

# MEDIA ADVISORY

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SUFFOLK LEGISLATURE

## COMMITTEE WEEK AGENDA HIGHLIGHTS

March 16-19, 2009

Unless otherwise noted, meetings are held at the William H. Rogers Legislature Building, Hauppauge

### HOT TOPICS

1. **Marcelo Lucero's Law** (Committee Vote Thursday)
2. **Community College Agreement** (Committee Vote Wednesday)
3. **Authorizing Workforce Reductions** (Committee Vote Tuesday)
4. **Fire Hydrant operability and water pressure levels** (NO Committee Vote This Week, Public Hearing at March 24<sup>th</sup> General Meeting)
5. **Sunday Bus Service** (Committee Vote Tuesday)

### VETERANS & SENIORS COMMITTEE – Monday, 11:30 a.m.

**Presentations:** George Gatta, Interim President, Suffolk County Community College; Lori Ann Taggart, Intergovernmental Relations Coordinator; Kate Rowe, College Dean or Enrollment management Assistant Professor Thomas Coleman, Veterans Club Advisor; to discuss New GI Bill Benefits, Tom Ronayne, Director, Veterans Services Agency, Holly Rhodes-Teague, Director, Office for the Aging

### BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE – Tuesday, 10:00 a.m.

**Presentation:** Director of the Legislative Budget Review Office Gail Vizzini and the Executive Budget Office will discuss the budget model; size of the budget shortfall; contributing factors; and up to date information on the economy

**IR 1105** \$500k to Fight Violent Street Crime and Gang Activity (Cooper)

**IR 1205** Enhancing Administrative budget deficit control [authorizing workforce reductions] (Co. Exec.)

**IR 1206** To suspend publication of newsletters (Pres. Off.)

### CONSUMER PROTECTION COMMITTEE – Tuesday, 1:00 p.m.

**Presentation:** Patrick Byrnes (Financial Advisor and President of Nesconset Sachem Civic Association)

Buyer Beware: "Commodity Investment in Gold"

**IR 1030** A Local Law to increase the Application Fee for Dry-Cleaning Establishments (Lindsay)

### PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE – Tuesday, 2:00 p.m.

**Presentations:** by DPW on Interim Bus Study; Presentation on Alternative Fuels- Joe Darling, New York State DOT, Alternative Fuels

**IR 1201** - Directing the Department of Public Works to hold public hearings on new bus fares in order to implement Sunday bus service. (Schneiderman)

### WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE – Wednesday, 10:00 a.m.

**Presentation:** Jill Rosen-Nikoloff, the Suffolk County Director of Affordable Housing, will update the Committee on the County's 72-h Program and her Department's recently completed report detailing the status of all the 72-h properties within each of Suffolk's 10 Towns.

**IR 1976-08** to reform and reconstitute a professional independent Suffolk County Ethics Commission. (Montano)

**IR 2248-08** to promote corporate sponsorship or sale of naming rights of suitable County facilities, parks, or roads. (D'Amaro)

**IR 1006** Directing the County Attorney to commence a sales tax enforcement action against Shinnecock Indian Reservation Smoke Shops. (Browning)

### PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE – Wednesday, 1:00 p.m.

**IR 1203** Modifying the investment objective for the Vanderbilt Museum Endowment Trust Fund to preserve the \$8.2 million corpus while maximizing income to provide for the future revenue needs of the museum. (Lindsay)

**ECONOMIC DEVEL., HIGHER EDUCATION & ENERGY COMMITTEE** – Wednesday, 10:00 a.m.

**IR 1204** Approving new operating agreement between Suffolk County and SCCC (Horsley)

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE** – Thursday, 9:30 a.m.

**Presentations:** Ms. Gail D'Ambrosio, SC Probation Officers Association: Firearms Training; Mr. John Desmond, Probation Director: Firearms Training

**IR 1102** – to increase civil penalties for acts of bias in Suffolk County (Marcelo Lucero's Law) (Horsley)

**IR 1122** - to ensure fire hydrant operability and safe water pressure levels in Suffolk County. (Eddington)

Full Committee Week Schedule and Text of resolutions is available online at [www.suffolkcountyny.gov/legis](http://www.suffolkcountyny.gov/legis)

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