



City of Cortland Common Council

October 4, 2022 – 6:00 PM

City Hall, 25 Court Street, Cortland NY 13045

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Meeting Room: 923 566 4700

AGENDA

PUBLIC HEARINGS

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| Public Hearing No. 1 | Submission of Grant Application Under the RESTORE NY Program |
| Public Hearing No. 2 | Proposed Local Law No. 9 of the Year 2022: Amendment of Article §300 - Revisions and Clarifications Relating to Zoning Regulations and Enforcement |
| Public Hearing No. 3 | Proposed Local Law No. 10 of the Year 2022: Amendment of Article §74 Relating to Number of Animals Permitted |
| Public Hearing No. 4 | Proposed Local Law No. 11 of the Year 2022: Amending Chapter 234 Relating to Sidewalk Cafes |
| Public Hearing No. 5 | Relating to the Director, and the Department of Administration & Finance |

CALL TO ORDER – ROLL CALL

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

MOMENT OF SILENCE/REFLECTION

PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

Proclamation No. 1 Declaring October 5, 2022 “A Day in Honor of Alton B. Parker”

WHEREAS, Alton Brooks Parker was born on May 14, 1852 in Cortlandville, attended Cortland Academy and Cortland Normal School, where he trained as a teacher, and attended Albany Law School, from which he graduated in 1873; AND

WHEREAS, in 1885 Parker was appointed by the Governor to the New York State Supreme Court, and held several other judicial posts before being elected Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals in 1897 where he presided until 1904; AND

WHEREAS, in 1904, when his name was promoted as the possible Democratic candidate for President of the United States, he resigned from the Court of Appeals and ran unsuccessfully for President against incumbent President Teddy Roosevelt; AND

WHEREAS, after the Presidential campaign, Judge Parker returned to private law practice, was a founder, director and president of the American Bar Association, and represented labor union leader Samuel Gompers and the American Federation of Labor in two separate cases before the U.S. Supreme Court; AND

WHEREAS, his Cortland County roots included teaching at Virgil School, it is fitting that in 1928 a newly constructed school in Cortland was named in honor of Alton B. Parker; AND

WHEREAS, Judge Parker's portrait is displayed in the Cortland County Courthouse, and a new plaque commemorating his career and his connections to our community will be dedicated on October 5, 2022 for display next to his portrait; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that October 5, 2022 is hereby declared "A Day in Honor of Alton B. Parker."

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

FINANCE REPORT

MAYOR'S REPORT

WARD REPORTS

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER 20, 2022

RESOLUTIONS

Agenda Item No. 1

Resolution to Authorize Submission of Restore NY Grant for Lofts at Gillette Factory Project

WHEREAS, the City of Cortland wishes to facilitate the renovation and reuse of an historic, vacant, blighting building located at 32 Miller Street in the City of Cortland once known as the Gillette Skirt Factory for commercial and residential use to be known as the Lofts at Gillette Factory; AND

WHEREAS, the City has identified the Restore NY Program as an appropriate means of financing a portion of the cost of this project estimated to cost in excess of \$7 million; AND

WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City of Cortland finds that the proposed project at 32 Miller Street is consistent with the existing local or regional plans; the proposed financing is appropriate for the specific project; the project facilitates effective and efficient use of existing and future public resources so as to promote both economic development and preservation of community resources; and the project develops and enhances infrastructure and/or other facilities in a manner that will attract, create, and sustain employment opportunities; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Mayor of the City of Cortland is hereby authorized and directed to file the application for funds from the New York State Empire State Development Corporation under the Restore NY Round 6 Program, in an amount not to exceed \$2,000,000; AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED that the Mayor of the City of Cortland is hereby authorized to sign said application on behalf of the

that parking limits for single-family houses be increased from two parking spaces to four parking spaces; AND WHEREAS, it is recommended by the Zoning Officer, the Zoning Board of Appeals and the Planning Commission that parking regulations be further amended to comply with court decisions; AND

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 20 of the Municipal Home Rule Law of the State of New York, a public hearing on said proposed Local Law No. 9 was held on the 4th day of October, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall, 25 Court Street, Cortland NY; AND

WHEREAS, notice of the time and place of such hearing was published in the official newspaper of the City of Cortland; AND

WHEREAS, the text of the proposed local law was made publicly available in advance of said public hearing; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Common Council approves the adoption of Local Law No. 9 of 2022, amending Chapter 300 of the City Code relating to revisions and clarifications relating to zoning regulations and enforcement; AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, that the text of the local law shall read as follows:

**CITY OF CORTLAND, NEW YORK
LOCAL LAW NO. 9 OF THE YEAR 2022
“AMENDMENT OF ARTICLE §300 - REVISIONS AND CLARIFICATIONS RELATING TO ZONING REGULATIONS
AND ENFORCEMENT”**

Be it enacted by the Common Council of the City of Cortland as follows:

Section 1. Enactment and Title.

§300-4 Definitions. A. When used in this Chapter, unless otherwise expressly stated, the following words and phrases shall have the meanings herein after set forth.

ANCILLARY PARKING AREA – A parking area which is either across the street from or contiguous to the lot served by the parking area.

POLE SIGN – A Sign that is mounted on a freestanding pole or other support so that the bottom edge of the sign face is 7 feet or more above the grade and the top edge of the sign face is no greater than 20 feet above the grade.

HIGH-RISE SIGN – A pole sign with a ground height greater than 20 feet.

§300-6 Designation of Districts. A. The zoning districts will be referred to herein after in this chapter and on the Zoning Map as follows:

Type of District	Designation
Low Density Residential	R-1
Medium Density Residential	R-2
Mixed Density Residential	R-3
Multifamily Residential	R-4
Professional Office	PO
Neighborhood Business	NB
General Business Regional	GB-1
General Business Local	GB-2
Central Business	CB
General Industrial	GI

Historic Overlay	HO
Flood Hazard	FH
Floodway Zone	FW

§300-10 Prohibited Uses. B. The following uses are specifically prohibited as a principle use, however: they may be permitted as an accessory use:

- (1) The storage of crude oil or any of its volatile products or other highly flammable liquids in aboveground tanks.
- (2) The sale of used motor vehicles or equipment, which are regulated herein as an outdoor sales use.

§300-10 Prohibited Uses. C. The following uses are specifically prohibited as a principle or accessory use under this chapter; however they may be permitted pursuant to another chapter of the Code of the City of Cortland:

- (1) Adult entertainment businesses: see Chapter 60.
- (2) Animal harboring: see Chapter 74.
- (3) Junkyards and scrapyards: see Chapter 164
- (4) Sidewalk Cafés: see Chapter 234

§300-22 Residential Permitted and Specially Permitted Uses. Uses are allowed in residential or “R” zoning districts in accordance with Tale 300-13 below.

- A. Uses identified with a “P” in the table are permitted as of right in the subject zoning district, subject to compliance with all other applicable standards of this chapter.
- B. Uses identified with a “SP” in the table may be allowed if reviewed and approved in accordance with the special permit procedures contained in Article XVI.
- C. Uses not listed and those identified with a “ – ” are expressly prohibited.

Table 300-13: Residential Permitted and Specially Permitted Uses

Land Use	Zoning District			
	R-1	R-2	R-3	R-4
Single-family Dwellings, detached	P	P	P	P
Single-family Dwellings, attached	SP	P	P	P
Two-family Dwellings	-	P	P	P
Multifamily Dwellings	-	-	P	P
Bed and Breakfasts	-	SP	SP	SP
Home Occupations	SP	SP	SP	SP
Fraternity or Sorority Dwellings	-	SP	SP	SP
Rooming Houses and Boarding Houses	-	-	SP	SP
Accessory Dwelling Units	SP	SP	-	-
Accessory Uses or Structures	P	P	P	SP
Solar Photovoltaic Systems (accessory only)	P	P	P	SP
Ground-mounted Solar Photovoltaic	-	-	-	-
Places of Worship	SP	SP	SP	SP
Schools	SP	SP	SP	SP
Public Service Utilities	SP	SP	SP	SP

Clubs (lodges, fraternal organizations, etc.)	-	-	-	SP
Ancillary Parking Areas	-	-	-	SP
Parks, Playgrounds	SP	SP	SP	SP
Indoor Lodging	-	-	SP	SP
Extended-Care Medical Facilities	-	-	SP	SP
Personal or Professional Offices	-	-	SP	P
Medical Offices	-	-	SP	P
Day Care Centers	-	-	-	P
Cemeteries	SP	SP	SP	SP

§300-23 Residential Lot, Area and Yard Requirements. The lot, area and yard requirements listed in Table 300-14 below shall apply to the residential districts within the City.

Table 300-14: Residential Lot, Area, and Yard Requirements

D. Minimum Side Yard

Zoning District

Land Use	R-1	R-2	R-3	R-4
Single Family / Two Family	7 feet	7 feet	7 feet	7 feet
Multifamily	--	--	15 feet	15 feet
Nonresidential Uses	10 feet	10 feet	15 feet	15 feet

§300-32 Business Permitted and Specially Permitted Uses. Uses are allowed in business zoning districts in accordance with Table 300-22 below.

- A. Uses identified with a “P” in the table are permitted as of right in the subject zoning district, subject to compliance with all other applicable standards of this chapter.
- B. Uses identified with a “SP” in the table may be allowed if reviewed and approved in accordance with the special permit procedures contained in Article XVI.
- C. Uses not listed and those identified with a “ – ” are expressly prohibited.

Table 300-22: Business Permitted and Specially Permitted Uses

Zoning District

Land Use	CB	NB	PO	GB-2, GB-1
Single-family Dwellings	-	P	P	- (1)
Two-family Dwellings	-	P	P	- (1)
Multifamily Dwellings	P	P	P	P
Bed and Breakfasts	SP	P	P	-
Home Occupations	-	SP	SP	SP
Fraternity or Sorority Dwellings	-	-	SP	SP
Rooming Houses and Boarding Houses	-	SP	-	-
Upper Floor Residential Units	P	P	P	P
Accessory Uses or Structures	SP	SP	SP	SP
Solar Photovoltaic Systems (accessory only)	SP	SP	SP	SP

NOTES:

(1) Single and two-family dwellings occupied as of the effective date of this chapter are considered a permitted use. The development of new single or two-family dwellings are prohibited.

Land use	CB	NB	PO	GB-2, GB-1
Ambulance Service	-	-	-	P
Ancillary Parking Areas	-	-	SP	SP
Art Galleries and Studios	P	P	P	P
Cemeteries	-	-	SP	-
Clubs (lodges, fraternal organizations, etc.)	P	-	SP	P
Day Care Centers	SP	P	P	-
Dry Cleaner Outlets and Laundromats	P	P	-	P
Extended-Care Medical Facilities	-	-	SP	P
Financial Institutions and Services	P	P	SP	P
Fuel Stations	-	SP	SP	P
Funeral Parlors	-	P	P	-
Indoor Entertainment and Receptions	P	SP	-	P
Indoor Lodging	P	-	SP	P
Medical Offices	P	P	P	P
Motor Vehicle Sales	-	-	-	P
Motor Vehicle Service Shops	-	SP	-	P
Outdoor Entertainment and Recreation	-	-	-	SP
Outdoor Sales	SP	-	-	SP
Parks, Playgrounds	SP	SP	SP	SP
Personal or Professional Offices	P	P	P	P
Personal Service Shops	P	P	SP	P
Places of Worship	SP	SP	SP	SP
Public Service Utilities	SP	SP	SP	P
Restaurants and Taverns	P	SP	SP	P
Retail Stores	P	P	SP	P
Schools	-	P	SP	P
Upper Floor Offices	P	P	P	P

§300-42 Industrial Permitted and Specially Permitted Uses. Uses are allowed in industrial zoning districts in accordance with Table 300-30 below.

- A. Uses identified with a “P” in the table are permitted as of right in the subject zoning district, subject to compliance with all other applicable standards of this chapter.
- B. Uses identified with a “SP” in the table may be allowed if reviewed and approved in accordance with the special permit procedures contained in Article XVI.
- C. Uses not listed and those identified with a “ – ” are expressly prohibited.

Table 300-30: Industrial Permitted and Specially Permitted Uses

Land Use	Zoning District
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Accessory Uses or Structures	P
Ambulance Service	P
Ancillary Parking Areas	P

Art Galleries and Studios	P
Cemeteries	P
Clubs (lodges, fraternal organizations, etc.)	P
Concrete and Paving Plants	P
Contractor's Services	P
Crematoriums	SP
Day Care Centers	P
Dry Cleaner Outlets and Laundromats	P
Dry Cleaning and Laundering Facilities	P
Enclosed Assembly of Manufactured Goods and Services	P
Enclosed Fabric and Clothing Production Facilities	P
Enclosed Processing of Raw Materials	P
Enclosed Research, Development, Experimental or Testing Lab	P
Extended-Care Medical Facilities	P
Extractive and Mining Operations	-
Financial Institutions and Services	P
Food Processing, Baking, and Packaging Plants	P
Fraternity or Sorority Dwellings	P
Fuel Stations	P
Funeral Parlors	P
Ground mounted solar photovoltaic	SP

§300-53 Approval of Historic Commission Required.

- A. Applicability. No person shall carry out any exterior modification, alteration, restoration, reconstruction, new construction, or moving of a landmark or property within a historic district; nor shall any person make any material change in the appearance of such property, its landscaping, signage, lighting, sidewalks, fences, paving or other exterior elements which affect the appearance and cohesiveness of the landmark or historic district, without first obtaining approval from the Historic Commission. However, this shall not be construed to prevent normal maintenance as provided for in Section 300-55 of this Article.
- B. Application Requirement. Prior to the commencement of any work requiring Historic Commission approval, the owner and/or their designee shall file an application for Historic District Modification with the Historic Commission. Each applicant shall submit to the City Clerk an application in such form as the Commission shall determine, including the following:

§300-83 Off-Street Parking Requirements.

F. Maximum Parking.

(1) The maximum number of parking spaces allowable is not to exceed 200% of the requirement as outlined in Table 300-83: Required Parking, unless approved by the planning commission.

- a. Maximum parking shall not apply to GB-1 District.

G. Bicycle Parking.

(1) Bicycle Parking shall be provided with all multifamily and nonresidential developments at 10% of the vehicle parking requirements as outlined in Table 300-83: Required Parking, but not less than two bicycle spaces and not more than 20 bicycle spaces for any single use.

H. Recreational Vehicles.

(1) No boat, camper travel trailer, camping trailer, utility trailer, motor home, motorcycle, or any other recreational vehicle may be parked or stored in any area of a front or side yard. The foregoing shall not apply in the General Business Districts (GB-1, GB-2), or the Industrial District where such vehicles are temporarily displayed for sale.

Table 300-83: Required Parking

Use Types	Number of Spaces
Single-family dwellings	Two per dwelling unit
Two-family dwellings	Two per dwelling unit
Multifamily dwellings	One and one half spaces per dwelling unit
Townhouses	Two per dwelling unit
Upper-story residential	One per dwelling unit
Auditoriums, church convention halls, gymnasiums, stadiums, studios or other place of public assembly not otherwise classified	One per four permanent seats or one per each 40 square feet of seating area where fixed seating is not provided
Banks, savings and loan associations	One space per 250 square feet of gross floor area
Bars or nightclubs	One space per 100 square feet of gross floor area
Bed-and-breakfast establishments	One per guest bedroom
Bowling alleys	Six spaces per lane
Day-care center	One per employee + one per eight children capacity
Filling stations	One for every 100 square feet of store and business office space. Each pump station may be considered as a parking space.
Fraternal organizations	One and one-half for every person
Funeral homes	One space per three seats in the parlors and chapels
Furniture store	One per 500 square feet of gross floor area
Heavy industrial	One per 1,000 square feet of gross floor area
Hospitals	Two spaces per sleeping room, and one and one-half spaces per sleeping room for psychiatric hospitals
Hotels, motels	One per guest bedroom, plus one per 200 gross floor area or restaurant area
Light manufacturing or light industrial	One per 250 square feet of gross floor area
Nursing homes	One per each five beds, plus one per each two employees on the premises at one time
Offices, business or professional	One per 400 square feet of gross floor area
Offices, medical	One per 250 square feet of gross floor area
Public or semipublic art gallery, library or museum	The same as auditorium, etc.

Repair garages	Three per service bay or repair station
Research institutions or laboratories	Determined by the Planning Commission upon site plan review
Restaurants, fast food and general eating establishments	One space per 100 square feet of gross floor area
Retail stores, sales and service	One per 300 square feet of gross floor area
Rooming and boarding house	One per bedroom
Veterinary hospital	One per 200 square feet of gross floor area
Wholesale establishment, warehouse	One per 1,000 square feet of gross floor area

§300-84 Parking Area Location, Layout and Design.

A. Location in Residential (R-1, R-2, R-3, R-4) Districts

(1) Off-street parking may be located in the rear yard, side yard or underground.

B. (7) Expect for single-family dwellings, parking spaces shall be designed to permit entry and exit without moving any other vehicle.

§300-94 Fences and Walls.

B. Use and Design Regulations

(2) Within residential districts, no fence or wall over four feet in height shall be constructed in the front yard of any lot and it must maintain a maximum open to closed ratio of 1:1, other than a necessary retaining wall.

§300-103 Building Placement, Orientation, and Frontage.

§300-112 General Sign Standards

C. Sign Height.

(1) Sign ground height shall be measured between grade and the highest point of the highest element of the sign.

(2) Sign height shall be measured between the lowest and highest points of the sign.

§300-113 Signs Permitted and Prohibited

A. Permitted Signs

(2) No lot, structure or use shall have more than one type of sign per façade or lot line with street frontage, unless otherwise approved by the Zoning Board of Appeals by area variance.

B. Signs that Do Not Require a Permit. Expect as provided in this article, the following signs may be erected and maintained per zoning lot without obtaining a sign permit. Each such sign must adhere to the requirements of the sign type and zoning district in which it is located.

(1) Banners. Up to two banners may be permitted per lot or use provided the following conditions are met:

- (a) It shall be displayed for no more than 30 days total, per year;
- (b) It shall not extend above the first floor façade of the building or project beyond property lines;
- (c) It shall not be illuminated; and
- (d) It shall not be placed in such a manner as to impede pedestrian traffic.

(9) Temporary Signs

(10) Residential Rental Signs. Must be building mounted with a ground height of no greater than 6 feet, no greater than 2 feet in depth, unlit, and no greater than 3 square feet in total surface area. A uniform shape and size template will be provided by the City of Cortland. Compliance is required within one year of enactment of this chapter.

§300-114 Sign Type Standards in Residential (R-1, R-2, R-3, R-4) Districts

B. Up to two ground signs may be permitted per lot provided that the following conditions are met:

(1) Maximum Ground Height: 4 feet.

§300-117 Sign Type Regulations in General Business Local (GB-2) and General Business Regional (GB-1) Districts.

C. Pole Signs.

(7) Lots located within 800 feet of the exits of a limited-access highway may be permitted a high-rise sign per the extended area and height requirements listed below, provided that the supports and foundations are designed by a licensed, professional engineer, and that the drawings bear such seal and signature.

§300-152 Access Ramp Variances.

C. The variance granted pursuant to this section shall not run with the land and shall terminate with the need for it.

Section 2. Separability.

If any part of provision of this Local Law or the application thereof to any person or circumstance be adjudged invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, such judgment shall be confined in its operation to the part or provision or application directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment shall have been rendered and shall not affect or impair the validity of the remainder of this Local Law or the application thereof to other persons or circumstances, and the Common Council of the City of Cortland hereby declares that it would have passed this Local Law or the remainder thereof had such invalid application or invalid provision been apparent.

Section 3. Findings.

All ordinances, local laws and parts thereof inconsistent with this Local Law are hereby repealed.

Section 4 Effective Date.

This Local Law shall take effect immediately upon filing in the Office of the New York Secretary of State in accordance with section 27 of the Municipal Home Rule Law.

Agenda Item No. 4

Adopt Local Law No. 10 of the Year 2022: Amending Chapter 74 Relating to the Number of Animals Permitted

WHEREAS, Chapter 74 of the City Code regulates the keeping of animals by City residents; AND

WHEREAS, it is recommended by the Zoning Officer, the Zoning Board of Appeals and the Planning Commission that Chapter 74 be amended to allow residents to house more than the present limits of three dogs or four cats with the acquisition of a permit to be approved by the Common Council after inspection and recommendation by the SPCA; AND

WHEREAS, upon inspection and recommendation by the SPCA, and approval by the Common Council, a permit may be issued allowing pigeons, fowl, horses, cattle, sheep, goats, swine or other domestic or wild animals; AND

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 20 of the Municipal Home Rule Law of the State of New York, a public hearing on said proposed Local Law No. 10 was held on the 4th day of October, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall, 25 Court Street,

Cortland NY; AND

WHEREAS, notice of the time and place of such hearing was published in the official newspaper of the City of Cortland; AND

WHEREAS, the text of the proposed local law was made publicly available in advance of said public hearing; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Common Council approves the adoption of Local Law No. 10 of 2022, amending Chapter 74 of the City Code relating to the number of animals permitted; AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, that the text of the local law shall read as follows:

CITY OF CORTLAND, NEW YORK

LOCAL LAW NO. 10 OF THE YEAR 2022

“AMENDMENT OF ARTICLE §74 RELATING TO NUMBER OF ANIMALS PERMITTED”

Be it enacted by the Common Council of the City of Cortland as follows:

Section 1. Enactment and Title.

§74-1 Permit Required for Keeping or Raising of Certain Animals.

It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to own, harbor, keep, raise or maintain any pigeons, fowl, horses, cattle, sheep, goats, swine, chickens or other domestic or wild animals, as well as cats and dogs, within the limits of the City of Cortland without first obtaining a permit therefor from the Common Council of the City of Cortland. The harboring of dogs or cats shall be allowed with such a permit.

§74-2 Application for Permit.

- A. Any person, firm or corporation desiring to own, harbor, keep, raise or maintain any pigeons, fowl, horses, cattle, sheep, goats, swine or other domestic or wild animals, as well as cats and dogs, shall make an applications in writing to the Common Council of the City of Cortland for a permit. Such application shall state and name the address of the applicant or applicants, a description in metes and bounds of the premises to be used, and shall illustrate by diagram the land and buildings or corral to be used for the keeping and harboring of the animal or animals, with respect to the boundary lines of the applicant’s property and other buildings within said plot or lot, and the relative positions of all other buildings or land immediately adjacent on all sides of the land of the applicant.
- B. Conditions for a Permit.
 - (1) In addition to any other requirements listed under this chapter, an applicant must pass an inspection by the Cortland County S.P.C.A. or other City of Cortland designee. Said inspection shall include a review of the following:
 - a. Whether there is sufficient outdoor area and indoor area, that is deemed both appropriate and adequate for the use at the proposed site; and
 - b. Whether the conditions – which shall include shelter, cleanliness, and availability of food and water – at the proposed site are acceptable for the use.
 - (2) The animals shall not disturb the orderly and reasonable use of adjacent properties;
 - (3) The site shall be particularly suitable for the location of the proposed in the community;

Cortland; AND

WHEREAS, the text of the proposed local law was made publicly available in advance of said public hearing;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Common Council approves the adoption of Local Law No. 11 of 2022, amending Chapter 234 of the City Code relating to sidewalk cafes; AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, that the text of the local law shall read as follows:

CITY OF CORTLAND, NEW YORK

LOCAL LAW NO. 11 OF THE YEAR 2022

“AMENDMENT OF ARTICLE §234 RELATING TO SIDEWALK CAFES”

Be it enacted by the Common Council of the City of Cortland as follows:

Section 1. Enactment and Title.

§234-2 Regulations. All sidewalk cafes must comply with the following general regulations:

E. The tables and chairs must be “outdoor” style furniture.

Section 2. Separability.

If any part of provision of this Local Law or the application thereof to any person or circumstance be adjudged invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, such judgment shall be confined in its operation to the part or provision or application directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment shall have been rendered and shall not affect or impair the validity of the remainder of this Local Law or the application thereof to other persons or circumstances, and the Common Council of the City of Cortland hereby declares that it would have passed this Local Law or the remainder thereof had such invalid application or invalid provision been apparent.

Section 3. Findings.

All ordinances, local laws and parts thereof inconsistent with this Local Law are hereby repealed.

Section 4 Effective Date.

This Local Law shall take effect immediately upon filing in the Office of the New York Secretary of State in accordance with section 27 of the Municipal Home Rule Law.

Agenda Item No. 6

Appoint Hiring Search Committee for the Position of Director of Administration & Finance.

WHEREAS, a proposal has been made to create the position of City Manager and to reorganize certain administrative and executive duties prescribed in the City Charter and City Code to the Director of Administration and Finance and the Mayor; AND

WHEREAS, a legal analysis concludes that such action requires a public referendum; AND

WHEREAS, a proposal to create a City Manager cannot be placed for referendum until November 7, 2023; AND

WHEREAS, it is therefore determined that the City should proceed in hiring a Director of Administration and Finance; AND

WHEREAS, it is in the interest of the City that a hiring search be conducted by a committee of individuals who have experience in public administration, experience in conducting executive-level job searches, representatives

