



**Honorable Mayor and City Council Minutes  
1st Floor Council Conference Room, City Hall  
City of New Rochelle  
Committee of the Whole  
Tuesday, January 13, 2026**

**Call to Order**

**Presentation(s)**

1. Local Safety Action Plan (LSAP)

Adam Salgado, Commissioner, Department of Development, and Jesse Mintz-Roth, Senior Associate, Stantec, accompanied by Seth Kaye, Deputy Commissioner of Development (Planning), and Sarah Spicer, Senior Resiliency Development Manager, reviewed New Rochelle's Local Safety Action Plan, followed by discussion. The presentation included Safe Streets for All, Plan Requirements, Safety Analysis, Engagement and Collaboration, Safe System Approach, and Timeline. (See attached). The presentation was followed by further review and discussion.

2. Participatory Budgeting Overview

Council Member Matthew A. Stern addressed the topic of "Participatory Budgeting Programs" which includes community involvement.

The presentation was followed by discussion regarding the concept, goals for Year 2026, and projects introduced by various cities.

Mayor Ramos-Herbert and the Members of the City Council expressed appreciation for the presentation and proposed plan. (See attached).

**Agenda Review**

**Commendation(s)**

**Public Hearing(s) This Evening**

3. **PUBLIC HEARING - CANCELED (No Hearing Will Be Held) - RE: PROPOSED RESOLUTION AMENDING CONDITION NO. 4 OF CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 129-2010 RE: SPECIAL PERMIT FOR HUDSON COUNTRY MONTESSORI SCHOOL - Resolution amending Condition No. 4 of Resolution No. 129-2010 regarding the Special Permit for Hudson Country Montessori School, pursuant to Article XII Section 331-87 of the New Rochelle Zoning Code. (Intro. 12/2/25; Public Hearing 1/13/26)**

It was noted that the Public Hearing scheduled for this evening has been canceled and will be re-scheduled for Tuesday, February 10, 2026, at 7:00 P.M.

**Department of Buildings**

4. **2026-1** PROPOSED PUBLIC HEARING RE: RESOLUTION AMENDING CONDITION NO. 4 OF CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 129-2010 (SPECIAL PERMIT FOR HUDSON COUNTRY MONTESSORI SCHOOL) - Resolution scheduling a Public Hearing relative to amending Condition No. 4 of Resolution No. 129-2010 regarding the Special Permit for Hudson Country Montessori School, pursuant to Article XII Section 331-87 of the New Rochelle Zoning Code. (Intro. 12/2/25; Original Public Hearing Scheduled 1/13/26; Proposed Rescheduled Public Hearing 2/10/26)

<b>Result:</b>	<b>Adopted, Passed (7 - 0)</b>
<b>Mover:</b>	Council Member, District 5 Kaye
<b>Secunder:</b>	Council Member, District 4 Osinloye
<b>Ayes:</b>	Martha Lopez, Albert A. Tarantino Jr., David Peters, Shane A. Osinloye, Sara R. Kaye, Matthew A . Stern, Yadira Ramos-Herbert
<b>No:</b>	None
<b>Abstain:</b>	None

**Law Department**

**Department of Finance**

5. PROPOSED LOCAL LAW, INTRO NO. 1, PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR VETERANS WITH 100% SERVICE-RELATED DISABILITY — A Local Law, Intro No. 1, Adopting a Property Tax Exemption for Certain Veterans with a One Hundred Percent (100%) Service-Connected Disability, and Amending Article IV, Veterans Alternative Exemption, Section 288-14, Limitation of Exemption, and Section 288-14.1, Cooperative Corporation Exemption, of Chapter 288, Taxation, of the Code of the City of New Rochelle. (Intro. 01/13/2026; Public Hearing 02/10/2026)

<b>Result:</b>	<b>Held</b>
<b>Mover:</b>	None
<b>Secunder:</b>	None
<b>Ayes:</b>	None
<b>No:</b>	None
<b>Abstain:</b>	None

The proposed legislation was ordered held pending the receipt of changes in the law.

6. PROPOSED PUBLIC HEARING RE: PROPOSED LOCAL LAW, INTRO NO. 1, PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR VETERANS WITH 100% SERVICE-RELATED DISABILITY — Resolution directing a Public Hearing on Local Law, Intro No. 1, Adopting a Property Tax Exemption for Certain Veterans with a One Hundred Percent (100%) Service-Connected Disability, and Amending Article IV, Veterans Alternative Exemption, Section 288-14, Limitation of Exemption, and Section 288-14.1, Cooperative Corporation Exemption, of Chapter 288, Taxation, of the Code of the City of New Rochelle.

<b>Result:</b>	<b>Held</b>
<b>Mover:</b>	None
<b>Secunder:</b>	None
<b>Ayes:</b>	None
<b>No:</b>	None
<b>Abstain:</b>	None

The proposed legislation directing Public Hearing was ordered held pending the receipt of changes in the law.

### Department of Public Works

7. PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO CODE OF THE CITY OF NEW ROCHELLE RE: PARKING REGULATION CHANGE (44 WOODBURY STREET) - Ordinance amending Section 312-91, Schedule XX: Handicapped Parking, of Chapter 312, Vehicles and Traffic, of the Code of the City of New Rochelle (44 Woodbury Street).

<b>Result:</b>	<b>Moved to Consent Agenda, Passed (7 - 0)</b>
<b>Mover:</b>	Council Member, District 1 Lopez
<b>Second:</b>	Council Member, District 6 Stern
<b>Ayes:</b>	Martha Lopez, Albert A. Tarantino Jr., David Peters, Shane A. Osinloye, Sara R. Kaye, Matthew A . Stern, Yadira Ramos-Herbert
<b>No:</b>	None
<b>Abstain:</b>	None

Alvaro Alfonzo-Larrain, Commissioner, Department of Public Works, noted that the proposed parking regulation change is the result of a request by a resident.

8. PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO CODE OF THE CITY OF NEW ROCHELLE RE: PARKING REGULATION CHANGES (WESTCHESTER PLACE) - Ordinance amending Section 312-83, Schedule XII: Parking Prohibited at All Times; Section 312-85, Schedule XIV: Time Limit Parking, and Section 312-87, Schedule XVI: No Stopping or Standing, of Chapter 312, Vehicles and Traffic, of the Code of the City of New Rochelle (Westchester Place).

<b>Result:</b>	<b>Held, (7 - 0)</b>
<b>Mover:</b>	Council Member, District 2 Tarantino Jr.
<b>Second:</b>	Council Member, District 3 Peters
<b>Ayes:</b>	Martha Lopez, Albert A. Tarantino Jr., David Peters, Shane A. Osinloye, Sara R. Kaye, Matthew A . Stern, Yadira Ramos-Herbert
<b>No:</b>	None
<b>Abstain:</b>	None

Alvaro Alfonzo-Larrain, Commissioner, Department of Public Works, explained the proposed amendment.

A discussion ensued.

The proposed amendment was ordered held pending the receipt of a report relative to traffic backups as a result of valet parking.

9. PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO CODE OF THE CITY OF NEW ROCHELLE RE: PARKING REGULATION CHANGES (PLAIN AVENUE) - Ordinance amending Section 312-83, Schedule XII: Parking Prohibited at All Times of Chapter 312, Vehicles and Traffic, of the Code of the City of New Rochelle (Plain Avenue).

<b>Result:</b>	<b>Moved to Consent Agenda, Passed (7 - 0)</b>
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<b>Mover:</b>	Council Member, District 5 Kaye
<b>Second:</b>	Council Member, District 6 Stern
<b>Ayes:</b>	Martha Lopez, Albert A. Tarantino Jr., David Peters, Shane A. Osinloye, Sara R. Kaye, Matthew A . Stern, Yadira Ramos-Herbert
<b>No:</b>	None
<b>Abstain:</b>	None

**Department of Parks and Recreation**

10. PROPOSED ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT AWARD FROM THE WESTCHESTER COUNTY YOUTH BUREAU'S 2026-2028 INVEST-IN-KIDS REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL - Ordinance accepting a grant award from the Westchester County Youth Bureau's 2026-2028 Invest-In-Kids Request for Proposal in the amount of \$150,000 relative to STEP University, amending Ordinance No. 198 of 2025, the Budget of the City of New Rochelle for 2026, and appropriating funds therefor.

<b>Result:</b>	<b>Moved to Consent Agenda, Passed (7 - 0)</b>
<b>Mover:</b>	Council Member, District 3 Peters
<b>Second:</b>	Council Member, District 5 Kaye
<b>Ayes:</b>	Martha Lopez, Albert A. Tarantino Jr., David Peters, Shane A. Osinloye, Sara R. Kaye, Matthew A . Stern, Yadira Ramos-Herbert
<b>No:</b>	None
<b>Abstain:</b>	None

Kelly Johnson, Executive Director, Youth Bureau, addressed the receipt of the grant.

11. PROPOSED ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT AWARD FROM THE WESTCHESTER COUNTY YOUTH BUREAU'S 2026-2028 INVEST-IN-KIDS REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL - Ordinance accepting a grant award from the Westchester County Youth Bureau's 2026-2028 Invest-In-Kids Request for Proposal in the amount of \$108,000 relative to the establishment of R.O.D.N.E.Y's Place After School Program for middle school aged boys, amending Ordinance No. 198 of 2025, the Budget of the City of New Rochelle for 2026, and appropriating funds therefor.

<b>Result:</b>	<b>Moved to Consent Agenda, (7 - 0)</b>
<b>Mover:</b>	Council Member, District 1 Lopez
<b>Second:</b>	Council Member, District 4 Osinloye
<b>Ayes:</b>	Martha Lopez, Albert A. Tarantino Jr., David Peters, Shane A. Osinloye, Sara R. Kaye, Matthew A . Stern, Yadira Ramos-Herbert
<b>No:</b>	None
<b>Abstain:</b>	None

Kelly Johnson, Executive Director, Youth Bureau, addressed the receipt of the grant.

12. PROPOSED ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT AWARD FROM THE WESTCHESTER COUNTY YOUTH BUREAU IN CONNECTION WITH THE NEW YORK STATE OFFICE OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES RE: MOMMY & ME SPORT AND FITNESS ACADEMY - Ordinance accepting a grant from the Westchester County Youth Bureau, in connection with the New York State Office of Children and Family Services Youth Sports & Education Funding, in the amount of \$23,000 for the establishment of a Mommy & Me Sport and Fitness Academy, amending Ordinance No. 198 of

2025, the Budget of the City of New Rochelle for 2026, and appropriating funds therefor.

<b>Result:</b>	<b>Moved to Consent Agenda, Passed (7 - 0)</b>
<b>Mover:</b>	Council Member, District 5 Kaye
<b>Second:</b>	Council Member, District 6 Stern
<b>Ayes:</b>	Martha Lopez, Albert A. Tarantino Jr., David Peters, Shane A. Osinloye, Sara R. Kaye, Matthew A . Stern, Yadira Ramos-Herbert
<b>No:</b>	None
<b>Abstain:</b>	None

Kelly Johnson, Executive Director, Youth Bureau, addressed the receipt of the grant.

**Police Department**

**Fire Department**

**Department of Human Resources**

**City Manager**

13. PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CODE OF THE CITY OF NEW ROCHELLE RE: PARTICIPATORY BUDGET STEERING COMMITTEE - Ordinance amending Chapter 9 of the Code of the City of New Rochelle to establish a Participatory Budget Steering Committee (Sponsored by Council Member Matthew Stern).

<b>Result:</b>	<b>Moved to Consent Agenda, Passed (7 - 0)</b>
<b>Mover:</b>	Council Member, District 6 Stern
<b>Second:</b>	Council Member, District 4 Osinloye
<b>Ayes:</b>	Martha Lopez, Albert A. Tarantino Jr., David Peters, Shane A. Osinloye, Sara R. Kaye, Matthew A . Stern, Yadira Ramos-Herbert
<b>No:</b>	None
<b>Abstain:</b>	None

On motion by Council Member Stern, seconded by Council Member Kaye, the proposed legislation was revised to reflect corrections.

**Department of Development**

14. PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 312-62 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF NEW ROCHELLE RE: TWO CLINTON GARAGE VALET-ONLY PERMIT PARKING FACILITY - Ordinance amending Section 312-62, Parking Lots, and Chapter 133, Fees.

<b>Result:</b>	<b>Moved to Consent Agenda, Passed (7 - 0)</b>
<b>Mover:</b>	Council Member, District 4 Osinloye
<b>Second:</b>	Council Member, District 3 Peters
<b>Ayes:</b>	Martha Lopez, Albert A. Tarantino Jr., David Peters, Shane A. Osinloye, Sara R. Kaye, Matthew A . Stern, Yadira Ramos-Herbert
<b>No:</b>	None
<b>Abstain:</b>	None

Adam Salgado, Commissioner, Department of Development, explained the intent of the proposed legislation as outlined in the memo.

Council Member Osinloye complimented the Commissioner of Development relative to the proposed

plan.

15. PROPOSED AUTHORIZATION TO INITIATE LOCAL SAFETY ACTION PLAN PROCESS AND ESTABLISH LOCAL ROAD SAFETY ACTION COMMITTEE - Resolution authorizing the initiation of a Local Safety Action Process and the establishment of a Local Road Safety Committee.

<b>Result:</b>	<b>Moved to Consent Agenda, Passed (7 - 0)</b>
<b>Mover:</b>	Council Member, District 3 Peters
<b>Second:</b>	Council Member, District 5 Kaye
<b>Ayes:</b>	Martha Lopez, Albert A. Tarantino Jr., David Peters, Shane A. Osinloye, Sara R. Kaye, Matthew A . Stern, Yadira Ramos-Herbert
<b>No:</b>	None
<b>Abstain:</b>	None

Adam Salgado, Commissioner, Department of Development, addressed the proposed plan as outlined in the memo.

16. PROPOSED RESOLUTION DECLARING LEAD AGENCY AND ISSUING A POSITIVE DECLARATION RELATIVE TO AMENDMENTS TO ARTICLE XXII, CHAPTER 331-175, DOWNTOWN OVERLAY ZONES, OF THE CITY OF NEW ROCHELLE ZONING CODE AND REVISIONS TO THE CITY'S OFFICIAL ZONING MAP - Resolution Declaring Lead Agency and issuing a Positive Declaration of Environmental Significance and directing that a Supplemental Draft Generic Environmental Impact Statement (SDEIS) be prepared relative to amendments to Article XXII, Chapter 331-175, Downtown Overlay Zones, of the City of New Rochelle Zoning Code and revisions to the City's Official Zoning Map.

<b>Result:</b>	<b>Moved to Consent Agenda, Passed (6 - 0)</b>
<b>Mover:</b>	Council Member, District 4 Osinloye
<b>Second:</b>	Council Member, District 5 Kaye
<b>Ayes:</b>	Martha Lopez, David Peters, Shane A. Osinloye, Sara R. Kaye, Matthew A . Stern, Yadira Ramos-Herbert
<b>No:</b>	None
<b>Abstain:</b>	Albert A. Tarantino Jr.

On motion by Council Member Peters, seconded by Council Member Stern and approved by Council Members Lopez, Tarantino, Peters, Osinloye, Kaye, Stern and Mayor Ramos Herbert, City Council convened in Executive Session: Subject(s): Possible conflict of interest. Subsequent to the Executive Session, Adam Salgado, Commissioner of Development, reviewed the proposed legislation which included a status report. Council Member Tarantino indicated his intention to abstain from voting on certain legislation.

17. PROPOSED LEGISLATION RE: 662 MAIN STREET - EDPL - Resolution authorizing the City Manager or designee to submit a written offer and to take all actions necessary to acquire 662 Main Street (Section 2, Block 460, Lot 46) pursuant to New York State Eminent Domain Procedure Law.

<b>Result:</b>	<b>Moved to Consent Agenda, Passed (6 - 0)</b>
<b>Mover:</b>	Council Member, District 1 Lopez
<b>Second:</b>	Council Member, District 4 Osinloye

<b>Ayes:</b>	Martha Lopez, David Peters, Shane A. Osinloye, Sara R. Kaye, Matthew A . Stern, Yadira Ramos-Herbert
<b>No:</b>	None
<b>Abstain:</b>	Albert A. Tarantino Jr.

A brief discussion relative to the proposed legislation ensued.

18. PROPOSED LEGISLATION RE: 625 NORTH AVENUE PROPERTY- EDPL - Resolution amending Resolution No. 2025-24, adopted February 18, 2025, to revise and correct the appraised valuations for 625 North Avenue, the adjacent Treno Street Lot, and 637 North Avenue (Section 3, Block 998, Lots 17, 19 and 23), and to authorize the issuance of initial condemnation awards pursuant to New York State Eminent Domain Procedure Law

<b>Result:</b>	<b>Moved to Consent Agenda, Passed (6 - 0)</b>
<b>Mover:</b>	Council Member, District 3 Peters
<b>Second:</b>	Council Member, District 6 Stern
<b>Ayes:</b>	Martha Lopez, David Peters, Shane A. Osinloye, Sara R. Kaye, Matthew A . Stern, Yadira Ramos-Herbert
<b>No:</b>	None
<b>Abstain:</b>	Albert A. Tarantino Jr.

## City Council

### Supplemental Item(s)

### Unfinished Business

#### New Business:

January Regular Legislative Meeting, Tuesday, January 20, 2026, at 6:15 P.M.; February Committee of the Whole Session, Tuesday, February 10, 2026, at 3:45 P.M.; February Regular Legislative Meeting, Tuesday, February 17, 2026, at 6:15 P.M.

### Discussion Item(s)

19. CANNABIS SALES TAX REVENUE - Requested by Council Member Sara R. Kaye  
 Council Member Sara R. Kaye addressed the matter of cannabis sales revenue as outlined in the attached memo.  
 It was agreed that proposed legislation relative to cannabis sales revenue, as proposed in the memo, be included on the February Agenda.

### Executive Session

#### Public Hearings 7:00 PM (See list above)

None.

### Citizens to Be Heard

Myriam Decime, 11 Mount Joy Place; Shawn Wayawotski, 25 LeRoy Place; James Killoran, 25 LeRoy Place; Serge Veche, 25 LeRoy Place.

Note: Misspellings/inaccuracies/errors may occur. Address included if provided.

**Adjournment**

On motion by Council Member Kaye, seconded by Council Member Peters, the Committee of the Whole Session was adjourned at 5:55 P.M.

The Public Hearings and Citizens to be Heard portions of the meeting were adjourned at 7:17 P.M.

KIM B. JONES  
City Clerk