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Meeting Agenda

Rules Reform and Legislative Modernization Committee

Wednesday, April 27, 2022 6:30 PM

Held Remotely

County Legislature

PREVIOUS BUSINESS

1. APPROVING PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

CURRENT BUSINESS:

- 2. DISCUSSION REGARDING ONGOING REMOTE MEETING OPTIONS
- 3. DISCUSSION REGARDING ONGOING MODERNIZATION
- 4. DISCUSSION REGARDING ONGOING RULES REFORM OPTIONS

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Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, March 1, 2022

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Honorable Andrew Joyce and Members of the Albany County Legislature:

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

The Rules Reform and Legislative Modernization Committee of the Albany County Legislature met on March 1, 2022. Chairperson Lekakis, Messrs. Kuhn, Grimm, A. Joyce, Miller, O'Brien, Perlee, Ricard, and Ms. Willingham were present. Messrs. Reidy, Cleary, Burgdorf, Mauriello, and Reinhardt also attended. The following item was discussed and/or acted upon:

1. Discussion Regarding Future Remote and Hybrid Meeting Options for the Albany County Legislature: The Committee discussed drafting a letter to the Governor regarding open meetings law, rules review, Granicus, and further modernization. Joyce recommended asking the state legislature to allow the Albany County Legislature to decide what meeting options work best. The Committee met a general consensus that there should be a hybrid option for attending all meetings, though some suggested that committee meetings should remain all-virtual. Many members also noted the importance of legislators attending monthly legislative meetings in person. Other efforts to modernize the legislature, including the ability to search voting records on the county website, were also discussed.

Respectfully Submitted, RULES REFORM AND LEGISLATIVE MODERNIZATION COMMITTEE

LYNNE LEKAKIS, Chairperson JEFF KUHN MARK GRIMM ANDREW JOYCE MATTHEW MILLER JOSEPH O'BRIEN JEFF PERLEE BILL RICARD WANDA WILLINGHAM