LEGAL NOTICE CITY OF ONEIDA LOCAL LAW NO. 7 of 2025

The Common Council of the City of Oneida, Madison County, State of New York, pursuant to the authority vested in it by law does hereby enact Local Law No. 7 of 2025 amending Section 12.2 of the City Charter to require a supermajority vote of the Common Council to remove the City Manager as follows:

CITY OF ONEIDA

A Local Law Amending Section 12.2 of the Oneida City Charter to Require a Supermajority Vote of the Oneida City Common Council to Remove the City Manager

Be it enacted by the Common Council of the City of Oneida as follows:

Section 1. Legislative Intent

The Common Council of the City of Oneida does hereby find that the position of City Manager serves as the Chief Executive Officer of the City, charged with overseeing daily operations, implementing Council policy, and ensuring continuity in the administration of public services. To safeguard the stability and professional integrity of the office of City Manager, and to insulate it from undue political influence, it is the intent of this Local Law to require a two-thirds (2/3) supermajority vote of the Common Council to remove the City Manager.

Section 2. Amendment to Section 12.2 of the City Charter

Section 12.2 of the City Charter of the City of Oneida is hereby amended to read, in its entirety, as follows:

"§12.2 Removal.

The City Manager may be suspended or removed by a resolution approved by the City Council which shall set forth the reasons for the proposed suspension or proposed removal. A copy of such resolution shall be served immediately upon the City Manager. The City Manager shall have 15 days in which to reply thereto in writing, and upon request, shall be afforded a public hearing, which shall occur no less than 10 days nor more than 15 days after such hearing is requested. After the public hearing, if one be requested, and after full consideration, the City Council by a vote of no less than two-third (2/3) of the whole number of the City Council may adopt a final resolution of suspension or removal."

Section 3. Severability

If any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this Local Law shall be adjudged by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such judgment shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part thereof directly involved in the controversy.

Section 4. Effective Date

This Local Law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State in accordance with the provisions of the New York State Municipal Home Rule Law.

SANDRA L. LAPERA City Clerk Adopted December 4, 2025