

**REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
500 CIVIC CENTER PLAZA
JUNE 1, 2026 @ 6:30 PM**

AGENDA

1. Roll Call
2. Invocation
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Approval of Minutes
5. Approval of Claims Register
6. Visitor Comments - agenda items only*
7. Announcements – Mayor and Council Members
8. Committee Reports
9. Manager’s Message
10. Old Business:
11. New Business:
 - a. Resolution – Approve Local Law # 1 of 2026 Entitled, “Taxation”
 - b. Resolution – Approve Local Law # 2 of 2026 to Override the Tax Levy Limit
 - c. Resolution – Approve the City of Corning’s FY27 Budget
 - d. Resolution – Approve the City of Corning’s FY27 Capital Plan
 - e. Resolution – Adopt the Business Improvement District’s FY29 Property Tax Levies
 - f. Resolution – Accept a Donation from Stephen M. Sorensen
 - g. Resolution – Establish a Public Hearing for Local Law # 3 of 2026 for Consideration Authorizing the Chief of Police to Request and Provide Police Assistance
 - h. Resolution – Authorize the Rounding of Change
 - i. Resolution – Authorize the Acceptance of a Grant for the Purchase of Ten Automated External Defibrillators
 - j. Resolution – Establish a Public Hearing Date for Local Law # 4 of 2026 to Amend Article II of the Charter of the City of Corning Entitled, “Elective and Appointive Officers”
12. Visitor Comments – Any matters**
13. Emergency Matters: Emergency matters are defined as any matter that must be acted upon before the next scheduled City Council meeting.
14. Adjournment

* Answers/concerns will be addressed during the applicable agenda item

** Answers/concerns will be addressed within two (2) weeks in writing or verbally by an authorized official or Department Head

LOCAL LAW #1 OF 2026

A LOCAL LAW AMENDING
CHAPTER 208 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF CORNING
ENTITLED, "TAXATION"
TO INCREASE THE INCOME LIMITS
FOR THE SENIOR CITIZENS EXEMPTION

Motion by Councilmember _____

SECTION 1. LEGISLATIVE INTENT

It is the intent of this local law to increase the income limits for the Senior Citizens Exemption to provide senior citizens with property tax relief.

SECTION 2. AUTHORITY

This local law is adopted pursuant to New York State Real Property Tax Law § 459-c.

SECTION 3. AMENDMENT

The City Council of the City of Corning amends Chapter 208 of the Code of the City of Corning entitled, "Taxation" to repeal §208-1 and §208-2 and replace it with the following language:

§208-1. Purpose.

The purpose of this article is to grant a partial exemption from taxation to the extent of 65% of the assessed valuation of real property which is owned by certain persons with limited income who are 65 years of age or over meeting the requirements set for in §467 of the Real Property Tax Law.

§208-2. Conditions for exemptions.

Real property owned by persons 65 years of age or over shall be exempt from City taxes to the extent of 65% of the assessed valuation subject to the following conditions:

Income Limit	Exemption
\$0.00 to \$32,000	65%
\$32,001 to \$33,000	60%
\$33,001 to \$34,000	55%
\$34,001 to \$35,000	50%
\$35,001 to \$36,000	45%
\$36,001 to \$37,000	40%
\$37,001 to \$38,000	35%
\$38,001 to \$38,900	30%
\$38,901 to \$39,800	25%
\$39,801 to \$40,700	20%
\$40,701 to \$41,600	15%
\$41,601 to \$42,500	10%

\$42,501 to \$43,400	5%
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SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE

This local law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State.

Seconded by Councilmember _____

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**LOCAL LAW #2 OF 2026
A LOCAL LAW AUTHORIZING THE OVERRIDE
OF THE TAX LEVY LIMIT ESTABLISHED
IN GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW §3-C**

Motion by Councilmember _____

BE IT ENACTED by the City Council of the City of Corning as follows:

Section 1.

Legislative Intent: It is the express intention of the City Council to authorize an override of the limitations and prohibitions of General Municipal Law §3-c in order to allow the City Council to exceed the tax levy limits if it decides to increase the FY27 property tax levy beyond the statutory limit.

Section 2.

Authorization: The City Council hereby overrides the tax levy limit for the City of Corning for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027, after completing all required procedures for the adoption of the budget, and authorizes a property tax levy which is greater than the limit calculated pursuant to General Municipal Law §3-c.

Section 3.

Effective Date: This local law shall be effective immediately following a public hearing before the Corning City Council, approval by the Corning City Council, and filing of a certified copy thereof in the office of the City Clerk of the City of Corning, publication and filing thereof in the Office of the Secretary of State.

Seconded by Councilmember _____

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**A RESOLUTION ADOPTING
THE CITY OF CORNING'S
FY27 BUDGET**

By Councilmember _____

WHEREAS, the Corning City Council has met at the time and place specified in the Notice of Public Hearing on the City Manager's FY27 Proposed Budget and heard all persons desiring to be heard thereon.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Manager's Proposed Budget, as summarized below, be adopted:

FUND	APPROPRIATIONS	LESS ESTIMATED REVENUE	AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXES
General	\$ 22,957,274	\$ 13,908,035	\$ 9,049,239
Debt Service	\$ 686,352	\$ 686,352	\$ 0
Water	\$ 1,944,549	\$ 1,944,549	\$ 0
Sewer	\$ 1,681,142	\$ 1,681,142	\$ 0

The adoption of this budget shall constitute an appropriation of the amounts to be raised by taxation therein stated, and a warrant to the City Finance Director to spread and extend such levy upon the current assessment roll and to collect the same.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Manager is hereby authorized to allocate any revenues in excess of expenditures at the end of FY27 to the City's Reserve Funds, and fund required unemployment costs and contractual salary items in excess of the amounts contained in the FY27 Budget from the City's insurance reserve and the reserve for Long-Term Liabilities respectively; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Finance Director is hereby authorized to re-levy all unpaid water and sewer charges, multi-dwelling registration, property maintenance, and fire inspection fees unpaid as of May 31, 2026.

Seconded by Councilmember _____

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**A RESOLUTION ADOPTING
THE CITY OF CORNING'S
FY27 CAPITAL PLAN**

By Councilmember _____

WHEREAS, the City of Corning's capital needs have been outlined for a five-year period and presented as part of the City Manager's FY27 Proposed Budget;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Corning Council hereby adopts the first year of the Proposed Five-Year Capital Improvements Plan.

Seconded by Councilmember _____

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**A RESOLUTION ADOPTING
THE BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT'S
FY27 PROPERTY TAX LEVIES**

By Councilmember _____

WHEREAS, the City of Corning City has established a Business Improvement District (BID) operated by the Corning Intown District Management Association, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, to promote and enhance the downtown district; and

WHEREAS, the BID Plan provides for the levy of special assessments to fund the activities and debt obligations of the BID; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following FY27 Business Improvement District tax levies be adopted:

Purpose	Levy Amount
Enhancements	\$280,000
Centerway Bridge Levy	\$ 12,000
Debt Service Levy	\$ 85,698

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the adoption of these levies shall constitute a warrant to the City Finance Director to spread and extend such levies upon the current assessment roll of the Business Improvement District and to collect the same for the use and benefit of the Corning Intown District Management Association in accordance with the approved BID Plan.

Seconded by Councilmember _____

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Date: June 1, 2026

**RESOLUTION
AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A
DONATION FROM STEPHEN M. SORENSEN**

Motion by Councilmember _____

BE IT RESOLVED that the Corning City Council hereby authorizes the acceptance of a Donation from Stephen M. Sorensen in the amount of \$250.00 to be transfer to Line Item # A0.7620.2230 (Senior Center-Material & Supplies).

Seconded by Councilmember _____

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Dated: June 1, 2026

**A RESOLUTION
TO ESTABLISH A PUBLIC HEARING
FOR THE CONSIDERATION
OF A LOCAL LAW
AUTHORIZING
THE CHIEF OF POLICE TO REQUEST AND PROVIDE
POLICE ASSISTANCE PURSUANT
TO NEW YORK GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW §209-m**

Motion by Councilmember _____

BE IT RESOLVED that the Corning City Council hereby establishes a Public Hearing for Monday, July 6, 2026 at 6:15 pm in the City Council Chambers for a Local Law. "A Local Law to add a new Chapter entitled, "Mutual Aid Authorization" to request and provide police assistance".

Seconded by Councilmember _____

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Dated: June 1, 2026

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING
THE ROUNDING OF CHANGE**

Motion by Councilmember

WHEREAS, the recent discontinuation of penny production by the United States Mint has resulted in the decreased circulation and availability of one-cent coins, creating practical challenges for local governments in providing exact change during cash transactions; and

WHEREAS, the City of Corning must accept cash and all forms of legal tender as payment for real property taxes, fees, and other municipal charges; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the New York State Real Property Tax Law, tax collecting officers are required to collect the precise amount due as set forth in the tax warrant, including any applicable penalties or interest after the interest-free period, and may not arbitrarily waive or alter amounts owed; and

WHEREAS, the collecting officers generally may not accept underpayments of taxes except as specifically authorized by state law, and overpayments must be refunded to the taxpayer; and

WHEREAS, the limited availability of pennies in circulation may make it difficult for local governments to consistently provide exact change to taxpayers and residents making cash payments; and

WHEREAS, the City of Corning recognizes the importance of ensuring that taxpayers are able to make timely tax payments without unnecessary delay or administrative burden; and

WHEREAS, the issuing and mailing of refund checks for nominal amounts of less than five cents would result in administrative and postage costs that exceed the value of the refund itself; and

WHEREAS, the City of Corning finds that providing taxpayers with rounded change, not to exceed four cents above the exact amount owed, constitutes a de minimis expenditure that serves a valid public purpose by promoting administrative efficiency and reducing unnecessary municipal costs.

NOW, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Corning authorizes the practice of rounding up cash change due and owing to taxpayers, residents, and all other payees to the nearest five cents when exact coinage is unavailable; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that amounts due to individuals making cash payments shall be rounded up to the nearest five-cent increment, provided that any overpayment by the City shall not exceed four cents; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this policy shall apply only to cash transactions and shall not affect the calculation of taxes, fees, charges, or other amounts owed.

Adopted this ___ day of ____, 2026.

Seconded by Councilmember _____

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Dated: June 1, 2026

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING
THE ACCEPTANCE OF A GRANT FOR THE PURCHASE OF
TEN AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS**

By Councilmember _____

WHEREAS, the American Heart Association has awarded the City of Corning a grant in the amount of \$13,000 for 10 Automated External Defibrillators;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council hereby authorizes the City Manager to accept the above grant and execute all documents to implement the award.

Seconded by Councilmember _____

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Dated: June 1, 2026

**RESOLUTION
ESTABLISHING A PUBLIC HEARING DATE
FOR LOCAL LAW #4 of 2026 TO AMEND ARTICLE II
OF THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF CORNING
ENTITLED, "ELECTIVE AND APPOINTIVE OFFICERS"**

By Councilmember _____

BE IT RESOLVED that the Corning City Council hereby sets a public hearing date of July 6, 2026, at 6:15 pm in the City Council Chamber for Local Law #4 of 2026 to Amend Article II of the Charter of the City of Corning entitled, "Elective and Appointive Officers".

Seconded by Councilmember _____

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City of Corning, New York
PUBLIC HEARING, MAY 4, 2026

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING HELD MAY 4, 2026, 6:00PM ON LOCAL LAW #1 OF 2026.

Present: Mayor Pam Walker, Deputy Mayor Clark, Councilmembers Coccho, Hunt, Bacalles, Rovner, Paterson, Telehany, Hyde, City Manager Mark Ryckman, City Clerk Mary M. Farmer.

Absent:

Visitors:

Mayor Walker called the Public Hearing to order at 6:15PM on Local Law #1 of 2026. City Clerk Farmer took the roll call.

Mayor Walker opened the hearing to public comment.

With there being no public comments, Mayor Walker declared the hearing closed at 6:16 PM.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED: _____

MARY M. FARMER
CITY CLERK

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City of Corning, New York
REGULAR MEETING, MAY 4, 2026

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD MAY 4, 2026, IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS.

Present: Mayor Pam Walker, Deputy Mayor Jeff Clark, Councilmembers Coccho, Hunt, Bacalles, Rovner, Paterson, Telehany, City Manager Mark Ryckman, City Clerk Mary M. Farmer

Absent:

Mayor Walker called the meeting to order at 6:29 p.m. Clerk Farmer took the roll call and gave the Invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Coccho.

Motion by Councilmember Hunt

Resolved that the minutes of the regular meeting held on April 6, 2026, be approved as furnished to Council members and recorded by the Clerk.

Seconded by Councilmember Paterson (9 Ayes 0 Nays) **ADOPTED**

Motion by Deputy Mayor Clark

Resolved that the bills in the amount of \$304,826.86, be approved by the City Manager, be approved by the City Council, and authorized paid as audited as follows:

ACCOUNT	EXPENSE
General Fund	\$ 147,028.17
CIDMA Enhanced	\$ 8,353.56
CIDMA Garage	\$ 8,860.52
CEATS	\$ 40,348.08
Water Fund	\$ 24,059.96
Sewer Fund	\$ 22,141.57
<u>Capital Fund</u>	<u>\$ 54,035.00</u>
Total	\$ 304,826.86

Seconded by Councilmember Bacalles (9 Ayes 0 Nays) **ADOPTED**

Visitor Comments -- agenda items only*

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Mayor Walker

Moment of Silence:

Without objection, I'd like to ask that we pause here, before the pledge of allegiance, in remembrance of the two extraordinary public servants the City of Corning lost last month: Councilman Frank Muccini and Chief of Police Richard Faulisi. May we be reminded of the concern and care for the people of Corning that guided them in their service, and may we remain appreciative of their legacies of exemplary dedication to the public good. Let us have a moment of silence and reflection.

Announcements:

Mayor Walker

We have had an eventful month since we last met, and I'd like to take a few minutes to recognize and thank a few of the people who are here this evening for their extraordinary efforts on behalf of the City of Corning. I believe that each of these individuals would say that the work I want to recognize them for was just part of the job, and that, too, is evidence of how fortunate we are to have them working on our behalf.

1. During April, the urban forest of Corning grew by more than 50 trees, thanks to the initiative of the Corning Street Tree Project and the Southside Neighborhood Association. I'd like to recognize Kristen and Matt Dellavecchia and Paul Ebeltoft who are usually here at council meetings and the many volunteers of all ages throughout the city who contributed to their efforts to restore Corning's tree canopy. I'd also like to recognize two members of the city staff who offered support and assistance behind the scenes without a lot of fanfare: Public Works Director Joe Tongue and Assistant Director Brian McCarthy. All of these individuals have shown us how the generosity and creativity of a few can inspire us and bring many of us together as a community.

2. Another community-wide effort received special recognition during April: our Comprehensive Plan Update, Vision 2040. Here, I want to give special thanks to Planning and Economic Development Director Jenn Miller for her leadership, expertise, and dedication to an inclusive planning process. Her guidance and tenacity throughout brought us a plan that we can be proud of, and one that earned the New York Planning Federation Comprehensive Plan Award for innovation. Here, too, I want to acknowledge that this was a community-wide effort and express appreciation to Deputy Mayor Clark, Councilmembers Paterson and Hunt, and City Manager Mark Ryckman who sat on the steering committee.

3. Sometimes special effort is required of our city staff under time pressure. We learned late last week that Senator Schumer would be stopping by City Hall for a brief visit. Even though it was brief, it took special coordination and preparation, particularly with regard to security. For this, I want to thank Chief Spaulding for coordinating the necessary arrangements that allowed us to meet briefly with the senator, to build on what has been a positive relationship, and to present our concerns and priorities.

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I should also acknowledge the contributions of Officer Tevon Brown who helped to demonstrate our FirstNet public safety communications system.

4. Other times, special effort is a regular part of doing business. Anyone who has ever conducted businesses with the Office of the City Clerk can see that the women who staff this office make it a priority to provide outstanding service and attention to everyone who approaches them. City Clerk Mary Farmer and Assistant City Clerk Jennifer Schack also do so much more than that. Last week, these two were recognized by the Family Service Society for their volunteerism in support of the people of the City of Corning. So, in recognition of these two special individuals and their noteworthy contributions to our community, I proclaim this week, May 3 through 9, Professional Municipal Clerks Week.

Proclamation

PROFESSIONAL MUNICIPAL CLERKS WEEK

Whereas, the Office of the City Clerk functions as a central source of public information and service, and a clearinghouse for municipal operations, providing invaluable support to elected officials, administrative staff and the community at large, and

Whereas, Corning's City Clerk and Assistant City Clerk work diligently behind the scenes to oversee key functions, as well as serving in the public eye maintaining public trust, and

Whereas, Corning's City Clerks consistently uphold the highest professional standards and go above and beyond the call of duty, responding to urgent needs and providing thoughtful support to all to ensure the effective and efficient operation of City business; and

Whereas, in addition to their exemplary professional conduct, Corning's City Clerks have been recognized for their exceptional volunteer service to the City of Corning; and

Whereas, it is both fitting and proper to recognize the noteworthy accomplishments and dedication of Corning's City Clerks, whose work is essential to the functioning of our government;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved that on behalf of the City of Corning, its residents, administration, and City Council, I do hereby recognize the week of May 3 through 9, 2026, as Professional Municipal Clerks Week, and extend deep appreciation to City Clerk Mary Farmer and Assistant City Clerk Jennifer Schack for their exemplary dedication to the City of Corning.

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Councilmember Bacalles

Staff Excellence: A Remarkable Milestone

We are incredibly proud to highlight Carrie Hale, a teacher at Hugh Gregg Elementary, who recently reached a monumental personal goal. Last month, Ms. Hale completed her 50th half marathon, successfully running one in every single U.S. state. Her journey is a testament to the strength, perseverance, and determination we strive to model for our students.

Athletic Standings and Achievements

Our student-athletes continue to excel in regional and state-level competitions. Current state rankings for the Hawks include:

<i>Sport</i>	<i>Ranking</i>	<i>Note</i>
<i>Softball</i>	<i>#1 in New York State</i>	<i>Class AAA</i>
<i>Boys Lacrosse</i>	<i>#23</i>	<i>State Ranking</i>
<i>Girls Lacrosse</i>	<i>Honorable Mention</i>	<i>State Ranking</i>

Unified Sports and Career Development

Inclusivity remains a cornerstone of our district programming:

- ***Unified Bowling:*** *Concluded a highly successful season last month.*
- ***Unified Basketball:*** *The new season kicks off this Thursday at 5:00 PM with a home game in the CPPHS Field House. We encourage the community to come out and support these athletes.*
- ***Career Exploration:*** *On Friday, April 25th, our HS 8:1:2 class attended the Abilities in Action event at the YMCA. Students explored various local career paths, gaining valuable insight into future opportunities within our own community.*

Upcoming Community Event: The 607 Games

The district is honored to host the Special Olympics (607 Games).

- ***Date:*** *Friday, May 15th*
- ***Location:*** *Corning War Memorial Stadium*
- ***Details:*** *This event brings together athletes from across the region for a day of competition and community spirit. We invite the City Council and the public to join us in cheering on these incredible participants.*

STEM and Innovation

Team Tardis, our local Robotics Club, recently returned from the World Championships where they stood out on a global stage.

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- **The Competition:** Competed against 356 teams from 23 different countries.
- **Representation:** Team Tardis was the sole representative for all of Upstate New York.
- **Results:** Despite facing technical challenges, the team finished with a 5-5 record.

Award: They were honored with 1st place for the *Innovative Design Award*, recognizing their creative approach to engineering and problem-solving.

Scouting America

Charlie and Colin Beck of Scouts BSA Troop 61 recently had their Eagle Scout Ceremony at Grace United Methodist Church.

Committee Reports:

Manager's Message:

Police Chief Kenzie Spaulding shared information about adopting a the "Blue Envelope Program". The Steuben County Sheriff's Office and the Corning Police Department are proud to support this initiative, which is designed to help make traffic stops safer and less stressful for drivers on the autism spectrum using a simple communication tool to keep all of their documents in a readily identifiable blue envelope.

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A PUBLIC HEARING DATE FOR LOCAL LAW #2 OF 2026

Motion by Councilmember Coccho

BE IT RESOLVED that the Corning City Council hereby sets a public hearing date of May 18, 2026, immediately after the Public Hearing on the FY27 Proposed Budget, to hear public comment on Local Law #2 of 2026, "A Local Law Authorizing the Override of the Tax Levy Limit Established in General Municipal Law §3-c."

Seconded by Councilmember Hunt

	AYE	NAY
Coccho	X	
Hunt	X	
Clark	X	
Bacalles	X	
Rovner	X	
Paterson	X	
Telehany	X	
Hyde	X	

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Walker	X	
Totals	9	

(9 Ayes 0 Nays)

ADOPTED

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A DONATION IN THE NAME OF FRIDAY BINGO GROUP

Motion by Councilmember Telehany

BE IT RESOLVED that the Corning City Council hereby authorizes the acceptance of a Donation in the name of the Corning Senior Center Friday Bingo Group in the amount of \$178.00 to Line Item # A0.2705.0000 (Gifts and Donations)

Seconded by Councilmember Bacalles

	AYE	NAY
Coccho	X	
Hunt	X	
Clark	X	
Bacalles	X	
Rovner	X	
Paterson	X	
Telehany	X	
Hyde	X	
Walker	X	
Totals	9	

(9 Ayes 0 Nays)

ADOPTED

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE VENDING WITHIN 120 FEET OF CENTERWAY SQUARE FOR THE CORNING IMPACT FAIR

Motion by Councilmember Hunt

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BE IT RESOLVED that the Corning City Council hereby authorizes vending within 120 feet of the area defined as Centerway square in Section 9(B) of Chapter 158 of the City Code entitled “Peddling and Soliciting” for the following special event:

<u>EVENT</u>	<u>DATE & TIME</u>
Corning Impact Fair	June 9, 2026 @ 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that each event shall be deemed a Special Event in accordance with Chapter 194 of the City Code entitled, “Special Events”.

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Clark

	AYE	NAY
Coccho	X	
Hunt	X	
Clark	X	
Bacalles	X	
Rovner	X	
Paterson	X	
Telehany	X	
Hyde	X	
Walker	X	
Totals	9	

(9 Ayes 0 Nays)

ADOPTED

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE A STREET CLOSING FOR THE CORNING GAFFER DISTRICT FOR A GLASS ART SOCIETY 2026

Motion by Councilmember Rovner

BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council hereby authorizes street closing as follows for the Gaffer District’s Glass Art Society 2026 Event:

Street
Market St (Wall to Tarantelli)

Date & Time:
June 5, 2026 @ 1:00pm to 11:00pm

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Pine St (Market to Burmese) June 5, 2026 @ 1:00pm to 11:00pm
 Tioga Ave (Parking garage to bus stop) June 5, 2026 @ 1:00pm to 11:00pm
 Aurene Ln (Cedar to Walnut) June 5, 2026 @ 1:00pm to 11:00pm
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Glass Art Society 2026 Event be deemed a Special Event in accordance with Chapter 194 of the City Code entitled, "Special Events".

Seconded by Councilmember Hyde

	AYE	NAY
Coccho	X	
Hunt	X	
Clark	X	
Bacalles	X	
Rovner	X	
Paterson	X	
Telehany	X	
Hyde	X	
Walker	X	
Totals	9	

(9 Ayes 0 Nays)

ADOPTED

**A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE
 VENDING WITHIN 120 FEET
 OF CENTERWAY SQUARE
 FOR THE GLASS ART SOCIETY 2026**

Motion by Councilmember Hyde

BE IT RESOLVED that the Corning City Council hereby authorizes vending within 120 feet of the area defined as Centerway square in Section 9(B) of Chapter 158 of the City Code entitled "Peddling and Soliciting" for the following special event:

<u>EVENT</u>	<u>DATE & TIME</u>
Glass Art Society	June 2, 2026 @ 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm June 3, 2026 @ 11:00 am to 8:00 pm June 4, 2026 @ 11:00 am to 8:00 pm June 5, 2026 @ 11:00 am to 10:00 pm

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the event shall be deemed a Special Event in accordance with Chapter 194 of the City Code entitled, "Special Events".

Seconded by Councilmember Paterson

	AYE	NAY
Coccho	X	
Hunt	X	
Clark	X	
Bacalles	X	
Rovner	X	
Paterson	X	
Telehany	X	
Hyde	X	
Walker	X	
Totals	9	

(9 Ayes 0 Nays)

ADOPTED

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE OPEN CONTAINERS DURING THE GLASS ART SOCIETY 2026

Motion By Councilmember Rovner

BE IT RESOLVED that the Corning City Council hereby grants permission for the possession of open containers in public during the Gaffer District's Glass Art Society 2026 in accordance with §62-2 of Chapter 62 of the Code of the City of Corning entitled, "Alcoholic Beverages" with the following conditions:

1. The open container waiver is granted for the Glass Art Society 2026 Event during the following dates and times:

June 5, 2026

4:00pm to 10:00pm

2. The consumption of alcohol will only be allowed in designated areas as approved by the New York State Liquor Authority; and

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3. The City Manager is hereby authorized to submit the required “COVID-19 State of Emergency Municipality Application to Temporarily Extend Licensed Premises to a Municipal Street, Sidewalk, or Other Outdoor Area” and “Licensee Certification for Temporary Extension of Licensed Premises onto Municipal Property” forms to the New York State Liquor Authority; and
4. Each establishment serving alcohol will provide the City with proof of insurance of a comprehensive general liability policy with a minimum of \$1,000,000 coverage for personal injury and \$100,000 property damage, which includes liquor liability coverage and also names the City of Corning as an additional insured.

Seconded by Councilmember Telehany

	AYE	NAY
Coccho	X	
Hunt	X	
Clark	X	
Bacalles	X	
Rovner	X	
Paterson	X	
Telehany	X	
Hyde	X	
Walker	X	
Totals	9	

(9 Ayes 0 Nays)

ADOPTED

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING STREET CLOSINGS FOR THE AMERICAN LEGION'S 2026 MEMORIAL DAY ACTIVITIES

Motion by Councilmember Bacalles

BE IT RESOLVED that the Corning City Council hereby authorizes the following streets to be closed for the American Legion's 2026 Memorial Day Activities:

STREETS

E. First Street (Conhocton to Park)

DATES & TIMES

May 25, 2026 from 10:00am to 12:00pm

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Conhocton Street (Cluthra Lane to E. First) May 25, 2026 from 10:00am to 12:00pm

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council hereby deems the American Legion's 2026 Memorial Day Activities as a Special Event in accordance with Chapter 194 of the City Code entitled, "Special Events".

Seconded by Councilmember Coccho

	AYE	NAY
Coccho	X	
Hunt	X	
Clark	X	
Bacalles	X	
Rovner	X	
Paterson	X	
Telehany	X	
Hyde	X	
Walker	X	
Totals	9	

(9 Ayes 0 Nays)

ADOPTED

**RESOLUTION
AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER
TO ENTER INTO A REVISED
AGREEMENT WITH CORNING INCORPORATED**

Motion by Councilmember Bacalles

WHEREAS, the City of Corning previously entered into an agreement with Corning Incorporated for the procedures necessary when conducting maintain work in the Houghton Plot area; and

WHEREAS, the parties desire to add the War Memorial Stadium property to those procedures;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Corning City Council hereby authorizes the City Manager to enter into a revised agreement with Corning Incorporated for work in the Houghton Plot Study Area which now includes the Stadium.

Seconded by Councilmember Paterson

	AYE	NAY
Coccho	X	

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Hunt	X	
Clark	X	
Bacalles	X	
Rovner	X	
Paterson	X	
Telehany	X	
Hyde	X	
Walker	X	
Totals	9	

(9 Ayes 0 Nays)

ADOPTED

**RESOLUTION
ACCEPTING A CAPITAL GRANT
FROM THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
FOR THE PURCHASE OF REPLACEMENT BUSES**

Motion by Deputy Mayor Clark

WHEREAS, the City of Corning has been awarded a Supplemental Capital Grant through the New York State Department of Transportation, for a term commencing on January 1, 2023, through March 31, 2029, in the amount of \$472,918.11 in Federal 5311 and State Capital funds; and

WHEREAS, these grant funds shall be used to support the Corning-Erwin Transportation System (CEATS) with the purchase of new replacement buses; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Federal Transportation 5311 and State Grant funds provided through the New York State Department of Transportation, in the amount of \$472,918.11 be accepted; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Corning City Council authorizes the City Manager to execute the Grant Agreement and any other documents necessary to implement this grant.

Seconded by Councilmember Paterson

	AYE	NAY
Coccho	X	
Hunt	X	
Clark	X	
Bacalles	X	
Rovner	X	
Paterson	X	

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Telehany	X	
Hyde	X	
Walker	X	
Totals	9	

(9 Ayes 0 Nays)

ADOPTED

**RESOLUTION
SUPPORTING THE PREPARATION AND SUBMISSION
OF A FOR NEW YORK PLACES FOR LEARNING, ACTIVITY, AND YOUTH
SOCIALIZATION (NYPLAYS) GRANT FOR
HILLVUE AND WILLIAM STREET PARKS**

Motion by Councilmember Hunt

WHEREAS, New York State has announced the availability of funding through the New York Places for Learning, Activity, and Youth Socialization (NYPLAYS) grant for playground improvements; and

WHEREAS, this grant opportunity will fund up to 80% of the total eligible project costs; and

WHEREAS, Hillvue and William Street Parks are anticipated to be remediated by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) under the State Superfund Program in 2026; and

WHEREAS, the City would be seeking \$250,000 in grant funds to install new playground with safety surfacing at both parks and committing to \$62,500 in matching funds; and

WHEREAS, the proposed project is consistent with the City of Corning's 2020 Parks Strategy and recently adopted updated Comprehensive Plan; and

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Corning City Council supports the preparation and submission of a NYPLAYS application for Hillvue and William Street Parks; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, upon notification of approval of a grant, the City Manager is authorized to implement the project including entering into and executing all required project documents and agreements with the State of New York for financial assistance.

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Seconded by Councilmember Bacalles

	AYE	NAY
Coccho	X	
Hunt	X	
Clark	X	
Bacalles	X	
Rovner	X	
Paterson	X	
Telehany	X	
Hyde	X	
Walker	X	
Totals	9	

(9 Ayes 0 Nays)

ADOPTED

RESOLUTION

DECLARING THE HILLVUE AND WILLIAM STREET PARK PLAYGROUND ENHANCEMENT PROJECT A TYPE II ACTION UNDER THE STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW ACT (SEQRA)

Motion by Councilmember Paterson

WHEREAS, the City of Corning is applying for funding under the New York Places for Learning, Activity, and Youth Socialization (NYPLAYS) Grant Program for new playground equipment for Hillvue and William Street Parks; and

WHEREAS, the City is required to undertake an environmental review of the project under the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA"); and

WHEREAS, based on a review of the applicable SEQR regulations, the proposed replacement of playground equipment at Hillvue and William Street Parks is classified as an "Type II" action, which requires no further action

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Corning, as Lead Agency, finds based on the facts and information presented, that the proposed replacement of playground equipment at Hillvue and William Street Parks, is considered a Type II action that will not have an adverse impact on the environment; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Manager is authorized to sign all documents pertinent to SEQRA with respect to this project.

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Seconded by Deputy Mayor Clark

	AYE	NAY
Coccho	X	
Hunt	X	
Clark	X	
Bacalles	X	
Rovner	X	
Paterson	X	
Telehany	X	
Hyde	X	
Walker	X	
Totals	9	

(9 Ayes 0 Nays)

ADOPTED

Visitor Comments -- Any matter

sommelier-curated tasting experience.

Emergency Matters:

On a motion made by Councilmember Hunt and seconded by Deputy Mayor Clark, the Council voted to bring forward and place on the agenda under Emergency Matters a resolution declaring the reconstruction of the City parking lot located at the southeast corner of Denison Parkway and Chestnut Street a Type II Action under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQR).

	AYE	NAY
Coccho	X	
Hunt	X	
Clark	X	
Bacalles	X	
Rovner	X	

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Paterson	X	
Telehany	X	
Hyde	X	
Walker	X	
Totals	9	

(9 Ayes 0 Nays)

ADOPTED

**RESOLUTION
DECLARING THE RECONSTRUCTION OF THE
CITY PARKING LOT LOCATED AT THE
SOUTHEAST CORNER OF DENISON PARKWAY AND CHESTNUT STREET
A TYPE II ACTION UNDER THE STATE
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW ACT (SEQRA)**

Motion by Councilmember Hunt

WHEREAS, the City will be reconstructing the City parking lot located on the southeast corner of Denison Parkway and Chestnut Streets; and

WHEREAS, the City is required to undertake an environmental review of the project under the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA"); and

WHEREAS, based on a review of the applicable SEQRA regulations and the scope of the project contained in the proposed construction documents, the reconstruction of the City parking lot involves the maintenance or reconstruction involving no substantial changes in an existing facility or structure, which is a Type II action; and

WHEREAS, Type II actions require no further action.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Corning, as Lead Agency, finds based on the facts and information presented, that the proposed reconstruction of the City parking lot located at the southeast corner of Denison Parkway and Chestnut Street, is considered a Type II action, and that no further review of the project is required under SEQRA; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall be effective immediately and that the City Manager is authorized to sign all documents pertinent to SEQRA with respect to this project.

Seconded by Councilmember Paterson

	AYE	NAY
Coccho	X	
Hunt	X	
Clark	X	

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Bacalles	X	
Rovner	X	
Paterson	X	
Telehany	X	
Hyde	X	
Walker	X	
Totals	9	

(9 Ayes 0 Nays)

ADOPTED

Motion by Councilmember Bacalles to adjourn. Without objection, the meeting was adjourned at 7:23 PM.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED: _____

Mary M. Farmer
City Clerk

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BUDGET WORKSHOP MEETING, MAY 5, 2026

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP HELD MAY 5, 2026, AT 6:00PM IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS.

Present Mayor Pam Walker, Deputy Mayor Clark, Councilmembers Bacalles, Rovner, Paterson, Telehany, Hyde, City Manager Mark Ryckman.

Absent: Deputy Mayor Clark, Councilmembers Coccho, Hunt, Muccini, and ReSue.

Department Heads: City Clerk Mary Farmer and Planning Director Jenn Miller

Visitors:

Mayor Walker called the workshop to order at 6:00PM.

Mayor Walker turned the workshop over to City Manager Mark Ryckman who provided a comprehensive analysis of revenues and expenditures associated with the FY27 Proposed Budget. Manager Ryckman also presented proposed budgets for General Government Expenditures which include City Council, City Manager, City Clerk, Finance, Assessor, and Planning and Economic Development.

With there being no further business before the Council, the workshop was adjourned at 8:05PM, unanimously approved.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED: _____

MARY M. FARMER
CITY CLERK

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BUDGET WORKSHOP MEETING, MAY 7, 2026

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP HELD MAY 7, 2026, AT 6:00PM IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS.

Present: Mayor Pam Walker, Councilmembers Bacalles, Rovner, Paterson, Hyde, and City Manager Mark Ryckman.

Absent: Deputy Mayor Clark, Councilmembers Coccho, Hunt, Telehany

Visitors:

Department Heads: DPW Superintendent Joe Tongue, Finance Director Kyle Wieder, Fire Chief Brad Davies, and Police Chief Kenzie Spaulding.

Mayor Walker called the workshop to order at 6:00PM.

Mayor Walker turned the workshop over to the City Manager who reviewed the proposed FY27 budgets for Public Works, Public Safety, Parks and Recreation and Senior Center .

With there being no further business before the Council, the workshop was adjourned at 7:15PM, unanimously approved.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED: _____

MARY M. FARMER
CITY CLERK

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BUDGET WORKSHOP MEETING, MAY 12, 2026

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP HELD MAY 12, 2026, AT 6:00PM IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS.

Present: Mayor Walker, Deputy Mayor Clark, Councilmembers Hunt, Bacalles, Paterson, Telehany, Hyde and City Manager Mark Ryckman.

Absent: Councilmember Coccho

Visitors:

Department Heads: DPW Superintendent Joe Tongue

Mayor Walker called the workshop to order at 6:00PM.

Mayor Walker turned the workshop over to the City Manager who reviewed the proposed FY27 budgets for Capital Improvements and the Water and Sewer Departments.

With there being no further business before the Council, the workshop was adjourned at 7:54PM, unanimously approved.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

MARY M. FARMER
CITY CLERK

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PUBLIC HEARING, MAY 18, 2026

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING HELD MAY 18, 2026, 6:00PM ON
FY27 BUDGET.

Present: Mayor Pam Walker, Deputy Mayor Clark, Councilmembers Hunt, Bacalles, Rovner,
Paterson, Telehany, Hyde, City Manager Mark Ryckman, City Clerk Mary M. Farmer

Absent: Councilmember Coccho

Visitors:

Mayor Walker called the Public Hearing to order at 6:06 p.m. on Local Law #2 of 2026, "A
Local Law Authorizing the Override of the Tax Levy Limit," and the FY27 Budget.

Mayor Walker opened the hearing for public comment.

With there being no public comments, Mayor Walker declared the hearing closed at 6:07 p.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED: _____

MARY M. FARMER
CITY CLERK

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