

LOCAL LAW NO. 3-95
CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY

AMENDING THE CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE REGARDING
BUDGET REVIEW PROCESS

BE IT ENACTED, by the County Legislature of the County of Chautauqua, New York as follows:

Section 1. Section 15.05 (b) of the Chautauqua County Administrative Code is hereby amended as follows:

Section 15.05 Budget Filing and Legislative Review

(b) Between September 25th and the first Wednesday of October, the standing committees (other than the Finance Committee) of the Legislature may review the portions of the budget which pertain to their respective areas of responsibility with the County Executive and the Budget Director. Between the first Wednesday of October [September 25] and the third Wednesday of October, the Finance Committee of the Legislature will review the budget and any recommendations received from the standing committees with the County Executive and the Budget Director. The Finance Committee and standing committees may require the head of each of any administrative unit or any officer or employee thereof and any authorized agency requesting county funds to appear before it to furnish data and information and to answer inquiries pertinent to such review. Notwithstanding the above, those requesting county funds may submit a written explanation in support of the request for funds to the Finance Committee and the appropriate standing committee with a copy of the statement to the County Executive. The Finance Committee will file a report outlining proposed budget changes with the Clerk of the Legislature on or before 10:00 o'clock a.m. of the third Wednesday in October. Said reports shall immediately be delivered to all County Legislators, the County Executive, and all department heads and agencies involved.

Section 2. Section 15.06 of the Chautauqua County Administrative Code is hereby amended by substitution to read as follows:

Section 15.06 Public Hearing

The date and time of the public hearing on the tentative budget shall be 2:00 p.m. on the fourth Wednesday in October and shall be continued at 7:30 p.m. on the same day, at which time any person may be heard for or against recommendations made by the County Executive or any other comments relevant to the operation and capital budget.

Section 3. The first sentence of the fourth paragraph of Section 15.07 of the Chautauqua County Administrative Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

If the County Executive objects to any one or more of such changed items, he shall append to the budget a statement of the changed items to which he objects setting forth his reasons therefore and shall not later than [10:00 o'clock in the forenoon of] the 10th calendar day following receipt, return and the budget with his objections to the Clerk of the Legislature

who shall present the same to the Legislature at a meeting to be held not later than (1) week thereafter.

Section 4. This Local Law shall become effective forty-five (45) days after adoption, or upon approval by a majority of the qualified electors in the event a permissive referendum is held in accordance with the Municipal Home Rule Law.

Approved by Legislature – January 5, 1995

R/C Vote: 23 Yes; 2 Absent

Public Hearing – January 23, 2008

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