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July 2, 2026

To: Honorable Members of the Board of Legislators

This shall serve as notice that the Regular Session of the Jefferson County Board of Legislators for the month of July will be convened on **Tuesday, July 7, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.** in the Board of Legislators Chambers, Historic Courthouse, 195 Arsenal Street, Watertown, NY.

This is also a reminder that the **Revolutionary War Memorial Monument unveiling** will take place before the Session at **5:00 p.m. at the Jefferson County Office Building** with refreshments to follow at the Paddock Arcade. I sincerely appreciate all the time and effort from everyone who has contributed to make this monument a reality.

If you need additional information relative to any of the Board Session agenda items, please feel free to give me a call.

The agenda for the Session is as follows:

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

PUBLIC HEARINGS **Local Law Intro No. 1 of 2026** - A Local Law Requiring Building Permits for all Commercial Renewable Energy Conversion Systems

Tentative 2026-2027 Jefferson Community College Budget

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

READING OF MINUTES OF LAST SESSION, IF REQUESTED

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Report of the Finance & Rules Committee on Financial Resolutions

REPORTS OF COUNTY OFFICERS AND OTHERS

Report of the County Treasurer on Investments and Cash in Banks
Report of the County Administrator on Budget Transfers

LOCAL LAWS, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS

1. Local Law Intro No. 1 of 2026 A Local Law Requiring Building Permits for all Commercial Renewable Energy Conversion Systems (remove from table and adopt)
2. Resolution No. 195 Payment of Legislators Expenses
3. Resolution No. 196 Authorizing the Vacating of Judgment of Foreclosure for Owners of Certain Parcels of Real Property and Discontinuance of Foreclosure Proceeding
4. Resolution No. 197 Authorizing an Agreement for a Pilot Program with Clear Ballot Group for Board of Elections
5. Resolution No. 198 Adopting the 2026-2027 Jefferson Community College Budget and Appropriating Funds for Jefferson Community College Fiscal Year 2026-2027
6. Resolution No. 199 Appointing Public Defender
7. Resolution No. 200 Authorizing an Agreement with Savi Solutions PBC for Student Loan Guidance and Employment Verification Services
8. Resolution No. 201 Amending the 2026 County Budget Relative to Probation Department Personnel
9. Resolution No. 202 Authorizing an Agreement with Trinity Services Group, Inc. for Food Service Management Operations at the Jefferson County Correctional Facility, Abolishing Positions and Amending the 2026 County Budget
10. Resolution No. 203 Amending Fee Schedule in Relation to the Jefferson County Rules and Regulations for Administration and Enforcement of the Uniform Code and Adoption of Local Law No. 2 of 2026 Providing for Permitting of Commercial Renewable Energy Conversion Systems
11. Resolution No. 204 Adopting Revised General Municipal Law 239-M Referral Exemption Framework and Authorizing Agreements in Relation Thereto
12. Resolution No. 205 Authorizing a Grant Application with the New York State Department of State for a Brownfield Opportunity Area Program Pre-Planning Grant

13. Resolution No. 206 Authorizing a Grant Application with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation for the 2026 Jefferson County Natural Resources Inventory
14. Resolution No. 207
(Roll Call Vote) Authorizing an Agreement and Amending the 2026 County Budget and Capital Plan in Relation to Site Paving at the Recycling and Waste Management Facility
15. Resolution No. 208
(Roll Call Vote) Authorizing an Agreement with the New York Division of Criminal Justice Services Gun Involved Violence Elimination (GIVE) Grant 2025-2026 Relative to the Sheriff's Office and Amending the 2026 County Budget in Relation Thereto
16. Resolution No. 209
(Roll Call Vote) Reappropriating Funds in Relation to the FY 2024 Operation Stonegarden Grant Relative to the Sheriff's Office and Amending the 2026 County Budget in Relation Thereto
17. Resolution No. 210 Accepting Funding and Authorizing an Agreement in Connection with Public Health Emergency Preparedness Program
18. Resolution No. 211
(Roll Call Vote) Accepting Stipend from the Fort Drum Regional Health Planning Organization and Amending the 2026 County Budget in Relation Thereto
19. Resolution No. 212 Amending the 2026 County Budget Relative to Public Health Personnel Accounts
20. Resolution No. 213 Amending 2025/26 Comprehensive Planning Resource Allocation Agreement with the NYS Office of Children & Family Services, Authorizing Amended Contractual Youth Program Agreements and Amending the 2026 County Budget in Relation Thereto

Sincerely,



Ryan Piche
Clerk of the Board

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JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF LEGISLATORS
Resolution No. 195

Payment of Legislators' Expenses

By Legislator: Daniel R. McBride

Whereas, The Finance & Rules Committee is responsible for examining and auditing claims made by members of the Board, and

Whereas, Claims in the amount of \$268.98 have been audited and deemed allowable.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the County Treasurer be and is hereby directed to draw checks payable to the claimants as audited.

Seconded by Legislator: Steel E. Potter

State of New York)
) ss.:
County of Jefferson)

I, the undersigned, Clerk of the Board of Legislators of the County of Jefferson, New York, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing copy of Resolution No. 195 of the Board of Legislators of said County of Jefferson with the original thereof on file in my office and duly adopted by said Board at a meeting of said Board on the 7th day of July, 2026 and that the same is a true and correct copy of such Resolution and the whole thereof.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said County this _____ day of _____, 20 ____.

Clerk of the Board of Legislators

JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF LEGISLATORS
Resolution No. 196

Authorizing the Vacating of Judgment of Foreclosure for Owners of Certain
Parcels of Real Property and Discontinuance of Foreclosure Proceeding.

By Legislator: Steel E. Potter

Whereas, Pursuant to Section 1.6 of the Administrative Regulations for the Sale of Real Property Acquired by the County Pursuant to Real Property Tax Foreclosure Proceedings, certain owners of foreclosed properties have tendered offers to re-purchase the County's right of foreclosure obtained in certain Tax Foreclosure proceedings, by depositing in trust with the County funds in an amount equal to all the tax, penalties, and interest, together with the County's established administrative fee, and

Whereas, The said owners and the amounts deposited are set forth in Exhibit A which is hereby incorporated herein, and made a part hereof.

Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved, that Pursuant to Section 1.6 of the Administrative Regulations for the Sale of Real Property acquired by the County Pursuant to Real Property Tax Foreclosure Proceedings, the Board of Legislators does hereby approve of the re-purchase of the County's right of foreclosure to those individuals set forth in Exhibit A, in considerations of the amounts paid by such individuals as shown on said Exhibit, and be it further

Resolved, That the County Attorney is hereby authorized to file with the Court a motion seeking an Order to vacate the Judgment of Foreclosure, discontinuing the *in rem* tax foreclosure action and cancelling the Notice of Pendency of such action in regard to the respective parcel(s) of property.

Seconded by Legislator: Robert D. Ferris

State of New York)
) ss.:
County of Jefferson)

I, the undersigned, Clerk of the Board of Legislators of the County of Jefferson, New York, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing copy of Resolution No. 196 of the Board of Legislators of said County of Jefferson with the original thereof on file in my office and duly adopted by said Board at a meeting of said Board on the 7th day of July, 2026 and that the same is a true and correct copy of such Resolution and the whole thereof.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said County this _____ day of _____, 20 ____.

Clerk of the Board of Legislators

EXHIBIT A**Jefferson County Delinquent Tax Buybacks - As of 06/03/26**

<u>TOWN</u>	<u>PARCEL #</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>TAXES PAID</u>
Adams	99.13-2-17	Justin Whiting	\$ 8,740.60
Alexandria	7.22-1-19.2	James & Stanley Parker & Estate of Antoinette Parker	\$ 23,226.07
Alexandria	15.13-1-49	Patricia & Eric Gates	\$ 9,741.16
Alexandria	15.13-1-60.82	Patricia & Eric Gates	\$ 235.41
Alexandria	15.13-1-60.81	Patricia & Eric Gates	\$ 235.41
Alexandria	15.13-1-50.1	Eric R. Gates	\$ 4,605.10
Alexandria	7.29-1-18	Estate of Clarence Thomson	\$ 37,214.42
Alexandria	7.29-2-38.2	Estate of Clarence Thomson	\$ 20,112.90
Alexandria	7.29-1-19	Captain Thomson Realty Corp	\$ 61,580.12
Antwerp	36.48-1-6	Margaret Getman & Katelynn Weaver	\$ 1,826.21
Antwerp	35.00-1-11.4	Roxanne M. Hill	\$ 5,830.83
Brownville	80.00-1-33.2	Robert W. and Suzanne Rowe	\$ 7,648.07
Brownville	62.00-1-18.1	Rizwana Liaquat	\$ 27,245.02
Cape Vincent	40.09-1-12	Bobenhausen Irrevocable Trust	\$ 9,261.37
Cape Vincent	59.11-1-25.21	Valerie Waite	\$ 11,073.65
Cape Vincent	50.00-1-73	Estates of Karl & Grace VanVoorhis	\$ 7,418.44
Champion	86.48-2-4	North Star Rentals NNY LLC	\$ 8,102.68
Champion	76.00-2-9.9	Susanne M. Valliere	\$ 2,107.41
Champion	76.07-1-22.2	MFC Properties LLC	\$ 16,454.42
Champion	76.06-1-25	Jaymes Willoughby	\$ 19,140.34
Clayton	20.46-1-19	Eric Wood	\$ 57,032.13
Clayton	20.46-1-19.-201	Eric Wood	\$ 5,512.56
Henderson	105.19-3-5	Mary Anne M. Aubin	\$ 3,981.89
Hounsfield	89.00-2-50	Timothy J. Browne	\$ 4,649.32
Leray	83.08-1-56.7	Robert N. & Erin L. Decker	\$ 36,220.59
Leray	44.00-3-30.3	Brooks and Dale Timmerman	\$ 3,125.08
Leray	64.20-1-30	Toped Management Serv. Inc	\$ 6,519.57
Leray	64.11-1-15.41	Connie Corey	\$ 10,994.43
Lorraine	119.08-1-48	Fortune Global Monopoly LLC	\$ 6,666.26

Orleans	53.10-1-7	William J. Traynor	\$ 6,793.67
Orleans	12.12-1-1.-0016	Ryan T. and Justin A. Wild	\$ 2,990.74
Orleans	12.12-1-1.-5577	Ryan T. and Justin A. Wild	\$ 21,630.26
Orleans	13.06-1-30.21	Philip J. Simao	\$ 69,817.94
Orleans	13.06-1-30.23	Route 57 Development LLC	\$ 31,647.55
Orleans	32.00-2-10	Ann R. Dibble	\$ 16,187.71
Orleans	32.00-2-12	Ann R. Dibble	\$ 1,788.48
Rodman	100.00-1-24.1	Michael & Desiree Pierce	\$ 3,033.04
Theresa	9.19-1-28	Sean L. Regan	\$ 102.87
Theresa	45.11-1-1	Town of Theresa/Brian Palmer	\$ 923.57
Theresa	34.11-1-31	William F. Murphy II	\$ 1,986.72
Watertown	91.05-1-9.32	Aujla Associates LLC	\$ 8,316.72
Watertown	82.08-1-2	Onondaga Development	\$ 28,810.51
Watertown	82.08-1-13	Route 57 Development LLC	\$ 12,270.79
Watertown	82.08-1-17	Toped Management Serv. Inc	\$ 18,653.39
Watertown	82.11-1-37	Philip J. Simao	\$ 20,506.31
Watertown	82.11-1-35.223	Thirty One Development LLC	\$ 22,844.37
Watertown	82.11-1-36	Thirty One Development LLC	\$ 19,559.08
Watertown	82.11-1-79	Thirty One Development LLC	\$ 20,657.35
Watertown	90.19-1-13	Thomas Berry	\$ 1,598.90
Wilna	68.00-1-52	Douglas O. & Ogden Fitzsimons	\$ 5,584.76
Wilna	86.41-2-50	William and Susanne Valliere	\$ 17,803.68
Wilna	86.41-4-23	United Dev Group of NNY LLC	\$ 15,409.51
		TOTAL	\$ 765,419.38

JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF LEGISLATORS
Resolution No. 197

Authorizing an Agreement for a Pilot Program with Clear Ballot Group for Board of Elections

By Legislator: Steel E. Potter

Whereas, By Resolution 46 of 2024, Jefferson County authorized an agreement with Clear Ballot Group for the provision of voting machines and support services for the period of January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2028, and

Whereas, Clear Ballot Group has developed a localized ballot on-demand technology solution that enables the immediate printing of customized ballots at early voting or poll site locations based on real-time voter turnout and specific precinct requirements, and

Whereas, Implementing a pilot program for this technology will modernize the supply chain of election materials, streamline poll site operations, and evaluate long-term financial efficiencies for Jefferson County taxpayers, and

Whereas, Clear Ballot Group has offered to provide the software, equipment configuration, and associated support services for this localized pilot deployment at no cost to Jefferson County, and

Whereas, The Jefferson County Election Commissioners and departmental staff have thoroughly reviewed the operational parameters, safety protocols, and technical specifications of the program and recommend its approval to enhance service delivery.

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved, That the Chairman of the Board of Legislators is hereby authorized to execute an agreement with Clear Ballot Group for a Ballot On-Demand Pilot Program and associated support services for the period March 1, 2026 through July 1, 2026, at no cost to Jefferson County, subject to the approval of the County Attorney as to form and content.

Seconded by Legislator: Robert W. Cantwell, III

State of New York)
County of Jefferson) ss.:

I, the undersigned, Clerk of the Board of Legislators of the County of Jefferson, New York, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing copy of Resolution No. 197 of the Board of Legislators of said County of Jefferson with the original thereof on file in my office and duly adopted by said Board at a meeting of said Board on the 7th day of July, 2026 and that the same is a true and correct copy of such Resolution and the whole thereof.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said County this _____ day of _____, 20 ____.

Clerk of the Board of Legislators

JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF LEGISLATORS
Resolution No. 198

Adopting the 2026-2027 Jefferson Community College Budget and Appropriating Funds for
Jefferson Community College Fiscal Year 2026-2027

By Legislator: Steel E. Potter

Whereas, Pursuant to Section 357 of the County Law, the Finance and Rules Committee of this Board has reviewed the requested 2026-2027 Jefferson Community College Budget.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That pursuant to Section 360 of the County Law, said Budget be and is hereby adopted as the Budget of Jefferson Community College for College Fiscal Year 2026-2027, and be it further

Resolved, In accordance with the 2026-2027 Jefferson Community College Budget, the County of Jefferson will provide a Sponsor Contribution in the amount of \$5,809,870 and thereby approving a total operating expenditure for the JCC Budget of \$28,987,872, and be it further

Resolved, That pursuant to Section 360 of County Law, the several amounts specified in such budget are hereby appropriated for the objects and purposes specified, and be it further

Resolved, That this resolution shall take effect September 1, 2026.

Seconded by Legislator: Robert D. Ferris

State of New York)
) ss.:
County of Jefferson)

I, the undersigned, Clerk of the Board of Legislators of the County of Jefferson, New York, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing copy of Resolution No. 198 of the Board of Legislators of said County of Jefferson with the original thereof on file in my office and duly adopted by said Board at a meeting of said Board on the 7th day of July, 2026 and that the same is a true and correct copy of such Resolution and the whole thereof.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said County this _____ day of _____, 20 ____.

Clerk of the Board of Legislators

JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF LEGISLATORS
Resolution No. 199

Appointing Public Defender

By Legislator: Robert W. Cantwell, III

Resolved, That, Pursuant to Local Law No. 4 of 1987 and Section 716 of County Law, Laurel McCarthy be and is hereby appointed as Public Defender for a term to commence on July 6, 2026 and expire on December 31, 2026, at an annual salary of \$157,542, (Grade 1, Rate) of the Attorney Management Compensation Schedule.

Seconded by Legislator: Daniel R. McBride

State of New York)
)ss.:
County of Jefferson)

I, the undersigned, Clerk of the Board of Legislators of the County of Jefferson, New York, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing copy of Resolution No. 199 of the Board of Legislators of said County of Jefferson with the original thereof on file in my office and duly adopted by said Board at a meeting of said Board on the 7th day of July, 2026 and that the same is a true and correct copy of such Resolution and the whole thereof.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said County this _____ day of _____, 20 ____.

Clerk of the Board of Legislators

JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF LEGISLATORS
Resolution No. 200

Authorizing an Agreement with Savi Solutions PBC for Student Loan Guidance and Employment
Verification Services

By Legislator: Steel E. Potter

Whereas, Student loan debt represents a significant financial strain on workforce populations across the nation, with over 45 million Americans carrying a combined \$1.7 trillion in student loan debt and navigating a complex landscape of ever-changing repayment, deferment, and forgiveness policies, and

Whereas, Employees of local government organizations are uniquely eligible for the federal Public Service Loan Forgiveness (PSLF) program after making 120 qualifying payments, yet many individuals face low awareness and high initial application denial rates due to complicated paperwork and manual re-enrollment processes, and

Whereas, Savi Solutions PBC provides a secure, digital Student Debt Navigator platform and custom co-branded micro-site that automates the tracking, application, and verification processes for federal repayment and forgiveness options, which significantly reduces the manual administrative lifting, and

Whereas, Implementing access to these specialized self-serve optimization tools and expert-led educational workshops serves as a valuable differentiator for employee recruitment and retention, directly mitigating financial stress and enhancing overall workforce well-being within Jefferson County.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the Chairman of the Board of Legislators is hereby authorized to execute an agreement with Savi Solutions PBC to provide the Student Loan Guidance platform to Jefferson County employees as a voluntary benefit at no cost to Jefferson County, with voluntary premium options available at the individual user's expense, for a term of one (1) year commencing upon execution and termination by 30 days notice in advance of renewal, subject to approval of the County Attorney as to form and content.

Seconded by Legislator: Robert D. Ferris

State of New York)
County of Jefferson) ss.:

I, the undersigned, Clerk of the Board of Legislators of the County of Jefferson, New York, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing copy of Resolution No. 200 of the Board of Legislators of said County of Jefferson with the original thereof on file in my office and duly adopted by said Board at a meeting of said Board on the 7th day of July, 2026 and that the same is a true and correct copy of such Resolution and the whole thereof.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said County this _____ day of _____, 20 ____.

Clerk of the Board of Legislators

JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF LEGISLATORS
Resolution No. 201

Amending the 2026 County Budget Relative to Probation Department Personnel

By Legislator: Steel E. Potter

Whereas, The Probation Department has experienced unanticipated leaves of absence in 2026,
and

Whereas, The utilization of temporary staff is necessary to ensure the continuity of essential
department operations and maintain service efficiency, and

Whereas, Funds are available for transfer within the Probation Department budget to cover
additional temporary staffing costs.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the 2026 County Budget is hereby amended as follows:

Increase:

01314000 01110	Temporary Services	\$ 15,000
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Decrease:

01314000 01100	Personal Services	\$ 15,000
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Seconded by Legislator: Robert W. Cantwell, III

State of New York)
) ss.:
County of Jefferson)

I, the undersigned, Clerk of the Board of Legislators of the County of Jefferson, New York, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing copy of Resolution No. 201 of the Board of Legislators of said County of Jefferson with the original thereof on file in my office and duly adopted by said Board at a meeting of said Board on the 7th day of July, 2026 and that the same is a true and correct copy of such Resolution and the whole thereof.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said County this _____ day of _____, 20 ____.

Clerk of the Board of Legislators

JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF LEGISLATORS
Resolution No. 202

Authorizing an Agreement with Trinity Services Group, Inc. for Food Service Management Operations at the Jefferson County Correctional Facility, Abolishing Positions and Amending the 2026 County Budget

By Legislator: Robert D. Ferris

Whereas, Food services at the Jefferson County Correctional Facility require compliance with New York State Commission of Correction regulations and public health standards, and

Whereas, Correctional facilities often lack the specialization in food services and can experience staffing issues compared to that of a professional food services organization, and

Whereas, Trinity Services Group, Inc. specializes in food services in correctional institutions, currently providing services for 24 county facilities within New York State, and

Whereas, Transitioning to an experienced specialized vendor provides Jefferson County with national procurement advantages, professional operational oversight, dietitian-certified menus, and compliance with the New York State Commission of Correction (NYSCOC) Minimum Standards, American Correctional Association (ACA) standards, and Hazard Analysis Critical Control Point (HACCP) guidelines, and

Whereas, Trinity Services Group, Inc. has submitted a proposal for services for the estimated annual sum of \$711,312 based upon an average daily population of 160 incarcerated individuals, for food service management operations at the Jefferson County Correctional Facility, while cultivating a safer kitchen environment through decreased high-risk contact with incarcerated individuals, and

Whereas, Said contracted services will replace existing food service correctional facility kitchen positions.

Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved, That the Chairman of the Board of Legislators is hereby authorized to execute an agreement with Trinity Services Group for food service management operations at the Jefferson County Correctional Facility, at a cost per meal determined by the proposal's population sliding scale, for a three (3) year term, commencing upon final contract execution, with options to extend the Agreement for two (2) subsequent consecutive one (1) year periods, subject to approval of the County Attorney as to form and content, and be it further

Resolved, that the positions of Head Cook (3150043), Cook (3150044), Cook (3150082) & Cook (3150042), be abolished upon execution and implementation of the Agreement, and be it further

Resolved, That the 2026 County Budget is hereby amended as follows:

Increase:

Expenditure		
01315000 04416	Professional Fees	\$237,104.00

Decrease:

Expenditure		
01315000 01100	Personal Services	\$ 65,438.00
01315000 04512	Food Supplies	171,666.00

Seconded by Legislator: Robert W. Cantwell, III

State of New York)
County of Jefferson) ss.:

I, the undersigned, Clerk of the Board of Legislators of the County of Jefferson, New York, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing copy of Resolution No. 202 of the Board of Legislators of said County of Jefferson with the original thereof on file in my office and duly adopted by said Board at a meeting of said Board on the 7th day of July, 2026 and that the same is a true and correct copy of such Resolution and the whole thereof.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said County this _____ day of _____, 20 ____.

Clerk of the Board of Legislators

JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF LEGISLATORS
Resolution No. 203

Amending Fee Schedule in Relation to the Jefferson County Rules and Regulations for Administration and Enforcement of the Uniform Code and Adoption of Local Law No. 2 of 2026 Providing for Permitting of Commercial Renewable Energy Conversion Systems

By Legislator: Robert D. Ferris

Whereas, Jefferson County is responsible for the administration and enforcement of the New York State Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code in municipalities within Jefferson County that have opted not to administer and enforce the same, and

Whereas, The Jefferson County Board of Legislators adopted Local Law No. 2 of 2026, which provides for the permitting of commercial renewable energy conversion systems to ensure their safe and orderly development within the jurisdiction of Jefferson County Fire Prevention and Building Code, and

Whereas, Commercial energy storage systems and renewable energy conversion systems require specialized technical review to protect the safety of residents and property, and

Whereas, It is beneficial to Jefferson County to establish specific fees for these permits to more closely reflect the real value of the administrative resources required and to review and permit commercial renewable energy conversion systems.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That pursuant to Section 13 of the Jefferson County Rules and Regulations for Administration and Enforcement of the Uniform Code, the attached Fee Schedule and Construction Value Factors are hereby enacted for permits issued in connection with County administration and enforcement of the New York State Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code, and be it further

Resolved, That this resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

Seconded by Legislator: Daniel R. McBride

State of New York)
) ss.:
County of Jefferson)

I, the undersigned, Clerk of the Board of Legislators of the County of Jefferson, New York, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing copy of Resolution No. 203 of the Board of Legislators of said County of Jefferson with the original thereof on file in my office and duly adopted by said Board at a meeting of said Board on the 7th day of July, 2026 and that the same is a true and correct copy of such Resolution and the whole thereof.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said County this _____ day of _____, 20 ____.

Clerk of the Board of Legislators

JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF LEGISLATORS
Resolution No. 204

Adopting Revised General Municipal Law 239-M Referral Exemption Framework and
Authorizing Agreements in Relation Thereto

By Legislator: Philip N. Reed, Sr.

Whereas, The Jefferson County Planning Board was established pursuant to Article 12-B of the New York State General Municipal Law, and

Whereas, General Municipal Law Section 239-M requires local municipal boards to refer certain land use actions located within five hundred feet of specified features to the County Planning Board for review and recommendation, and

Whereas, The statute further provides that a county and a municipal governing body may enter into an agreement identifying classes of actions that are primarily of local concern and therefore exempt from regional referral, and

Whereas, Jefferson County and its municipalities recognize that routine zoning actions do not produce intermunicipal or countywide impacts and can be more efficiently addressed at the local level, thereby enabling the Jefferson County Planning Board to focus its review resources on development projects with significant regional, environmental, or infrastructural implications, and

Whereas, These administrative changes are implemented in an effort to reduce bureaucratic red tape and eliminate county reviews or involvement in projects that are of local concern only, and

Whereas, Adopting the aforementioned 2026 exemption framework for minor residential, nonresidential, accessory, and administrative actions streamlines local economic development and reduces unnecessary administrative delays while ensuring that critical areas, such as highway access, municipal boundaries, and airport safety zones, remain protected under county review.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the Jefferson County Board of Legislators hereby adopts the attached Revised General Municipal Law 239-M Referral Exemption Framework, to be effective upon the adoption of this Resolution, and

Resolved, That the Chairman of the Board of Legislators is hereby authorized to execute intermunicipal agreements with participating local municipalities within Jefferson County for the implementation of the attached 2026 Updated Section 239-M Referral Exemption Framework at no cost to Jefferson County, upon adoption of a corresponding municipal resolution by each participating municipality, subject to approval of the County Attorney as to form and content.

Seconded by Legislator: Daniel R. McBride

JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF LEGISLATORS

Resolution No. 205

Authorizing a Grant Application with the New York State Department of State for a Brownfield Opportunity Area Program Pre-Planning Grant

By Legislator: Robert D. Ferris

Whereas, By Resolution No. 47 of 2026, The Board of Legislators adopted the 2026 Strategic Priorities for the General Services Committee, including developing a strategy for brownfield redevelopment and blight removal, and

Whereas, Section 970-r of the General Municipal Law authorizes State assistance to eligible parties for Brownfield Opportunity Areas (BOA) Program grants by means of a State Assistance Contract to enable municipalities to realize community revitalization, environmental remediation, and economic growth, and

Whereas, Jefferson County has identified concentrations of known or suspected brownfields and underutilized properties that present significant opportunities for redevelopment, which will directly benefit local residents, restore blighted areas, and stabilize the property tax base of Jefferson County, and

Whereas, Participation in the Brownfield Opportunity Areas Program will enable Jefferson County to conduct an area-wide identification and preliminary analysis, facilitating future specific planning and redevelopment efforts that are in the public interest and benefit, and

Whereas, The proposed project, to be known as the Jefferson County Pre-Planning Area Project, consists of conducting an area-wide inventory and preliminary analysis of known or suspected Brownfield areas to identify focus areas for future planning and revitalization, and

Whereas, Territory boundaries shall encompass targeted rural, municipal, and waterfront corridors across Jefferson County.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That Jefferson County Department of Planning and Community Development is hereby authorized to submit an application with the New York State Department of State for a Brownfield Opportunity Area Program Pre-Planning Grant in an amount not to exceed \$300,000.00, with the required local match of 10% of the total project cost.

Seconded by Legislator: Corey Y. Grant

State of New York)
) ss.:
County of Jefferson)

I, the undersigned, Clerk of the Board of Legislators of the County of Jefferson, New York, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing copy of Resolution No. 205 of the Board of Legislators of said County of Jefferson with the original thereof on file in my office and duly adopted by said Board at a meeting of said Board on the 7th day of July, 2026 and that the same is a true and correct copy of such Resolution and the whole thereof.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said County this _____ day of _____, 20 ____.

Clerk of the Board of Legislators

JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF LEGISLATORS
Resolution No. 206

Authorizing a Grant Application with the New York State Department of Environmental
Conservation for the 2026 Jefferson County Natural Resources Inventory

By Legislator: Philip N. Reed, Sr.

Whereas, Jefferson County's most recent Natural Resources Inventory was completed in 1992,
and

Whereas, By Resolution No. 47 of 2026, The Board of Legislators adopted the 2026 Strategic
Priorities for the General Services Committee, including address land use, permitting, and
taxation policies regarding clean energy development, and

Whereas, The New York State Office of Renewable Energy Siting (ORES) possesses the
authority to bypass local municipal zoning and land-use regulations when permitting major solar
and renewable energy facilities, making it imperative that Jefferson County establishes strong,
data-driven baselines to protect its landscape, and

Whereas, ORES is legally required to consider substantive local environmental, agricultural, and
ecological factors during its review process, but relies heavily on applicants' self-reported data in
the absence of comprehensive, updated local studies, and

Whereas, A modernized 2026 Natural Resources Inventory will provide Jefferson County and its
constituent towns with an authoritative, scientifically sound, and legally defensible repository of
data regarding prime agricultural soils, critical wildlife habitats, wetlands, and water resources,
and

Whereas, Possessing an updated Natural Resources Inventory equips Jefferson County with the
empirical evidence necessary to actively intervene in ORES proceedings, challenge unsuitable
developer proposals, and enforce strict adherence to local environmental constraints, thereby
restoring a critical measure of local control over utility-scale solar siting, and

Whereas, Financial assistance is available through the New York State Climate Smart
Communities grant program pursuant to Environmental Conservation Law Article 54, Title 15,
and

Whereas, This funding will provide significant economic benefit to Jefferson County by
offsetting the costs of this vital project, and

Whereas, Jefferson County certifies that it has identified \$20,000 of matching funds from general
county funds to include in-kind personnel services pursuant to the requirements of
Environmental Conservation Law Article 54, Title 15, thereby successfully leveraging \$80,000
in state funding for a total project value of \$100,000.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the Jefferson County Department of Planning and Community Development is hereby authorized to submit an application with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation to update Jefferson County's Natural Resources Inventory in the amount of \$80,000, plus a local match of \$20,000 for a total project value of \$100,000.

Seconded by Legislator: Robert D. Ferris

State of New York)
) ss.:
County of Jefferson)

I, the undersigned, Clerk of the Board of Legislators of the County of Jefferson, New York, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing copy of Resolution No. 206 of the Board of Legislators of said County of Jefferson with the original thereof on file in my office and duly adopted by said Board at a meeting of said Board on the 7th day of July, 2026 and that the same is a true and correct copy of such Resolution and the whole thereof.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said County this _____ day of _____, 20 ____.

Clerk of the Board of Legislators

JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF LEGISLATORS
Resolution No. 207

Authorizing an Agreement and Amending the 2026 County Budget and Capital Plan in Relation
to Site Paving at the Recycling and Waste Management Facility

By Legislator: Philip N. Reed, Sr.

Whereas, By Resolution No. 81 of 2025, The Jefferson County Board of Legislators authorized a loan from the General Fund to the Enterprise Fund for capital infrastructure needs in the amount of \$1,000,000, and

Whereas, By Resolution No. 134 of 2025, The Board of Legislators authorized an agreement with Barton and Loguidice for professional engineering services that included engineering services for potential paving needs, and

Whereas, Jefferson County solicited sealed bids for the Transfer Station Site Paving Project to perform essential pavement rehabilitation and modifications at the Solid Waste and Recycling Transfer Facility to maximize site durability, traffic safety, and proper water drainage, and

Whereas, Barrett Paving Materials Inc. submitted the lowest responsive and responsible bid, including recommended additive bids, in the amount of \$427,863.50, and

Whereas, The necessary asphalt concrete products required for the project will be procured separately by Jefferson County under its existing asphalt materials award in an approximate amount of \$272,000.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the Chairman of the Board of Legislators is hereby authorized to execute an agreement with Barrett Paving Materials Inc. for the Jefferson County Transfer Station Site Paving Project in an amount not to exceed \$427,863.50, for a term expiring upon final completion by May 1, 2027, subject to approval of the County Attorney as to form and content, and be it further

Resolved, That the 2026 County Budget is hereby amended as follows:

Increase:

Fund Balance			
15000000 30599	Appropriated Fund Balance		\$202,460
Expenditure			
15816000 02014	Paving		\$700,000

Decrease:

Expenditure

15819000 02010

Transfer Station Construction

\$497,540

and be it further

Resolved, That the six-year capital plan is amended accordingly.

Seconded by Legislator: Daniel R. McBride

State of New York)
) ss.:
County of Jefferson)

I, the undersigned, Clerk of the Board of Legislators of the County of Jefferson, New York, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing copy of Resolution No. 207 of the Board of Legislators of said County of Jefferson with the original thereof on file in my office and duly adopted by said Board at a meeting of said Board on the 7th day of July, 2026 and that the same is a true and correct copy of such Resolution and the whole thereof.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said County this _____ day of _____, 20 ____.

Clerk of the Board of Legislators

JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF LEGISLATORS
Resolution No. 208

Authorizing an Agreement with the New York Division of Criminal Justice Services Gun Involved Violence Elimination (GIVE) Grant 2025-2026 Relative to the Sheriff's Office and Amending the 2026 County Budget in Relation Thereto

By Legislator: Philip N. Reed, Sr.

Whereas, The Jefferson County Sheriff's Office has been awarded a New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services Gun Involved Violence Elimination (GIVE) 2025-2026 Grant in the amount of \$39,000, and

Whereas, The GIVE initiative provides for preventative and enforcement strategies to focus efforts on hot spot policing, deterrence through community outreach and resource alignment, and specialized training, and

Whereas, Said grant will be used for Sheriff's Office overtime costs, community engagements and specialized training.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That Jefferson County hereby accepts said grant award and the Chairman of the Board of Legislators is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents as may be required to fulfill the requirements of this grant award on behalf of Jefferson County, subject to the County Attorney as to form and content, and be it further

Resolved, That the Chairman of the Board of Legislators is hereby authorized and directed to execute any and all future amendments and agreements with New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services relative to the Gun Involved Violence Elimination (GIVE) Grant, within available appropriations, per Purchasing Policy 4.01 – Policy, Control and Quotations, and be it further

Resolved, That the 2026 County Budget is hereby amended as follows:

Increase:

Revenue		
01311000 93389	State Aid – Other Public Safety	\$39,000
Expenditure		
01311000 01300	Overtime	\$35,000
01311000 04313	Travel	3,500
01311000 04613	Training	500

Seconded by Legislator: Corey Y. Grant

State of New York)
) ss.:
County of Jefferson)

I, the undersigned, Clerk of the Board of Legislators of the County of Jefferson, New York, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing copy of Resolution No. 208 of the Board of Legislators of said County of Jefferson with the original thereof on file in my office and duly adopted by said Board at a meeting of said Board on the 7th day of July, 2026 and that the same is a true and correct copy of such Resolution and the whole thereof.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said County this _____ day of _____, 20 ____.

Clerk of the Board of Legislators

JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF LEGISLATORS
Resolution No. 209

Authorizing the Amendment of the New York State Division of Homeland Security and
Emergency Services 2024 Operation Stonegarden Grant Relative to the Sheriff's Office and
Amending the 2026 County Budget in Relation Thereto

By Legislator: Daniel R. McBride

Whereas, By Resolution Nos. 185 of 2025 and 130 of 2026, The Board of Legislators authorized an agreement with the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services (NYSDHSES) and subsequently reappropriated the 2024 Operation Stonegarden Program Grant (OPSG), and

Whereas, There remain unspent funds in the 2024 OPSG Program Grant, and

Whereas, The Sheriff's Office applied for and received an amendment to the 2024 Stongarden Program Grant to support the purchase of two (2) engines for the County-owned 2007 AMC Kingfisher patrol vessel which is used to support Operation Stonegarden border security.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the Board of Legislators enter into an agreement with the NYSDHSES to amend the 2024 OPSG grant as described above, and be it further

Resolved, That Chairman of the Board of Legislators is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents as may be required to fulfill the requirements of this this grant amendment on behalf of Jefferson County, subject to approval by the County Attorney as to form and content, and be it further

Resolved, That the 2026 County Budget is hereby amended as follows:

Increase:

Expenditure		
01311400 02100	Equipment (SHSTON24)	\$45,000

Decrease:

Revenue		
01311000 943201	Fed Homeland Sec-Sheriff	\$21,000

Expenditure		
01311000 02100	Equipment	\$21,000
01311400 01300	Overtime (SHSTON24)	44,000
01311400 08010	Retirement (SHSTON24)	500
01311400 08030	Social Security (SHSTON24)	500

Seconded by Legislator: Robert D. Ferris

State of New York)
) ss.:
County of Jefferson)

I, the undersigned, Clerk of the Board of Legislators of the County of Jefferson, New York, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing copy of Resolution No. 209 of the Board of Legislators of said County of Jefferson with the original thereof on file in my office and duly adopted by said Board at a meeting of said Board on the 7th day of July, 2026 and that the same is a true and correct copy of such Resolution and the whole thereof.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said County this _____ day of _____, 20 ____.

Clerk of the Board of Legislators

JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF LEGISLATORS
Resolution No. 210

Accepting Funding and Authorizing an Agreement in Connection With
Public Health Emergency Preparedness Program

By Legislator: Karen J. Freeman

Whereas, The Jefferson County Public Health Service (JCPHS) has been allocated, \$90,122 for a one (1) year term renewal from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and Health Research, Inc. (HRI) of the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) for the period of July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027, to improve its preparedness to address public health emergencies, and

Whereas, The funds will be used to improve capacities to respond to public health threats pursuant to guidelines developed by the CDC and NYSDOH, and

Whereas, The Public Health Emergency Preparedness Plan and other improvements will require use of existing personal services and purchase and payment of certain operating expenses authorized in the 2026 Budget, all to be 100% funded by the grant.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the Chairman of the Board of Legislators is hereby authorized to sign the renewal agreement with Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and Health Research, Inc. (HRI) of the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) to improve its preparedness to address public health emergencies, for the period of July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027, subject to approval by the County Attorney as to form and content, and be it further

Resolved, That the Chairman of the Board of Legislators is hereby authorized and directed to execute any and all documents as may be required to execute any and all future amendments and agreements with CDC/HRI/NYSDOH relative to this funding, per Purchasing Policy 4.01 – Policy, Control and Quotations, subject to approval by the County Attorney as to form and content.

Seconded by Legislator: Tina M. Bartlett-Bearup

State of New York)
) ss.:
County of Jefferson)

I, the undersigned, Clerk of the Board of Legislators of the County of Jefferson, New York, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing copy of Resolution No. 210 of the Board of Legislators of said County of Jefferson with the original thereof on file in my office and duly adopted by said Board at a meeting of said Board on the 7th day of July, 2026 and that the same is a true and correct copy of such Resolution and the whole thereof.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said County this _____ day of _____, 20 ____.

Clerk of the Board of Legislators

JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF LEGISLATORS
Resolution No. 211

Accepting Stipend from the Fort Drum Regional Health Planning Organization
and Amending the 2026 County Budget

By Legislator: Corey Y. Grant

Whereas, The Fort Drum Regional Health Planning Organization has provided a \$250 stipend to the Public Health Service for hosting Job Shadow Program participants, and

Whereas, The Public Health Service intends to use the stipend to offset materials for the County's oral health initiatives, and

Whereas, The 2026 County Budget must be amended to recognize the stipend.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the Board of Legislators accept the stipend and the 2026 County Budget is amended as follows:

Increase:

Revenue:		
01405000 92705	Gifts & Donations	\$250

Expenditure:		
01405100 04585	Operating Supplies	\$250

Seconded by Legislator: Christopher S. Boulio

State of New York)
) ss.:
County of Jefferson)

I, the undersigned, Clerk of the Board of Legislators of the County of Jefferson, New York, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing copy of Resolution No. 211 of the Board of Legislators of said County of Jefferson with the original thereof on file in my office and duly adopted by said Board at a meeting of said Board on the 7th day of July, 2026 and that the same is a true and correct copy of such Resolution and the whole thereof.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said County this _____ day of _____, 20 ____.

Clerk of the Board of Legislators

JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF LEGISLATORS
Resolution No. 212

Amending the 2026 County Budget Relative to Public Health Personnel Accounts

By Legislator: Tina M. Bartlett-Bearup

Whereas, The Public Health Department has utilized retirees as temporary employees to meet workflow and staffing shortages caused by ongoing vacancies, and

Whereas, Funds are available for transfer in personal services due to such vacancies.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the 2026 County Budget be and is hereby amended as follows:

Increase:

01401000 01110	Temporary	\$19,000
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Decrease:

01401000 01100	Personal Services	\$19,000
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Seconded by Legislator: Robert W. Cantwell, III

State of New York)
County of Jefferson) ss.:

I, the undersigned, Clerk of the Board of Legislators of the County of Jefferson, New York, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing copy of Resolution No. 212 of the Board of Legislators of said County of Jefferson with the original thereof on file in my office and duly adopted by said Board at a meeting of said Board on the 7th day of July, 2026 and that the same is a true and correct copy of such Resolution and the whole thereof.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said County this _____ day of _____, 20 ____.

Clerk of the Board of Legislators

JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF LEGISLATORS
Resolution No. 213

Amending 2025/26 Comprehensive Planning Resource Allocation Agreement with the NYS Office of Children & Family Services, Authorizing Amended Contractual Youth Program Agreements and Amending the 2026 County Budget in Relation Thereto

By Legislator: Tina M. Bartlett-Bearup

Whereas, Pursuant to Resolution No. 283 of 2025 the Board of Legislators authorized a 2025/26 Comprehensive Planning Resource Allocation Agreement with the NYS Office of Children & Family Services (OCFS), and

Whereas, Funding allocated for the Administration of the programs was underspent by \$5000 for Youth Development Programs, \$4,000 for Youth Team Sports Programs, and \$5,500 for Youth Sports and Education Opportunity Programs, all as listed below, and

Whereas, The 2025/26 Resource Allocation Plan needs to be amended to reflect those changes.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the 2025/26 Comprehensive Planning Resource Allocation Agreement with the NYS Office of Children & Family Services is hereby amended to reflect the following updates:

Youth Development Program (YDP)

<u>Agency/Program</u>	<u>Original State Aid Allocation</u>	<u>Increase/Decrease</u>	<u>Revised State Aid Allocation</u>
CHJC SoZo Teen Center	30,000	2,500	32,500
Hearts for Youth	12,780	2,500	15,280

Youth Team Sports (YTS)

<u>Agency/Program</u>	<u>Original State Aid Allocation</u>	<u>Increase/Decrease</u>	<u>Revised State Aid Allocation</u>
Thousand Islands Youth Hockey	25,027	4,000	29,027

Youth Sports and Education Opportunity Funds (YSEF)

<u>Agency/Program</u>	<u>Original State Aid Allocation</u>	<u>Increase/Decrease</u>	<u>Revised State Aid Allocation</u>
CYC Junior Division Sailing Program	11,115	5,500	16,615

and be it further

Resolved, That Pursuant to Section 450 of County Law, the Chairman of the Board of Legislators be and is hereby authorized to execute necessary amended contractual Youth Program Agreements with the various agencies on behalf of Jefferson County, subject to the review and approval of the County Attorney as to form and content, and be it further

Resolved, That the 2026 County Budget is amended as follows:

Increase:

01731000 04781 Youth Development Program Fund \$14,500

Decrease:

01601000 04416 Professional Fees (External) \$14,500

Seconded by Legislator: Robert W. Cantwell, III

State of New York)
County of Jefferson) ss.:

I, the undersigned, Clerk of the Board of Legislators of the County of Jefferson, New York, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing copy of Resolution No. 213 of the Board of Legislators of said County of Jefferson with the original thereof on file in my office and duly adopted by said Board at a meeting of said Board on the 7th day of July, 2026 and that the same is a true and correct copy of such Resolution and the whole thereof.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said County this _____ day of _____, 20 ____.

Clerk of the Board of Legislators
