

**CITY OF AMSTERDAM, NEW YORK
COMMON COUNCIL MEETING
DECEMBER 20, 2011
7:30 p.m.**

ORDER OF BUSINESS

- I. Call to Order
- II. Salute to the Flag
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Moment of Silence
- V. Adoption of Agenda
- VI. Proclamations
- VII. Public Participation
- VIII. Communications
- IX. Old Business:
- X. New Business:
 - (a) Resolutions
 - (b) Ordinances:
 - (c) Local Laws:
 - (d) Introduction of Ordinances
 - (e) Introduction of Local Laws:
 - (f) Committee Reports
 - (g) Other: Claims
- XI: Adjournment

Public Hearing 7:20 p.m. Ordinance No. 10 of 2011

RESOLUTIONS

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| 111. RESOLUTION ADOPTING MINUTES | WILLS |
| 112. RESOLUTION APPROVING AUDIT | WILLS |
| 113. RESOLUTION AMENDING BUDGET – FIRE | ISABEL |
| 114. RESOLUTION HONORING HEATHER REYNICKE | FULL COUNCIL |
| 115. RESOLUTION HONORING ALDERMAN WILLS | DEROSS, ISABEL/
LEGGIERO |
| 116. RESOLUTION HONORING ALDERWOMAN PIERCE | DEROSS, ISABEL/
LEGGIERO |

**CITY OF AMSTERDAM, NY
COMMON COUNCIL
DECEMBER 20, 2011**

RESOLUTION #11/12-111

RESOLUTION ADOPTING MINUTES OF THE LAST COMMON COUNCIL MEETING

BY: ALDERMAN WILLS

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Common Council meeting of December 6, 2011, prepared by the Amsterdam City Clerk, are hereby adopted and,

FURTHER RESOLVED, that any changes made by a Council Member to their own remarks, and submitted within two (2) weeks of the passage of this Resolution, shall be incorporated in the minutes of the meeting.

COMMON COUNCIL
City of Amsterdam, NY

	Aye	Nay

Alderman Isabel		
Alderwoman Pierce		
Alderwoman DeRossi		
Alderman Wills		
Alderman Leggiero		

ANN M. THANE, MAYOR

Dated: _____, 2011

**CITY OF AMSTERDAM, NY
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RESOLUTION #11/12-112

RESOLUTION APPROVING AUDIT

BY: ALDERMAN WILLS

RESOLVED, the bills examined by the Common Council and reported herewith as correct and they are, allowed and ordered paid and the City Clerk is authorized and empowered to issue warrants in payment of same.

COMMON COUNCIL
City of Amsterdam, NY

	Aye	Nay
Alderman Isabel		
Alderwoman Pierce		
Alderwoman DeRossi		
Alderman Wills		
Alderman Leggiero		

ANN M. THANE, MAYOR

Dated: _____, 2011

**CITY OF AMSTERDAM, NY
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DECEMBER 20, 2011**

RESOLUTION #11/12-113

RESOLUTION AMENDING BUDGET - FIRE

BY: ALDERMAN ISABEL

WHEREAS, a budget amendment is needed for reimbursement of fire personnel's successful completion of Emergency Medical Technician – Paramedic Recertification from NYS Department of Health,

RESOLVED, the Controller is authorized to amend the budget as follows:

INCREASE REVENUE:

A-14-3099	Bldg. Code & Fire Aid	\$1,500.00
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INCREASE EXPENSES:

A-14-3410-4056	Training	\$1,500.00
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COMMON COUNCIL
City of Amsterdam, NY

	Aye	Nay

Alderman Isabel		

Alderwoman Pierce		

Alderwoman DeRossi		

Alderman Wills		

Alderman Leggiero		

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**CITY OF AMSTERDAM, NY
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RESOLUTION #11/12-114

RESOLUTION HONORING HEATHER REYNICKE

BY: FULL COUNCIL

WHEREAS, Heather Reynicke has served as Controller of the City of Amsterdam since November 2006, and

WHEREAS, during her time in office she brought about changes for the better in the Controller's office including upgrading of the finance software program, and

WHEREAS, during her time in office she has continued her education, earning a 4 year Accounting Degree from Franklin University in May, 2009,

RESOLVED, the City of Amsterdam Common Council, along with the Mayor on behalf of the City residents, thanks Ms. Reynicke for her service and dedication to the City of Amsterdam and wishes her good luck in all future endeavors.

COMMON COUNCIL
City of Amsterdam, NY

	Aye	Nay

Alderman Isabel		

Alderwoman Pierce		

Alderwoman DeRossi		

Alderman Wills		

Alderman Leggiero		

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RESOLUTION #11/12-115

RESOLUTION HONORING ALDERWOMAN JULIE PIERCE

BY: ALDERWOMAN DEROSI AND ALDERMEN ISABEL AND LEGGIERO

WHEREAS, Alderwoman Julie Pierce faithfully served the Second Ward of the City of Amsterdam during her 2 year term as Alderperson, and

WHEREAS, while her term on the Council was short Alderwoman Pierce she made her presence known on many issues and was a dedicated member of the City Council, and

WHEREAS, Alderwoman Pierce served on the Insurance, Personnel and Intergovernmental Services Committees as well as being the liaison to the Amsterdam Housing Authority,

RESOLVED, the City of Amsterdam Common Council, along with the Mayor on behalf of the City of Amsterdam, thanks Alderwoman Pierce for her service and dedication to the City of Amsterdam and wishes her good luck in all future endeavors.

COMMON COUNCIL
City of Amsterdam, NY

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>
<u>Alderman Isabel</u>		
<u>Alderwoman DeRossi</u>		
<u>Alderman Leggiero</u>		

ANN M. THANE, MAYOR

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RESOLUTION #11/12-116

RESOLUTION HONORING ALDERMAN WILLIAM D. WILLS

BY: ALDERWOMAN DEROSI AND ALDERMEN ISABEL AND LEGGIERO

WHEREAS, Alderman Wills faithfully served the residents of the Fourth Ward as Alderman for the past 12 year, and

WHEREAS, Alderman Wills has served as Deputy Mayor as well as Chairman of several committees including, Audit, Finance, Public Safety and Transportation to name a few, and

WHEREAS, Alderman Wills' contributions are too multitudinous to list,

RESOLVED, the City of Amsterdam Common Council, along with the Mayor on behalf of the City of Amsterdam, thanks Alderman Wills for his dedication and service to the City of Amsterdam and wishes him good luck in his future endeavors.

COMMON COUNCIL
City of Amsterdam, NY

	Aye	Nay
Alderman Isabel		
Alderwoman DeRossi		
Alderman Leggiero		

ANN M. THANE, MAYOR

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**CITY OF AMSTERDAM, NEW YORK
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DECEMBER 6, 2011**

**ORDINANCE NUMBER 2011-10
AN ORDINANCE REVISING CITY CODE CHAPTER 219- – TOWING**

BY: ALDERMAN ISABEL

The City of Amsterdam, in Common Council convened, does hereby,
ORDAIN AND ENACT as follows:

Chapter §219 “Towing” of the code of the City of Amsterdam is hereby amended as indicated below underlined material is added:

§Chapter 219-1 Towing Fees:

- A. Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.: \$80.
- B. Monday through Friday nights, 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m.: \$100.
- C. Weekend rate, Friday 5:00 p.m. through Monday 8:00 a.m.: \$90.
- D. Surcharge. A \$25.00 surcharge will be levied on all tows resulting from violating any provision of: the Amsterdam City Code, a declared state of emergency, or New York State Statute. Said surcharge will be collected by the tow service and paid to the City of Amsterdam within 30 days of collection. No tow service shall release any vehicle until they have collected the surcharge and issued a receipt to the payee.

§ Chapter §219-2 “Storage Fees”:

- A. There will be no storage fees in the first 24 hours on weekdays.
- B. Daily storage fee: \$50. This fee shall also apply to any vehicle held on City of Amsterdam property at the direction of the Amsterdam Police Department or any other city department as a result of violating any provision of: the Amsterdam City Code, a declared state of emergency, or New York State Statute.
- C. If a vehicle is towed on Friday or a weekend, there will be no storage fees until after the first full business day.
- D. Surcharge. A storage surcharge of \$25 will be levied on all vehicle storage resulting from violating any provision of: the Amsterdam City Code, a declared state of emergency, or New York State Statute. Said surcharge will be collected by the storage facility and paid to the City of Amsterdam within 30 days of collection. No storage facility shall release any vehicle until they have collected the surcharge and issued a receipt to the payee.

§219-3. Required equipment for towers.

A tow service must have a flatbed and wheel lift tow truck equipped with tow chains, a fire extinguisher, broom and shovel, as well as lock-out tools.

§219-4. Towing insurance.

A tow service must have a towing insurance policy in the amount of \$1,000,000 for overall coverage. Yearly verification of policy renewal must be presented to the City Clerk.

§219-5. Response time.

Response time shall be as follows:

- A. Days: 15 minutes.
- B. Nights: 25 minutes.
- C. Towers must be available 24 hours a day.

§219-6. Copies of tow fees.

A tow service must submit copies of on-call tow fees charged and surcharges collected upon request.

§219-7. Maintenance of crash site.

Debris at a crash site must be cleaned pursuant to New York State Vehicle and Traffic Law.

§219-8. On-call tow service.

An on-call tow service must be a New York State registered repair shop.

§219-9. Gas.

A gas can for motorists must be available, and a vehicle should not be towed if out of gas. The fee shall be \$35 for days and \$45 for nights.

§219-10. Flat tires.

The tow service will change flat tires for motorists instead of towing. The fee shall be \$35 for days and \$45 for nights.

§219-11. Tow service not available.

When the on-call tow service is not available, the tow will go to the next on-call operator on the City tow list.

§219-12. Additional charges.

In the event of an unusual towing situation such as cargo dumped on the roadway, vehicle in the river or over an embankment, which would require extra labor, the tow operator will be allowed to charge for the additional labor and time at going local rates.

§219-13. Proof of insurance and registration.

Upon passage of these rules by the Common Council, City tow operators will be required to provide copies of insurance documents to comply with §219-4 above, proof that the tow service is a New York State registered repair shop, and copies of New York State registration documents for the tow vehicles required.

This Ordinance shall take effect pursuant to Section C33 of the Charter.

COMMON COUNCIL
City of Amsterdam, NY

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Alderwoman Pierce		
Alderwoman DeRossi		
Alderman Wills		
Alderman Leggiero		

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Dated _____, 2011