

**ADDENDUM**

**Minutes of the  
TROY CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
MARCH 3, 2022  
7:00 P.M.**

**1. A Local Law Amending Troy City Charter Part 2, Article 1, Section C-2 To Increase The Number Of Redistricting Commission Members (Council President Mantello, Council Member Gulli, Council Member Ashe-McPherson, Council Member Sorriento)**

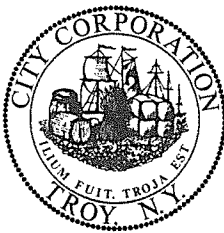
Local Law passed 4 ayes, 3 nos (Steele, Menn, Conley-Wilson), 0 abstentions

Note: This resolution was vetoed by the Mayor. See attached

**3. Ordinance Transferring Funds Within The 2022 General Fund (Tabled 2/3/22) (Council President Mantello, Council Member Gulli, Council Member Ashe-McPherson, And Council Member Sorriento)**

Ordinance untabled, Ordinance passed 5 ayes, 2 nos (Steele, Conley-Wilson)

Note: This resolution was not endorsed by the Mayor.



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To: Council President Mantello and Members

From: Mayor Patrick Madden

Re: Local Law #1 of 2022

Date: March 15, 2022

Due respect should be given by one branch of government to another whenever possible. The power of the veto is one that should be wielded sparingly. I have chosen to exercise my veto power in this instance because I believe Local Law #1 of 2022 has the very real potential to erode the independence of the redistricting commission that City voters sought to achieve in the 2015 Charter revision referendum.

Section C-2 of the City Charter as currently adopted was the result of significant discussion among members of the Charter Review Commission in 2015 (comprised of members of both parties) and public comment. The resulting language was unanimously agreed to by Commission members and ultimately passed a City-wide referendum.

In contrast, Local Law #1 seeking to amend Section C-2 has no demonstrated bi-partisan support and was the subject of three brief meetings that resulted in numerous public comments against the proposal and, as best as I can tell, only one in support.

The most logical conclusion is that Section C-2 as currently written more accurately reflects the preference of the electorate.

The comments of the Council members and the lone member of the public who spoke in favor of Local Law #1 seem to be rooted in the notion that geographic representation is essential to ensure fairness. The Charter Review Commission in 2015 obviously did not believe that to be true. In fact, geographic representation may work against the independence that the Charter is designed to achieve.

Under Section C-2, the Commission has two roles: the first is data analysis, i.e., determining whether each district falls within the population parameters set forth in the Charter. That is purely a mathematical exercise and certainly not related to the district where one resides.

The second task of the Commission is to redraw district boundary lines if the population parameters are not met. The Charter requires that districts “shall be compact, contiguous, convenient and preserve neighborhood characteristics.” In my view, and I think in the view of the framers of the current Section C-2, Commissioners are more likely to achieve those goals without the burden of an allegiance to a particular district or district representative. They should be free to do so.

An Independent Redistricting Commission should be composed of independent individuals who are suited to the task and not beholden to parochial or party loyalties. The present Commission meets that goal as it is currently constituted. Local Law #1 does nothing to advance that goal and is, in fact, likely to erode the independence that has been achieved.

Moreover, constituting a Board with an even number of members with an equal appointment from each party as Local Law #1 now envisions is a recipe for gridlock. Witness the recent failure of the 10 member New York State Independent Redistricting Committee with equal appointments from both parties. While that result was disappointing it was far from surprising. It was an outcome baked into the system created by the 2014 constitutional amendment. With both parties angling for advantage, the failure of Republicans and Democrats to agree was inevitable. Balanced is not the same as independent.

In 2015, the voters in Troy overwhelmingly chose to end partisan gerrymandering and supported an independent, nonpartisan commission to draw fair district lines. District proposals should reflect communities and local stakeholders — rather than political and parochial interests.

Finally, and significantly, both Charter Section C-2, as currently written, and Local Law #1 require that the Commission be appointed “not later than six months after the availability of population data on a census tract basis from each decennial census taken by the U.S. Census Bureau.” The six-month period has lapsed. Appointment of a new commission at this time could not be done consistently with that requirement. Even if this veto were overridden, Local Law #1 still could not alter the present Commission.

For these reasons I exercise my authority under Troy City Charter Section C-39 to veto Local Law #1 of 2022, entitled,

“A LOCAL LAW AMENDING THE TROY CITY CHARTER PART 2, ARTICLE 1, SECTION C-2 TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF REDISTRICTING COMMISSION MEMBERS”.

**A LOCAL LAW AMENDING TROY CITY CHARTER PART 2, ARTICLE 1,  
SECTION C-2 TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF  
REDISTRICTING COMMISSION MEMBERS**

**BE IT ENACTED, BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TROY:**

**Section 1.** Troy City Charter Part 2, Article 1, Section C-2 is amended as follows:

§ C-2. Drawing of district boundaries; redistricting.

The Council, as soon as is practicable and not later than six months after the availability of population data on a census tract basis from each decennial census taken by the U.S. Census Bureau, shall appoint an independent commission of no less than seven but no more than ten members who are electors of the City to examine the population within the boundaries of the six council districts of the City. Each district must contain neither less than 13% nor more than 18% of the population of the City and, to the greatest extent possible, shall be compact, contiguous, convenient and preserve neighborhood characteristics. If such districts are found not to be in compliance with this requirement, based on the census data, the Council shall direct the independent commission to devise and recommend to it a plan to redistrict the City in accordance with the population percentages described herein, and in compliance with all pertinent legal requirements. The Council shall use such recommendation to the greatest extent possible to proceed by ordinance to redistrict the City. No more than four members of the commission may be registered members of the same political party.

**Section 2.** The City Council hereby enacts the foregoing amendment to Troy City Charter Part 2, Article 1, Section C-2, and authorizes the codification of this amendment, with the elimination of any words herein struck out and the addition of the underlined words, as delineated in Section 1 of this Local Law.

**Section 3.** This Local Law shall take effect upon its adoption and filing in accordance with State Law.

Approved as to form, March 16, 2022  
Richard T. Morrissey  
Richard T. Morrissey, Corporation Counsel

<b>AYES: 4</b>	<b>NOS: 3</b>	<b>ABSTAIN: 0</b>	<b>ABSENT: 0</b>
<b>Troy City Clerk</b>		<b>Executive Action</b>	
Sent to Mayor <u>March 4, 2022</u>		Approved <u>[Signature]</u> Date <u>03-15-2022</u>	
Received from Mayor _____		Veto <u>[Signature]</u> Not Endorsed _____	
City Clerk _____		Mayor <u>[Signature]</u>	

TROY CITY COUNCIL VOTING RECORD  
Regular Meeting – March 3, 2022

Ordinance No. \_\_\_\_\_

Resolution No. \_\_\_\_\_

Local Law No. 1

Introduced by Mantello at the request of the Administration

Motion/Second: JO/ KAM

	Absent	Approve			Table		Amend	
		Aye	No	Abstain	Aye	No	Aye	No
Council Member Gulli	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Council Member Ashe-McPherson	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Council Member Steele	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Council Member Menn	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Council Member Conley-Wilson	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Council President Mantello	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>TOTALS</b>		<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>

Motion to Table/Second: \_\_\_\_\_

Motion to Amend/Second: \_\_\_\_\_

Amendment:

**ORDINANCE TRANSFERRING FUNDS WITHIN THE 2022 GENERAL FUND**

The City of Troy, convened in City Council, ordains as follows:

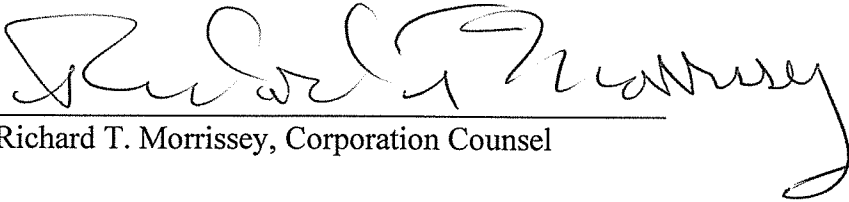
**Section 1.** The City of Troy 2022 budget is herein amended as set forth in Schedule A entitled:


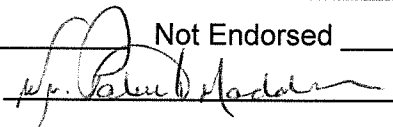
**2022 Budget Transfer(s) – General Fund**

which is attached hereto and made a part hereof

**Section 2.** This act will take effect immediately.

Approved as to form, March 16, 2022, 2022

  
Richard T. Morrissey, Corporation Counsel

<b>AYES: 5</b>	<b>NOS: 2</b>	<b>ABSTAIN: 0</b>	<b>ABSENT: 0</b>
<b>Troy City Clerk</b>		<b>Executive Action</b>	
Sent to Mayor <u>March 4, 2022</u>		Approved _____ Date <u>03-16-2022</u>	
Received from Mayor <u>3/16/22</u>		Veto _____ Not Endorsed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
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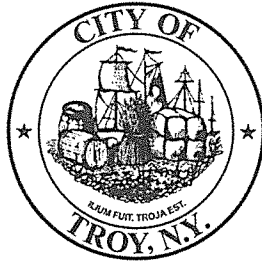
# Schedule A

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## 2022 Budget Transfer(s) – General Fund

<b>Department</b>	<b>Account No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Original Budget*</b>	<b>Change (+ / -)</b>	<b>Revised Budget</b>
Parking	A.3320.0101.0000.0000	Permanent Salaries	89,323.00	(27,509.00)	61,814.00
Parking	A.3320.0102.0000.0000	Temporary Salaries	140,000.00	35,000.00	175,000.00
Parking	A.3320.0806.0000.0000	Social Security	17,734.00	573.00	18,307.00
Contingency	A.1990.0418.0000.0000	Contingency	800,000.00	(8,064.00)	791,936.00
<b>Net Impact On General Fund</b>				<b><u>0.00</u></b>	

\* Or as previously amended



To: Troy City Council  
From: Jim Gulli  
Date: February 3, 2022  
Re: Ordinance #3

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The council majority is requesting to eliminate the 1/2 year funding for the full time parking attendant and modify the language to be one part time parking attendant to be utilized around the city of Troy, not just in the downtown area. We request this hire be made as soon as the civil service requirements for the position are established. The council majority feels that adding up to 2 part time parking officers,(1 now,1 later) will be a savings to the taxpayers and can be much more productive with a broader span of coverage throughout the city than a single full time employee. The council will review the parking operation throughout the year based on the activity and productivity of our Parking Department to realize if a second parking attendant would be beneficial in 2023 for the people of Troy.



TROY CITY COUNCIL VOTING RECORD  
Regular Meeting – March 3, 2022

Ordinance No. 3

Resolution No. \_\_\_\_\_

Local Law No. \_\_\_\_\_

Introduced by Mantello at the request of the Administration

Motion/Second: JULIAM

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Council Member Gulli	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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