entire amount of the contract, \$859,300
- 16 is being encumbered now.
- MR. ARNOLD: That's correct.
- 18 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: But
- 19 appendix B of the contract states that we
- 20 would be paying the installments monthly.
- 21 So I'm just trying to figure out
- 22 if the contract is to be paid \$859,300 now,
- 23 is it DPW disregarding an essential
- 24 provision of the contract.
- MR. ARNOLD: Ask the question

- 1 Rules Committee/10-5-16
- 2 again.
- 3 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: You had
- 4 agreed that the \$859,300 is being encumbered
- 5 now; is that correct?
- MR. ARNOLD: That's correct.
- 7 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: So Appendix
- 8 B of the contract states that the FDE shall
- 9 be paid in monthly installments; is that
- 10 correct?
- 11 MR. ARNOLD: That's correct.
- 12 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: So my
- 13 question really becomes, if the contract is
- 14 paid \$859,300 now, isn't DPW disregarding an
- 15 essential provision?
- MR. ARNOLD: No. We are covering
- 17 the full amount of the contract now. We'll
- 18 pay a percentage of that 859 over the
- 19 duration of the contract based on the
- 20 payment schedule.
- 21 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: How does
- 22 that work? Let me write that down. So you
- would encumber the 859?
- 24 MR. ARNOLD: Into the financial
- 25 system. So it's held against that contract.

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- 2 The contractor submits progress schedules of
- 3 what work was completed. I'm not sure if
- 4 this contract is based on percentage
- 5 complete or by a monthly allocation. I
- 6 would have to go through it myself.
- 7 But we would pay it based on
- 8 their progress throughout the duration of
- 9 the design services.
- 10 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: I'm done.
- 11 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Mr. Arnold,
- 12 let me ask you this. The entire amount is
- 13 \$859,300. It will not exceed that amount of
- 14 money. That is going to be paid on a
- 15 monthly basis based on the work that is
- 16 being done?
- 17 MR. ARNOLD: Will not exceed that
- 18 amount unless we come back to you for
- 19 additional resources.
- 20 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Okay.
- 21 That's what I wanted to know.
- 22 Any other comments or questions
- 23 from the legislators?
- (No verbal response.)
- Is there any public comment? Ms.

- 1 Rules Committee/10-5-16
- 2 Mereday.
- 3 MS. MEREDAY: Meta J. Mereday,
- 4 Baldwin resident. Again, my question has to
- 5 do with the outreach and the inclusion of
- 6 underrepresented businesses in this.
- 7 Again, you have all these forms
- 8 and utilizations and qualifications but you
- 9 don't seem to be measuring up to the numbers
- 10 or the percentages that are in place.
- 11 Unfortunately all of you have the
- 12 information and the public doesn't find out
- 13 about it until there's a problem.
- So I just need some clarification
- 15 with regard to what was the mechanism used
- 16 for the outreach in the bidding process, the
- 17 subcontracting utilization, the impact on
- 18 the community or the involvement of the
- 19 community as far as local business
- 20 enterprises, things of that nature.
- I have asked and I do believe,
- 22 Presiding Officer, you do have the letter
- 23 that I've asked in terms of getting a
- 24 breakdown of utilization, if any, of service
- 25 disabled and veteran owned business. I'm

- 1 Rules Committee/10-5-16
- 2 still awaiting that.
- I have yet to receive the
- 4 breakdown in terms of the utilization of
- 5 minority and women in business enterprises
- 6 in Nassau County.
- I don't see why we continue to
- 8 have these issues in terms of getting this
- 9 type of issue because by the accounts with
- 10 this contract, the numbers are already low.
- 11 So you might as well put it out there and
- 12 own up to the fact that the job that is
- 13 being done with regard to diverse business
- 14 outreach basically stinks in Nassau County.
- So let's try to do something
- 16 about it before the smell gets even worse
- 17 because we need to fix this problem as soon
- 18 as possible.
- 19 So that's pretty much my issue as
- 20 it pertains to this because we are using
- 21 state and federal funding. I can't stress
- 22 this enough that we are consistently in
- 23 violation. I know folks are looking at
- 24 elections, and they want to talk about all
- 25 the things they are doing for their

- 1 Rules Committee/10-5-16
- 2 constituents. But we're not representing
- 3 our constituency.
- 4 When I continue to see the
- 5 Veterans Services Committee that has nothing
- 6 on their agenda, that also bothers me. And
- 7 people up there who representing these
- 8 various committees, and they're not asking
- 9 the questions for those constituencies, that
- 10 bothers me as well.
- 11 So I know you're going to do what
- 12 you're going to do and the number is going
- 13 to be the same, but at least there is one
- 14 voice in the wilderness, one rock upon the
- 15 pond that's at least trying to generate some
- 16 ripple of conversation to get some awareness
- 17 and get something straight here while I can
- 18 still do that. Thank you.
- 19 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Thank you,
- 20 Ms. Mereday. Minority Leader.
- 21 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: If I may.
- 22 Mr. Arnold is still here? Just a quick
- 23 question, Mr. Arnold.
- 24 So they're paying this contract
- 25 out in monthly installments. Is that tied

- 1 Rules Committee/10-5-16
- 2 to any level of completion of work?
- 3 MR. ARNOLD: I have to go back
- 4 and look at the contract. Sometimes they
- 5 have a certain duration to finish the work.
- 6 We have progress meetings with them, but
- 7 there may be no hard submittals as they go
- 8 through their monthly bills.
- 9 There is milestones on a
- 10 technical design report, on a certain final
- 11 design, but I don't think every monthly bill
- 12 is tied to a submittal. I would have to go
- 13 back and double check.
- 14 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: My greater
- 15 question is really tied to ensuring that in
- 16 the event we don't go six months into paying
- 17 monthly installments, and they default or
- 18 they are not able to complete the work and
- 19 we are facing a product that's ten percent,
- 20 20 percent complete, but we have already
- 21 paid out six months worth of installments,
- 22 I'm just concerned that the county is not
- 23 being protected to insure that the money
- 24 that they are being paid is tied to the
- 25 completion of work.

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- 2 MR. ARNOLD: The department
- 3 scrutinizes all submittals and all claims
- 4 and we double check their progress versus
- 5 what their percent payment they have
- 6 achieved for any particular job as we go
- 7 through.
- 8 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: But there
- 9 is nothing that we can do from the
- 10 department's standpoint to withhold payment
- 11 because it doesn't seem -- it's clearly tied
- 12 to work completed because it's required to
- 13 be paid on a monthly basis.
- 14 MR. ARNOLD: I have to go back
- and look at the particulars on the contract,
- 16 but I don't believe so. But the department
- 17 will not be pay if the firm has not achieved
- 18 what we believe is the progress that needs
- 19 to be done under that monthly payment.
- LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: Okay. All
- 21 right. Thank you.
- 22 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: There
- 23 being no other comments, all those in favor
- of E-224 signify by saying aye.
- 25 (Aye.)

- Rules Committee /10-5-161 2 Any opposed? 3 (Nay.) It passes four to three. 4 5 I believe, Mr. Arnold, the next three items E-225, E-226 and E-227 are all 6 personal services agreement involved with 7 8 the Department of Public Works. 9 I'm going to call the three of them together but you can speak on them 10 11 separately. On E-225, a personal services 12 agreement between the County of Nassau 13 14 acting on behalf of the Nassau County 15 Department of Public Works and Nassau County 16 Soil and Water Conservation District; 17 226, a personal services agreement between the County of Nassau and 18 on behalf of the County Department of Public 19 20 Works and Liro Engineers; 21 E-227, a personal services 22 agreement between the County of Nassau
- Motion, please.

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acting on behalf of the Department of Public

Works and DMV Engineers & Architects.

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- 2 LEGISLATOR DUNNE: So moved.
- 3 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Second.
- 4 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Moved by
- 5 Legislator Dunne, seconded by Legislator
- 6 Kopel. Mr. Schneider, I guess you're going
- 7 to speak on the first one.
- MR. SCHNEIDER: Correct. Brian
- 9 Schneider, Public Works. E-225-16 is an
- 10 this agreement tween the county and the
- 11 Nassau County Soil and Water Conservation
- 12 District.
- This is an ongoing yearly
- 14 agreement. Specifically the funding will
- 15 assist the Soil and Water Conservation
- 16 District in providing a local match for
- 17 state and federal grants that will improve
- 18 the soil and water related resources as well
- 19 as assisting the county with compliance
- 20 regarding the phase two storm water
- 21 regulation program.
- 22 As you know, a number of board
- 23 members appeared before the Full Leg a
- 24 couple of weeks ago, either to be appointed
- 25 or reappointed.

1	Rules Committee/10-5-16
2	At that meeting, you heard a
3	review of the mission of the Soil and Water
4	Conservation District. So if you have any
5	questions I would be able to answer some of
6	those.
7	This agreement is for \$85,000.
8	Again, it's a yearly agreement that we're
9	looking to get executed now.
10	CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Any
11	questions of Mr. Schneider?
12	(No verbal response.)
13	Is there any public comment?
14	(No verbal response.)
15	There being none, all those in
16	favor of E-225 signify by saying aye.
17	(Aye.)
18	Any opposed?
19	(No verbal response.)
20	That's unanimous.
21	E-226, who is here to speak on
22	that one? Mr. Arnold, it's yours.
23	MR. ARNOLD: Ken Arnold, Public
24	Works. E-226 is a contract amendment for
25	the department's on call civil site

- 1 Rules Committee/10-5-16
- 2 construction management contract. This
- 3 amendment is to increase the cap of the
- 4 contract by \$500,000.
- 5 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Mr. Arnold,
- 6 would you, just for those who are in the
- 7 chambers and on the dais, explain what an on
- 8 call contract is.
- 9 MR. ARNOLD: We pre-qualify firms
- 10 to assist the department in various areas of
- 11 expertise. This one is our construction
- 12 management of our roadway, drainage and
- 13 bridge work.
- 14 From the list of the on call
- 15 contractors, we put out mini bids that the
- 16 department evaluates and we select the most
- 17 qualified consultant and then most available
- 18 consultant for that particular project.
- 19 That money is encumbered through
- 20 the comptroller's office at that time. We
- 21 are looking to increase the cap which allows
- 22 us to assign additional work to the
- 23 consultant.
- 24 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Thank you
- 25 very much. Legislator DeRiggi-Whitton.

- 1 Rules Committee/10-5-16
- 2 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: I
- 3 have a quick question regarding the term of
- 4 the contracts. Are these dates correct, May
- 5 27, 2014 through May 26, 2016?
- 6 MR. ARNOLD: Is that off the
- 7 amendment or the original agreement? I
- 8 don't have it in front of me.
- 9 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: It's
- 10 off the amendment number two but it says the
- 11 terms of contract are May 27th, 2014 through
- 12 May 26, 2016. There are no other dates that
- 13 I see.
- 14 MR. ARNOLD: I would have to go
- 15 back and double-check. That's what the
- 16 amendment is for. That's what my engineers
- 17 indicated they needed. I would have to go
- 18 back because, as you mention, that's a past
- 19 date, so I would have to clarify.
- LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON:
- 21 Right. Already expired. Maybe we should
- 22 table it until we get the correct date.
- 23 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: I just
- 24 have one question regarding this contract.
- 25 Why is the contract before the Legislature

- 1 Rules Committee/10-5-16
- 2 at this time?
- 3 MR. ARNOLD: We require
- 4 additional cap space to assign work.
- 5 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: But
- 6 if the dates expired --
- 7 MR. ARNOLD: I would have to go
- 8 back to my computer and look at what the
- 9 date issue might be.
- 10 LEGISLATOR DUNNE: It says it's a
- 11 24 month contract.
- 12 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON:
- 13 Expires 2016.
- 14 MR. ARNOLD: I would have to see
- 15 if that's a typo. I don't have it in front
- 16 of me. You want to table, I can go look and
- 17 come back to this.
- 18 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Motion to
- 19 table?
- LEGISLATOR DUNNE: So moved.
- LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Second.
- 22 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Moved by
- 23 Legislator Dunne, seconded by Legislator
- 24 Kopel. All those in favor signify by saying
- 25 aye.

- 1 Rules Committee/10-5-16
- 2 (Aye.)
- 3 Any opposed?
- 4 (No verbal response.)
- 5 The item is tabled. It will give
- 6 Mr. Arnold a chance to go and check his
- 7 paperwork.
- 8 The next item, I guess, Ken, you
- 9 are going to speak on this as well, a
- 10 personal services agreement.
- 11 MR. ARNOLD: Yes. Item 227 is a
- 12 contract amendment to the design contract
- 13 associated with the storm water pumping
- 14 station at Bay Park. The contract requires
- 15 additional cap space.
- When we initially proposed the
- 17 project it was an engineer's estimate of
- 18 around \$13 million. The bids came in closer
- 19 to \$16 million and the designer is paid
- 20 based upon the percent of the construction
- 21 value. So in that case we needed to amend
- 22 their contract to add additional funds.
- 23 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Any
- 24 questions or comments for Mr. Arnold
- 25 regarding this contract?

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- 2 (No verbal response.)
- 4 Minority leader.
- 5 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: Thank you.
- 6 This is the same question I just want to put
- 7 on the record again that I had before. The
- 8 contract again has a monthly amount. This
- 9 contract goes out to December 31, 2018.
- 10 We are encumbering the entire
- 11 amount and the contract is to be paid out in
- 12 monthly installments.
- I just want to make sure for the
- 14 record that we are tying any progress in the
- 15 project and we are monitoring on a monthly
- 16 basis to insure that the county doesn't pay
- out on a monthly basis and somehow we lose
- 18 our eye on the fact of how much progress is
- 19 going to be done.
- In the event of a default, we are
- 21 left with monies that's been paid out and
- 22 not the work product that equals that money.
- I just want to make sure for the
- 24 record that the department will do that.
- MR. ARNOLD: That's correct.

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- 2 And, in this case, we owe the vendor the
- 3 money because he's already done the work and
- 4 the contract was bid and came in at a higher
- 5 number which is why we need the amendment to
- 6 make the consultant whole.
- 7 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: Thank you.
- 8 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Is there
- 9 any public comment regarding the item?
- 10 Ms. Mereday.
- MS. MEREDAY: Meta Mereday.
- 12 Again, my issue is, I'm still waiting to get
- 13 an answer, a nod, something with regard to
- 14 the lack of inclusion particularly when we
- 15 are talking about the millions of dollars
- 16 that have already been invested in Bay Park
- 17 and the fact that we have so many residents
- 18 particularly on the South Shore as we are
- 19 doling out millions and hundreds of
- 20 thousands of dollars and we're not taking
- 21 into consideration that we have a number of
- 22 residents who are now being charged with pay
- 23 back or charged back from FEMA for services
- 24 that were rendered on their homes that are
- 25 still not made whole.

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- So, to hear that there is a
- 3 contractor that already made millions of
- 4 dollars that may have extended his contract
- 5 or his contract period and he needs to be
- 6 made whole, does not concern me as much as
- 7 the residents who are still paying taxes in
- 8 Nassau County and cannot live in their
- 9 homes.
- 10 Were we're not doing anything
- 11 progressively or proactively with regard to
- 12 including service disabled, veteran owned
- 13 business, minority and women owned business
- 14 in these contracts and these projects that
- 15 are both state and federally funded.
- We're exposing ourselves to
- 17 lawsuits. Even though this body seems to
- 18 enjoy the fact of putting money out for
- 19 personal service contracts for attorneys to
- 20 add to the extensive number that we already
- 21 have in the County Attorney's Office, me, as
- 22 a taxpayer, I have a problem with watching
- 23 this situation continue to unfold and no one
- 24 is actively pursuing something of
- 25 significance to make a difference.

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2	A photo opportunity and a 30
3	minute veteran job fair when there are no
4	jobs and no benchmarks and no results is not
5	impressing me.
6	It clearly is not impressing all
7	of those who are leaving here literally in
8	the middle of the night and increasing the
9	number of zombie houses. But, oh yeah,
10	that's right, you have a land bank that
11	you're going to use that.
12	CLERK PULITZER: Your three
13	minutes have expired.
14	MS. MEREDAY: Not a problem. I
15	think the point was made. And you folks can
16	sit here and silence does breed consent, so
17	I'm just putting that out there too.
18	CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: There
19	being no other comments, all those in favor
20	of the E-227 signify by saying aye.
21	(Aye.)
22	Any opposed?
23	(Nay.)
24	The item passes four to three.

I'm going to ask for a motion to  $% \left\{ 1,2,\ldots ,n\right\} =0$ 

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- 2 untable A-20. I believe someone is here to
- 3 speak on this item; am I correct? Motion to
- 4 untable A-20.
- 5 LEGISLATOR DUNNE: So moved.
- 6 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Second.
- 7 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Moved by
- 8 Legislator Dunne, seconded by Legislator
- 9 Kopel. All those in favor of untabling
- 10 signify by saying aye.
- 11 (Aye.)
- 12 Any opposed?
- 13 (No verbal response.)
- The item is untabled.
- MR. BECKER: Thank you, Madam
- 16 Chair, thank you for your patience. Dan
- 17 Grippo is here to answer any questions on
- 18 A 20.
- 19 MR. GRIPPO: Good afternoon. Dan
- 20 Grippo from the County Attorney's Office.
- So my understanding of this item
- 22 when it was originally submitted there were
- 23 questions or at least a question regarding
- 24 the indemnity provisions of the contract.
- The vendor sought to change the

- 1 Rules Committee/10-5-16
- 2 provision to make it discretionary and, by
- 3 that I mean, the vendor giving itself an
- 4 option whether to defend the county,
- 5 indemnify and defend, our standard provision
- 6 makes defense and indemnification mandatory
- 7 not discretionary.
- 8 So, we had to change the original
- 9 submission which contained the language the
- 10 vendor may defend the county.
- 11 And, now, the amendment in the
- 12 nature of a substitution for this item has
- 13 an indemnity clause where it, B, the
- 14 indemnifying party shall indemnify and
- defend.
- So we've removed the
- 17 objectionable discretionary language and
- 18 substituted a mandatory provision.
- 19 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Legislator
- 20 DeRiggi-Whitton.
- 21 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: I
- 22 don't think we have a copy of that. When
- 23 did you make that change?
- 24 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: September
- 25 29; am I correct?

- 1 Rules Committee/10-5-16
- 2 MR. GRIPPO: Yes. It's time
- 3 stamped September 27th received Nassau Clerk
- 4 of the Legislature.
- 5 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: So it was.
- 6 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: This
- 7 is legal opinion, but it's saying that each
- 8 party shall be solely responsible. So they
- 9 are not indemnifying the county in any way?
- 10 MR. GRIPPO: So on the question
- 11 of the discretion versus the mandatory, the
- 12 shall is that part.
- The each party is, what this is
- 14 assist a reciprocal bad act indemnity, in
- other words, each party is responsible for
- 16 its own negligible acts or omissions and
- 17 agrees to defend and indemnify the other
- 18 party for damages arising from those acts or
- 19 omissions.
- So it's a reciprocal one, but
- 21 it's not discretionary. It's mandatory.
- 22 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: So
- 23 in your opinion, is the county being
- 24 protected by this contract?
- 25 MR. GRIPPO: Yes. Again, it's a

- 1 Rules Committee/10-5-16
- 2 reciprocal bad act indemnity.
- 3 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: There
- 4 being no other questions or comments, all
- 5 those in favor of A-20 signify by saying
- 6 aye.
- 7 (Aye.)
- 8 Any opposed?
- 9 (No verbal response.)
- The item passes four to three.
- 11 Mr. Arnold, are you ready for us
- 12 to untable your item? No. Okay. We will
- 13 continue.
- Next item is E-228, a personal
- 15 services agreement between the County of
- 16 Nassau acting on behalf of the Traffic
- 17 Safety Board and Dedicated Incorporated.
- Motion, please.
- 19 LEGISLATOR DUNNE: So moved.
- LEGISLATOR MUSCARELLA: Second.
- 21 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Moved by
- 22 Legislator Dunne, seconded by Legislator
- 23 Muscarella. Who is here to speak on this
- item? Mr. Becker, what do we have?
- MR. BECKER: He says he will be

- 1 Rules Committee/10-5-16
- 2 here in a few minutes.
- 3 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: So we have
- 4 to table it. Motion, please.
- 5 LEGISLATOR MUSCARELLA: So moved.
- 6 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Second.
- 7 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Moved by
- 8 Legislator Muscarella, seconded by
- 9 Legislator Kopel. All those in favor of
- 10 tabling E-228 signify by saying aye.
- 11 (Aye.)
- 12 Any opposed?
- 13 (No verbal response.)
- The item is tabled.
- E-229, a personal services
- 16 agreement between the County of Nassau
- 17 acting on behalf of the County Department of
- 18 Health and Nassau Health Care Corporation.
- 19 I believe the minority leader is
- 20 recusing himself, correct? Yes.
- 21 LEGISLATOR DUNNE: So moved.
- 22 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Second.
- 23 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Moved by
- 24 Legislator Dunne, seconded by Legislator
- 25 Kopel. Who do we have?

- 1 Rules Committee/10-5-16
- 2 MS. LORRAINE: MaryEllen
- 3 Lorraine, Department of Health.
- 4 E-229 is a contract with the
- 5 Nassau County Department of Health and the
- 6 Nassau Health Care Corporation for \$94,534.
- 7 This is to provide the WIC Program with peer
- 8 counseling for breast feeding. This is 100
- 9 percent grant funded and is a mandate of the
- 10 grant.
- 11 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Any
- 12 questions or comments?
- 13 (No verbal response.)
- 14 There being none, all those in
- 15 favor of E-229 signify by saying aye.
- 16 (Aye.)
- Any opposed?
- 18 (No verbal response.)
- The item passes six to zero.
- The next item is E-230, a
- 21 personal services agreement between the
- 22 County of Nassau acting on behalf of the
- 23 Department of Public Works Division of Real
- 24 Estate Services and ACC Real Estate
- 25 Services.

- 1 Rules Committee/10-5-16
- Now, I'm going to -- just one
- 3 moment please. There is an item that's not
- 4 a contract but it is related to the E-230
- 5 and I'm going to call that item as well.
- 6 The item I'm going to call in conjunction
- 7 with the item I just called which is Item
- 8 E-230 is Item 409.
- 9 I believe it's an ordinance
- 10 regarding the -- I'm trying to cut it down,
- 11 an offer of purchase from Namdar Realty
- 12 Group L.L.C. of certain premises located in
- 13 the Incorporated Village of Hempstead, Town
- 14 of Hempstead, County of Nassau, State of New
- 15 York, said property Town of Hempstead,
- 16 County of Nassau, State of New York, said
- 17 property known as section 34, block 333-02,
- 18 lot 2 on the land and tax map of the County
- 19 of Nassau and authorizing the County
- 20 Executive to execute a deed contract of sale
- 21 intermunicipal agreement for mortgage and
- 22 tax pay off and all pertinent documents in
- 23 connection therewith to consummate the sale
- 24 and vacating and cancelling all county held
- 25 tax liens and any and all tax obligations

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- 2 not yet ripe for lien status related to such
- 3 properties.
- I need a motion for E-230 and a
- 5 motion for 409 together.
- 6 LEGISLATOR DUNNE: So moved.
- 7 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Second.
- 8 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Moved by
- 9 Legislator Dunne, seconded by Legislator
- 10 Kopel. And now we have someone to talk
- 11 about the contract as well as the ordinance
- 12 related to it.
- MR. WALSH: Good afternoon,
- 14 legislators. Kevin Walsh from the Office of
- 15 Real Estate Services.
- 16 You actually have two separate
- 17 items here, really three agreements for
- 18 authorization and approval. A property
- 19 management contract, short term property
- 20 management contract for a building in
- 21 Hempstead, 100 Main Street. I'm sure many
- 22 of the legislators are familiar with it,
- 23 it's the commercial retail building across
- 24 the street from the district court.
- 25 The county acquired this property

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- 2 in December 2014 through a tax deed. Tax
- 3 redemption process was undertaken and action
- 4 acquired title.
- 5 We are requesting approval to
- 6 sell this property. We issued an RFP,
- 7 actually two RFPs in late 2014 and reviewed
- 8 them to 2015. We are looking for your
- 9 approval to sell this property to Namdar
- 10 Realty Group who was the responsible highest
- 11 proposer.
- 12 Also, I just want to point out
- 13 the property management contract was a six
- 14 month contract that we've extended and we've
- 15 extended it a final time to the end of the
- 16 year. We expect to close on this
- 17 transaction hopefully before the end of this
- 18 month if possible.
- 19 We have a buyer who is taking
- 20 title, subject to no conditions, all cash.
- 21 So we hope that this will close
- 22 expeditiously.
- 23 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: I can take
- 24 questions regarding the contract itself.
- 25 Anyone from the legislature who wishes to

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- 2 comment, E-230?
- 3 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: I
- 4 just want to make a point of reference. The
- 5 Legislature is receiving this contract now
- 6 when the original date expired over a year
- 7 ago; is that correct?
- 8 MR. WALSH: The original contract
- 9 was a six month contract. It went into
- 10 effect when we took title, we needed someone
- 11 to manage the building.
- 12 We retained through a
- 13 solicitation process the existing property
- 14 manager who has actually managed the
- building for approximately 20 years.
- 16 The property manager, when the
- 17 building was in receivership, there was a
- 18 mortgage foreclosure in 2006, we renewed it
- 19 for six months. We were hoping we were
- 20 going to get this process done sooner, and
- 21 then now we are finally at the finish line.
- The property manager actually
- 23 restructured its corporation so it took time
- 24 to get all the disclosures together but this
- 25 is a final six month. The reason it didn't

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- 2 come to the Legislature at the outset, it's
- 3 not a contract where the county expends any
- 4 money. It's a revenue contract. They get
- 5 paid from some of the revenues they collect.
- 6 But this contract will terminate upon
- 7 closing.
- 8 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: So
- 9 during the time the county does not pay
- money?
- 11 MR. WALSH: That's correct.
- 12 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: And
- 13 that's why the cost is -- okay. Thank you.
- MR. WALSH: Correct.
- 15 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Even
- 16 though Item 409 needs to go before the
- 17 Planning Commission, I think maybe you could
- 18 talk about it and just give us some insight
- 19 into what we are going to table 409,
- MR. WALSH: 409 actually we
- 21 submitted a little late. The Planning
- 22 Commission did approve it and issued a neg
- 23 dec. Actually we got the paperwork this
- 24 morning, but it was approved in August by
- 25 the Planning Commission with no conditions.

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- 2 It's a commercial building. The county
- 3 typically does not own buildings like this,
- 4 this is kind of unique because of the long
- 5 history of the building and it had not been
- 6 paying taxes for many years.
- 7 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Any other
- 8 questions or comments regarding E-230, the
- 9 contract itself?
- 10 (No verbal response.)
- 11 Is there any public comment
- 12 regarding the contract, E-230?
- 13 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: Madam
- 14 Presiding Officer, I just want to make sure
- 15 that the folks that are here today for this
- 16 contract, will they be coming back for item
- 17 409 when it's called in Planning?
- 18 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Yes.
- 19 They're not going away. It's going to go
- 20 through Planning.
- 21 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: Are we
- 22 going to do 409 as part of the Rules at this
- 23 point?
- 24 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: No. Can't
- 25 do that.

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2	CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: No. I
3	need to table that item because it really
4	has to go through committees first.
5	I'm going back to E-230. Any
6	other comments?
7	(No verbal response.)
8	There being none, all those in
9	favor of $E-230$ signify by saying aye.
10	(Aye.)
11	Any opposed?
12	(Nay.)
13	The item passes four to three.
14	Now, I'm going to make a fact
15	that I did call 409. I need a motion to
16	table 409.
17	LEGISLATOR DUNNE: So moved.
18	LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Second.
19	CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Moved by
20	Legislator Dunne, seconded by Legislator
21	Kopel. All those in favor of tabling 409
22	signify by saying aye.
23	(Aye.)
24	Any opposed?

(No verbal response.)

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- 2 That item is tabled until the
- 3 committees have an opportunity to address
- 4 the item.
- I don't know if I have any more
- 6 contracts. Am I finished with contracts?
- 7 MR. BECKER: Madam chair?
- 8 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Mr. Arnold
- 9 is ready so we need to untable Item 226. Is
- 10 that the one, Mr. Arnold?
- Motion to untable 226.
- 12 LEGISLATOR DUNNE: So moved.
- 13 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Second.
- 14 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Moved by
- 15 Legislator Dunne, seconded by Legislator
- 16 Kopel. All those in favor of untabling
- E-226 signify by saying aye.
- 18 (Aye.)
- 19 Any opposed?
- 20 (No verbal response.)
- Now Mr. Arnold.
- MR. BECKER: Madam Chair, as soon
- 23 as you are finished with Mr. Arnold we can
- 24 also take a look at and then untable E-217.
- 25 We have somebody to speak on that contract.

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- 2 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: I have to
- 3 see what you're talking about.
- 4 MR. BECKER: Mr. Arnold will
- 5 speak on the contract you just untabled, and
- 6 we also can untable E-217 after Mr. Arnold.
- 7 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Let
- 8 Mr. Arnold speak please.
- 9 MR. ARNOLD: Ken Arnold, Public
- 10 Works. Item E-226, the base contract is a
- 11 two year contract with a one year extension
- 12 at the commissioner's discretion which is
- 13 why we are looking to increase the cap at
- 14 this point. This contract will actually
- 15 expire in 2017 in May.
- 16 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Any
- 17 questions? Legislator DeRiggi-Whitton.
- 18 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: Can
- 19 you just clarify for the record then what
- 20 the terms of this contract that we're voting
- 21 on, what the dates are?
- MR. ARNOLD: If you go back to
- 23 the base contract, it's a two year contract,
- 24 but then the department is allowed to extend
- 25 it for one additional year which the

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- 2 department has done by letter. So the
- 3 contract will expire May of '17.
- 4 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: We
- 5 don't have that in writing. So you're just
- 6 talking about a contract that's going from
- 7 October 5th to May 17th or May 26th of 2017?
- MR. ARNOLD: Yes. The contract
- 9 was put in effect an additional year at the
- 10 department's discretion. So we wrote that
- 11 letter prior to the expiration in May of '16
- 12 to it will be extended till May of '17.
- 13 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: Well,
- 14 you don't have to come to the Leg to extend
- 15 it till May --
- 16 MR. ARNOLD: If it's in the
- 17 contract, it allows it to happen, we do not
- 18 have to come to the Leq.
- 19 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: So
- 20 you are coming here today for what?
- MR. ARNOLD: Additional cap
- 22 capacity. The contract has a good cap
- 23 capacity of a certain amount. Currently we
- 24 have assigned work to that amount so in
- 25 order for this firm to receive additional

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- 2 work to be available to compete with the
- 3 other firms, we have to increase that
- 4 capacity and the department is choosing to
- 5 increase it by a half a million dollars.
- 6 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: I have a
- 7 question. The term of the contract goes to
- 8 May of 2017?
- 9 MR. ARNOLD: Yes.
- 10 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: You don't
- 11 have to come back to us?
- MR. ARNOLD: After May of 2017 we
- 13 will have to have a new contract. If we
- 14 want to go past May of 2017 we have to amend
- 15 it for time.
- 16 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Thank you
- 17 very much, Mr. Arnold. Any other comments?
- 18 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: I
- 19 just want to say that -- should mention that
- 20 in the amendment that it was extended a
- 21 year. I have it here.
- 22 MR. ARNOLD: You're correct. We
- 23 should clarify it. I can see where your
- 24 question came from and we apologize.
- 25 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: No

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- 2 problem. Public comment?
- 3 MS. MEREDAY: Yes. Meta Mereday.
- 4 I definitely have serious issues with Liro
- 5 Engineers and clearly they are making lots
- 6 of money and the results again with the
- 7 South Shore residents have not been
- 8 favorable.
- 9 I really question how we are
- 10 continuing to just dole out money and I'm
- 11 still questioning where is the
- 12 accountability? Where are the results when
- 13 we have residents that are still having
- 14 problems? Even myself, with my home, have
- 15 had problems with Liro Engineers who came to
- 16 my home and said I didn't have any damage
- 17 related to the storm. I'm still trying to
- 18 figure that one out.
- I would hope that somewhere,
- 20 because it doesn't seem to be in the public
- 21 forum, so maybe behind the scenes, I'm
- 22 trying to remain hopeful that someone is
- 23 asking the questions and someone is drilling
- 24 down to get some kind of accountability and
- 25 results, some kind of benchmarking in terms

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- 2 of what is being done and what is the
- 3 satisfaction for the residents who are now
- 4 being charged to pay back money that they
- 5 don't have as we are doling out money for
- 6 more consultants to allegedly do the work to
- 7 make residents whole.
- 8 I can't stress enough that we are
- 9 being bled dry and, as we are looking at
- 10 that time budget, that is probably going to
- 11 include more increased fees for parking and
- 12 things of that nature, that I'm begging all
- of you sitting there that you look out for
- 14 the interests of the taxpayers.
- We're the ones that have to pay
- 16 for the increased fees for the parking and
- 17 getting into these various institutions on
- 18 the guise that our property taxes are not
- 19 going to be increased.
- 20 You're increasing everything else
- 21 but you're not benefiting us. And there
- 22 needs to be more accountability. We need to
- 23 actually look at what the money that we are
- 24 expending is actually being used for aside
- 25 from salaries and vacations and alliances

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- 2 and pancake breakfasts. We need to see what
- 3 the residents are doing.
- 4 I know quite a few residents that
- 5 have to dig deep to pay back \$50,000 here,
- 6 \$100,000 there, for the repairs on their
- 7 homes that still have not been done. Thank
- 8 you.
- 9 And, particularly with Liro, they
- 10 made enough money and there is no inclusion
- 11 process with them, and their diversity
- 12 initiatives are pitiful to say the least.
- 13 If there is no one over there to ask the
- 14 questions, then I will have to look for
- 15 other means to get my issues addressed as a
- 16 taxpayer, because my issues are not being
- 17 represented here. Thank you.
- 18 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: You're
- 19 welcome. There being no other comments, all
- 20 those in favor of E-226 signify by saying
- 21 aye.
- 22 (Aye.)
- 23 Any opposed?
- (No verbal response.)
- The item passes four to three.

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- I believe it was requested that
- 3 we untable 217; am I correct
- 4 MR. BECKER: That is correct. I
- 5 have Al Perez here to speak on it.
- 6 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: A motion
- 7 to untable E-217.
- 8 LEGISLATOR DUNNE: So moved.
- 9 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Second.
- 10 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Moved by
- 11 Legislator Dunne, seconded by Legislator
- 12 Kopel. All those in favor of untabling
- E-217 signify by saying aye.
- 14 (Aye.)
- 15 Any opposed?
- 16 (No verbal response.)
- 17 The item is untabled. Mr. Al
- 18 Perez.
- MR. PEREZ: Good afternoon. Al
- 20 Perez, Nassau County IT. What American
- 21 Communications Industry is a supplier of
- 22 parts, cabling, and they perform network
- 23 cabling in the IT space for Nassau County.
- 24 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Any
- 25 questions? Legislator DeRiggi-Whitton.

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- 2 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: I'll
- 3 go right to the main question. There is a
- 4 resume in the backup for a Mr. John Leasie.
- 5 Do you know if he is an employee of this
- 6 company?
- 7 MR. PEREZ: I don't know. I'm
- 8 sorry.
- 9 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: I've
- 10 been told he is an employee of Nassau
- 11 County. Do you know if he's an employee of
- 12 Nassau County?
- MR. PEREZ: I do not know. I can
- 14 get that information for you.
- 15 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON:
- 16 Should we table that, Norma? I would like
- 17 to make a motion.
- 18 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Have a
- 19 motion to table by Legislator
- 20 DeRiggi-Whitton. Second by --
- MR. PEREZ: I have just been
- informed he's not a county employee.
- 23 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Then we're
- 24 not going to table it.
- 25 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: Do

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- 2 we have any other type of contract with him
- 3 through the county, do you know?
- 4 MR. PEREZ: With this gentleman?
- 5 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: Yes.
- 6 MR. PEREZ: I'm not aware. I can
- 7 find out.
- 8 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: From
- 9 what I understand, he does some type of work
- 10 for the county. To what capacity, I might
- 11 not be 100 percent sure. But I understand
- 12 he's either a contractor -- if he's not an
- 13 employee, we weren't sure about that. But
- 14 if you say no, then he might be a contractor
- 15 for the county.
- MR. PEREZ: It appears that he
- 17 is. I will get you all that information
- 18 from the appropriate source. I personally
- 19 do not know.
- 20 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: Then
- 21 I will make the motion to table.
- 22 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Motion to
- 23 table E-217 by Legislator DeRiggi-Whitton.
- 24 LEGISLATOR SOLAGES: Second.
- 25 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Seconded

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2	by Legislator Solages. All those in favor
3	of tabling E-217 signify by saying aye.
4	(Aye.)
5	Any opposed?
6	(No verbal response.)
7	The item is tabled.
8	We now I believe have Traffic.
9	MR. BECKER: That's correct.
10	Chris Mistron is here to testify on that
11	item.
12	CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: We have
13	E-228; am I correct, I believe that it is.
14	It has to do with Traffic Safety Board. A
15	motion to untable 228.
16	LEGISLATOR DUNNE: So moved.
17	LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Second.
18	CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Moved by
19	Legislator Dunne, seconded by Legislator
20	Kopel. All those in favor of untabling
21	E-228 signify by saying aye.
22	(Aye.)
23	Any opposed?
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(No verbal response.)

The item is untabled.

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- 2 Mr. Mistron, nice to see you.
- 3 MR. MISTRON: Nice to be seen.
- 4 Currently the item before you is for an
- 5 organization called dedicated. In
- 6 conjunction with several other community
- 7 groups through the school education programs
- 8 for drinking and driving, as well as
- 9 community programs, and we are currently
- 10 also working on a project to highlight
- 11 locations where DWI crashes have occurred.
- 12 The president has dedicated March Lee who,
- 13 as many of you know, has been a professional
- 14 in the world of DWI enforcement and
- 15 education.
- 16 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Any
- 17 questions of Mr. Mistron? Legislator
- 18 DeRiggi-Whitton.
- 19 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: I'm
- 20 fully in support of this. But this goes
- 21 back to -- the contract term I have is
- 22 January 1st, 2016 through December 31st,
- 23 2016. Do you know come it's taken so long
- 24 to come before the leg?
- 25 MR. MISTRON: Well, actually it's

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- 2 going to be a problem, you are going to be
- 3 getting a lot of my contracts in the coming
- 4 weeks.
- 5 What happened was, we had some
- 6 delay in the funding and then it gets
- 7 approved by the state. Between the time --
- 8 while this money it comes straight from the
- 9 state for use in the programs.
- 10 So they have actually authorized
- 11 the use or the moving of this program, but
- 12 the state itself did not get me an
- 13 authorized contract until some time around
- 14 the end of June, July. And by the time we
- 15 got all the other paperwork in place, that
- 16 was the delay.
- 17 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: So
- 18 do you have everything in place to continue
- 19 on until 2017 or not yet?
- MR. MISTRON: Actually we just
- 21 submitted the 2017 plan and grant programs
- 22 which actually I've been told they will be
- 23 approved and we have to have actually 2017
- 24 in place prior, if not the first month of
- 25 2017.

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- 2 But this was just a year because
- 3 of transition with the way the grants
- 4 happened, provided by the state, there's
- 5 been a delay on everything.
- As I said, you will be witness of
- 7 that in the coming weeks as everything else
- 8 comes through. And it's 100 percent funded,
- 9 by the way.
- 10 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: I
- 11 know. I have no problem with the contract.
- 12 I know Howard Kopel keeps his eye on the
- 13 dates of contracts.
- 14 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: There
- 15 being no other questions or comments, no
- 16 public comment?
- 17 (No verbal response.)
- 18 All those in favor of E-228
- 19 signify by saying aye.
- 20 (Aye.)
- 21 Any opposed?
- (No verbal response.)
- The item passes unanimously.
- 24 Thank you, Mr. Mistron.
- Now I think I'm going to go to an

- 1 Rules Committee/10-5-16
- 2 item that was tabled previously and I'm
- 3 going to ask for a motion to untable E-161,
- 4 which is a personal services agreement
- 5 between the County of Nassau acting on
- 6 behalf of the Nassau County Department of
- 7 Public Works and Looks Great Services Inc.
- 8 Motion to untable, please.
- 9 LEGISLATOR DUNNE: So moved.
- 10 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Second.
- 11 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Moved by
- 12 Legislator Dunne, seconded by Legislator
- 13 Kopel. All those in favor of tabling E-161
- 14 signify by saying aye.
- 15 (Aye.)
- Any opposed?
- 17 (No verbal response.)
- The item is untabled.
- 19 MR. SCHNEIDER: Brian Schneider,
- 20 Public Works, and I have Dan Grippo with me
- 21 from the County Attorney's Office.
- 22 On July 27th, this item was
- 23 tabled. It was in a package of five other
- 24 debris removal contracts which were approved
- 25 that day. This was one that was tabled.

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- 2 Subsequent to that, there was
- 3 another debris removal contract that was
- 4 approved two weeks ago.
- 5 So there was a question from the
- 6 Legislature regarding some Department of
- 7 Labor issues. We reached out to the vendor
- 8 who supplied supplemental information and
- 9 their business history form and basically
- 10 the County Attorney will contest that all
- 11 the issues that were brought up have been
- 12 satisfactory resolved to our estimation and
- 13 we are recommending that the contract be
- 14 approved at this time.
- Given the pending weather that's
- 16 coming in, we would like to be fully staffed
- 17 with all the potential debris contractors in
- 18 place, given the fact that obviously there
- 19 is something coming up this weekend, and
- 20 also for the remainder of the hurricane
- 21 season which goes through November.
- 22 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Any
- 23 comments or questions from the legislators?
- 24 Minority leader, are you ready?
- 25 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: Mr.

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- 2 Schneider, just a question in regards to the
- 3 proposal that was sent out. What was the
- 4 proposal time frame of when it was sent out?
- 5 I'm just making sure -- my counsel advises
- 6 me that we were using an older proposal from
- 7 2013.
- 8 MR. SCHNEIDER: When it was sent
- 9 out? Can I just grab the staff summary?
- 10 Mr. Greg Weir is going back to grab the
- 11 staff summary which I lent him for making
- 12 copies. But the staff summary in your
- 13 packages indicates that it was bid in 2013.
- 14 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: Yes, late
- 15 2012, early 2013.
- 16 MR. SCHNEIDER: Correct. And I
- 17 think, as I testified in the July 25th
- 18 session, that there was a period of time
- 19 when we were reaching out to the Department
- 20 of Labor for a classification of what this
- 21 type of work would be classified as.
- That was one of the reasons why
- 23 there were so many issues that were brought
- 24 up during the debris removal during Super
- 25 Storm Sandy.

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- 2 We did have some conflicting
- 3 information from the Department of Labor
- 4 that it was not going to be classified as a
- 5 public work type of construction, or type
- 6 work, and we needed to have a clear
- 7 delineation of what the type of work was
- 8 going to be classified as by the Department
- 9 of Labor.
- 10 So that is basically the reason
- 11 why this RFP was issued in 2013 and we did
- 12 not come to the Legislature until 2016 to
- 13 get these debris removal contracts passed.
- 14 They were actually filed in 2015 but they
- 15 were never called.
- 16 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: My next
- 17 question is tied to obviously the prevailing
- 18 wage issues that have come up regarding
- 19 Looks Great. The department is comfortable
- 20 with pursuing a contract with Looks Great,
- 21 keeping that in mind?
- 22 MR. SCHNEIDER: Absolutely. The
- issues that were brought up through the
- 24 entities that were brought their claims
- 25 against Looks Great actually have existing

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- 2 contracts with Looks Great.
- 3 So those matters were settled.
- 4 They are actively working with that
- 5 contractor right now.
- 6 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: But they
- 7 paid fines, I believe, right?
- MR. SCHNEIDER: Correct.
- 9 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: Last, but
- 10 not least, obviously we were receiving
- 11 millions in FEMA reimbursement that were
- 12 tied to the work that Looks Great has
- 13 provided. Have we received what we were
- 14 entitled to in regards to that reimbursement
- 15 of that cleanup work.
- 16 MR. SCHNEIDER: For the most
- 17 part, yes, there are several of the project
- 18 worksheets, the PWs, that are still going
- 19 through closeout right now. We can provide
- 20 an updated spreadsheet of the payouts from
- 21 FEMA regarding those efforts.
- 22 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: This is
- 23 work for four years.
- 24 MR. SCHNEIDER: It doesn't
- 25 matter.

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- 2 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: How much is
- 3 outstanding?
- 4 MR. SCHNEIDER: I don't have that
- 5 information in front of me but I can
- 6 certainly have that by the end the day.
- 7 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: If you can
- 8 send it to me or send it to our staff, Cecil
- 9 Kapers, Peter Klein, and Michelle Darcy, I
- 10 would appreciate it.
- MR. SCHNEIDER: Sure.
- 12 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Any public
- 13 comment regarding E-161? Ms. Mereday.
- 14 MS. MEREDAY: Again, the
- 15 utilization format, what is the percentage
- 16 of service disabled veterans, veteran owned
- 17 businesses, minority owned businesses with
- 18 regard to this contract, what are the
- 19 contracting goals, have them been achieved?
- 20 Does anybody care about even initiating it,
- 21 et cetera, et cetera?
- 22 Some day I hope to get an answer
- 23 to the question because I did pose it in
- 24 writing as I was requested to do and I have
- 25 not received a response in writing, via

- 1 Rules Committee/10-5-16
- 2 phone call, smokescreen, email, nothing.
- 3 So, I'm just asking again, with
- 4 regard to getting a breakdown, as far as
- 5 these multi million dollar contracts that we
- 6 are giving out, that we want to make sure we
- 7 get our federal funding back, but we can't
- 8 seem to follow the law in terms of the
- 9 inclusion of people of color or diverse
- 10 backgrounds in these opportunities.
- 11 So I may be the single voice in
- 12 the wilderness, but I'm going to keep on
- 13 speaking it until somebody out there hears
- 14 it besides the attorney general. But if
- 15 they're the only ones that are going to
- 16 listen. Yes, ma'am. Is someone going to
- 17 give me an answer? I don't want to keep
- 18 doing the, you know, your three minutes have
- 19 expired, and then I'm done.
- 20 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Somebody
- 21 is going to give you an answer,
- MS. MEREDAY: Thank you.
- CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: E-161, all
- 24 those in favor of E-161, signify by saying
- 25 aye.

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                (Aye.)
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                Any opposed?
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                (Nay.)
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                The item passes four to three.
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                That ends the contract portion of
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    the Rules Committee. We will recess.
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    next committee up is Planning.
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                (Whereupon, the Rules Committee
    recessed at 2:26 p.m. and reconvened at 5:50
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    p.m.)
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                CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES:
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    committee is now back in session, please.
    Everyone who is on Rules, please take a
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    seat.
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                As is customary, we put forth the
    consent items on the Rules Committee where
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    both the minority and the majority have
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    agreed, and I several items, and, again, I'm
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    going to say this once, we're going to
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    incorporate the testimony by reference to
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    committees. I don't want to do it wrong.
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                I'm going to call the first item,
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    which is consent 391-16, 406-16, 407, 408,
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and 411.

1	Rules Committee/10-5-16
2	I believe those are the only
3	consent items on the regular agenda. I
4	already told the clerk that we would
5	incorporate the testimony by reference.
6	(Whereupon, please refer to the
7	minutes of the Public Works Committee and
8	Finance Committee dated 10-5-16 pertaining
9	to Clerk Items 391-16, 406-16, 407, 408, and
10	411.)
11	Motion to put forth these items.
12	LEGISLATOR KOPEL: So moved.
13	LEGISLATOR DUNNE: Second.
14	CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Moved by
15	Legislator Kopel, seconded by Legislator
16	Dunne. Again the testimony has been
17	incorporated by reference from the
18	committees. All those in favor of the items
19	that were called, signify by saying aye.
20	(Aye.)
21	Any opposed?
22	(No verbal response.)
23	Those items pass unanimously.
24	I need a motion to suspend the

25 rules because we have two addendums,

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Rules Committee/10-5-16
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    Addendum 1 and Addendum 2.
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                A motion, please.
                LEGISLATOR DUNNE: So moved.
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                LEGISLATOR MUSCARELLA: Second.
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                CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Moved by
    Legislator Dunne, seconded by Legislator
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    Muscarella. Any questions or comments
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    regarding suspending the rules?
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                (No verbal response.)
                There being none, all those in
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    favor of suspending the rules signify by
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    saying aye.
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                (Aye.)
15
                Any opposed?
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                (No verbal response.)
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                The rules are suspended.
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                On the addendum there is one
    consent item. I believe that's the only one
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    on the addendum. That's Item 303-16.
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                Again, the testimony incorporated
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    by reference of the committees.
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                (Whereupon, please refer to the
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    minutes of the Finance Committee dated
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10-5-16 pertaining to Clerk Item 303-16.)

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1	Rules Committee/10-5-16
2	CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: That's the
3	resolution regarding Jonathan Warton, a case
4	against the County of Nassau.
5	A motion, please.
6	LEGISLATOR DUNNE: So moved.
7	LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Second.
8	CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Moved by
9	Legislator Dunne, seconded by Legislator
10	Kopel. I believe all questions were
11	answered. I don't know if there's any
12	additional questions, but I think that it's
13	a consent item.
14	So all those in favor of 303,
15	signify by saying aye.
16	(Aye.)
17	Any opposed?

- 18 (No verbal response.)
- 19 The item passes unanimously.
- 20 Now, going back to the items that
- 21 were not part of the consent agenda and
- 22 we're going to begin with, I think I'm going
- to try to, where possible, to combine some 23
- of the items. 24
- 25 I'm going to block several of the

- 1 Rules Committee /10-5-162 items and they were also heard in Finance. 3 It's item 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398. Motion, please. 4 5 LEGISLATOR DUNNE: So moved. 6 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Second. 7 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Moved by 8 Legislator Dunne, seconded by Legislator 9 Kopel. CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Are there 10 11 any other comments or questions from the 12 legislators on these items? 13 (No verbal response.) 14 Is there any public comment? 15 (No verbal response.)
- There being none, all those in
- 17 favor of each of these items called signify
- 18 by saying aye.
- 19 (Aye.)
- 20 Any opposed?
- 21 (Nay.)
- So we have four three. Thank you
- very much.
- 24 We have three other items that we
- 25 can call together. They are Item 388, heard

- Rules Committee/10-5-16 1 2 in finance; again, that testimony is 3 incorporated by reference to the committee which is an ordinance; 389 ordinance also 4 5 heard in finance; and 390, a resolution which is also heard in Finance. 6 7 (Whereupon, please refer to the minutes of the Finance Committee dated 8 9 10-5-16 pertaining to Clerk Items 388, 389, 390 - 16.10 11 Motion, please. 12 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: So moved. 13 LEGISLATOR DUNNE: Second. 14 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Moved by 15 Legislator Kopel, seconded by Legislator
- 18 (No verbal response.)
- 19 Is there any public comment?
- 20 (No verbal response.)
- 21 There being none, all those in
- 22 favor of 388, 389, and 390 signify by saying

Dunne. Any questions, comments regarding

23 aye.

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24 (Aye.)

those items?

25 Any opposed?

1	Rules Committee/10-5-16
2	(Nay.)
3	The items pass four to three.
4	We're going to Item 399, a
5	resolution to accept a gift of a fast track
6	program valued at \$36,411 to the Nassau
7	County Department of Information Technology
8	from Microsoft, Inc.
9	Motion, please.
10	LEGISLATOR DUNNE: So moved.
11	LEGISLATOR MUSCARELLA: Second.
12	CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Moved by
13	Legislator Dunne, seconded by Legislator
14	Muscarella. Any questions, comments
15	regarding this item?
16	(No verbal response.)
17	Is there any public comment?
18	(No verbal response.)
19	There being none, all those in
20	favor of 399 signify by saying aye.
21	(Aye.)
22	Any opposed?
23	(No verbal response.)
24	Item passes unanimously.
25	The next item is 409, which was

- 1 Rules Committee/10-5-16
- 2 heard in Planning as well as Finance, an
- 3 ordinance.
- 4 Motion, please.
- 5 LEGISLATOR DUNNE: So moved.
- 6 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Second.
- 7 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Moved by
- 8 Legislator Dunne, seconded by Legislator
- 9 Kopel. Any questions, comments regarding
- 10 409?
- 11 (No verbal response.)
- 12 Is there any public comment?
- 13 (No verbal response.)
- 14 There being none, all those in
- 15 favor of 409 signify by saying aye.
- My apologize, before we take a
- 17 motion of 409, I need a motion to untable
- 18 it.
- 19 LEGISLATOR DUNNE: So moved.
- LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Second.
- 21 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Moved by
- 22 Legislator Dunne, seconded by Legislator
- 23 Kopel. All those in favor of untabling 409
- 24 signify by saying aye.
- 25 (Aye.)

Rules Committee/10-5-16 1 2 Any opposed? 3 (No verbal response.) The item is untabled unanimously. 4 5 Now, for the item again, 409, a motion was 6 made by I believe Legislator Kopel and was seconded by Legislator Dunne, correct? 7 8 Any questions or comments 9 regarding 409? 10 (No verbal response.) 11 There being none, all those in 12 favor of 409 signify by saying aye. 13 (Aye.) 14 Any opposed? 15 (No verbal response.) It's unanimous. 16 Let's move on. We have to go to 17 the addendums and see what we have on the 18 19 addendums. On the addendums, we have a number of bond ordinances. 20 21 I believe we probably can bulk 22 them all. Beginning with Item 413, these 23 are all ordinances requiring a bond for 24 capital expenditures.

I'll begin with 413, 414, 417,

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- 1 Rules Committee/10-5-16
- 2 419, 420, 422, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 435,
- 3 446, 456, 484, 485, 488, 502.
- 4 Motion, please.
- 5 LEGISLATOR DUNNE: So moved.
- 6 LEGISLATOR MUSCARELLA: Second.
- 7 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Moved by
- 8 Legislator Dunne, seconded by Legislator
- 9 Muscarella. Are there any other comments or
- 10 questions regarding those items?
- 11 (No verbal response.)
- 12 Again, we incorporate by
- 13 reference the testimony of the committees.
- 14 (Whereupon, please refer to the
- 15 minutes of the Finance Committee dated
- 16 10-5-16 pertaining to Clerk Items 413, 414,
- 17 417, 419, 420, 422, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432,
- 18 435, 446, 456, 484, 485, 488, 502.)
- 19 Is there any public comment?
- 20 (No verbal response.)
- 21 There being none, all those in
- 22 favor of the items just called signify by
- 23 saying aye.
- 24 (Aye.)
- 25 Any opposed?

Rules Committee/10-5-16 1 2 (Nay.) 3 The items pass four to three. The items that were called was four to 4 5 three. 6 499 is a resolution to accept a 7 gift offered by a donor to the Nassau County 8 Veterans Services Agency. 9 Motion, please. 10 LEGISLATOR DUNNE: So moved. 11 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Second. 12 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Moved by 13 Legislator Dunne, seconded by Legislator Kopel. Any questions, comments regarding 14 this item? 15 16 (No verbal response.) 17 Is there any public comment? 18 (No verbal response.) 19 There being none, all those in 20 favor of 499 signify by saying aye. 21 (Aye.) 22 Any opposed? 23 (No verbal response.) 24 Again, it's unanimous. I think

that is it. Am I right? Motion to adjourn

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2	the Rules Committee.
3	Motion, please.
4	LEGISLATOR DUNNE: So moved.
5	LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Second.
6	CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Moved by
7	Legislator Dunne, seconded by Legislator
8	Kopel. All those in favor of adjourning the
9	Rules Committee signify by saying aye.
10	(Aye.)
11	Any opposed?
12	(No verbal response.)
13	We stand adjourned.
14	(Whereupon, the Rules Committee
15	adjourned at 6:08 p.m.)
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