



Court Facilities Capital Review Board

April 21, 2026 Meeting

Agenda

- Approval of 9/25/25 Meeting Minutes (Vote)
- Counsel's Report
 - Update on Capital Plan Solicitations
 - 7 Priority Political Subdivisions
 - 32 Secondary Political Subdivisions
 - 78 Suitable and Sufficient Political Subdivisions



Agenda (part 2)

- Board Discussion and Action Items (Vote)
 - City of Jamestown – Approval of Capital Plan Amendment
 - City of Ogdensburg – Approval of Capital Plan Amendment
 - Albany County – Approval of Capital Plan Amendment
 - Cattaraugus County – Approval of Capital Plan Amendment
 - Clinton County – Approval of Capital Plan Amendment
 - Nassau County – Approval of Capital Plan Amendment
 - Niagara County – Approval of Capital Plan Amendment
 - Sullivan County – Approval of Capital Plan Amendment
 - Ulster County – Approval of Capital Plan Amendment



Agenda (part 3)

- Update on Priority Political Subdivisions
 - City of Albany
 - City of Auburn
 - City of Buffalo
 - City of Lackawanna
 - City of Poughkeepsie
 - City of Rye
 - City of Schenectady
- Update on New York City Capital Work
 - Harlem Community Justice Center
 - Bronx Family/Criminal Court
 - Staten Island Family Court
 - Brooklyn Civil Court
 - New York County Supreme Court – Civil Term



Counsel's Report



Capital Plan Solicitations (At a glance)

- There are a total of 119 political subdivisions with court facilities.
- Fourteen (14) political subdivisions were sent letters in Nov./Dec. 2024. These cities/counties had either chronic problems or had ongoing/past capital work that needed to be approved. Six (6) capital plan amendments have been approved by the Board.
- We solicited sixty-one (61) additional political subdivisions to engage them in providing us with updated capital plans.
- Forty-three (43) remaining political subdivisions were not sent a solicitation letter. Their facilities are suitable and sufficient.



Counsel's Report – 14 Priority Political Subdivisions

Political Subdivision	Judicial District	Date Solicited	Capital Plan?	FDCAJ Recommendation	UCS Assessment of Deficiencies
Greene County	3rd	11/27/2024	YES	Board approved	Windows/Doors, Insufficient Space, Elevators, Heating/Cooling; Construction underway to address space concerns
City of Watertown	5th	11/27/2024	YES	Board approved	Insufficient Space
City of Mount Vernon	9th	12/2/2024	YES	Board approved	Windows/Doors, Parking, Leaking Roof, Elevator(s)
Steuben County	7th	11/27/2024	YES	Board approved	Former renovations and alterations made in 2021 need to be approved after-the-fact
City of Middletown	9th	12/2/2024	YES	Board approved	Insufficient Space
Dutchess County	9th	12/2/2024	YES	Board approved	Structural Deficiency, Mold, Parking, Insufficient Space, Heating / Cooling, Parking, Elevator(s)



Counsel's Report - 14 Priority Political Subdivisions

Political Subdivision	Judicial District	Date Solicited	Capital Plan?	FDCAJ Recommendation	Comments	UCS Assessment of Deficiencies
Niagara County	8th	11/27/2024	YES	Board vote		Insufficient Space (additional judicial appointment); Safety-Related Concerns, Outdated Design/Configuration
City of Albany	3 rd	11/27/2024	NO	Continued UCS engagement	Met with City on 4/16/26	Mold, Parking, Elevators, Leaking Windows, Insufficient Space/Split Location(s)
City of Schenectady	4th	11/27/2024	NO	Continued UCS engagement	Provided City with space needs assessment	Insufficient Space (need additional chambers)/ Split Location(s), Space Configuration Insufficient
City of Auburn	7th	11/27/2024	NO	Continued UCS engagement	Met with City on 4/20/26	Parking, Insufficient Space, Heating/Cooling



Counsel's Report - 14 Priority Political Subdivisions

Political Subdivision	Judicial District	Date Solicited	Capital Plan?	FDCAJ Recommendation	Comments	UCS Assessment of Deficiencies
City of Buffalo	8th	11/27/2024	NO	Continued UCS engagement	Met with City on 4/9/26	Structural Deficiencies, Mold, Windows/Doors, Leaks, Security or Perimeter Access, Building Exterior/Façade, Elevator(s), Safety, Heating/Cooling, ADA Noncompliance
City of Lackawanna	8th	11/27/2024	NO	Continued UCS engagement	Met with City on 3/24/26	Insufficient space, roof, heating / cooling
City of Rye	9th	12/2/2024	NO	Continued UCS engagement	Met with City on 1/21/26	Windows / Doors, Insufficient Space, Security or Perimeter Access, ADA noncompliance
City of Poughkeepsie	9th	12/2/2024	NO	Continued UCS engagement	Met with City on 2/9/26	Windows/Doors, Insufficient Space



32 Secondary Political Subdivisions

- 61 political subdivisions were sent letters in February / March 2025. The deficiencies highlighted in the letters ranged from insufficient space, leaking roofs, insufficient heating and cooling, the need for elevator renovation, structural deficiencies, and other problems.
- 29 political subdivisions have responded to our letters and have addressed the issues that we highlighted. Some now have facilities that are considered suitable and sufficient, and some are working on future capital plan amendments.



32 Secondary Political Subdivisions

- Our facility managers, District Executives, and other staff have been in touch with the cities and counties.
- We continue to engage with the political subdivisions and anticipate that submission of capital plan amendments will be forthcoming for Board review and approval at future meetings later this year.



78 Suitable and Sufficient Political Subdivisions

- Forty-three (43) cities and counties were not sent a letter from First Deputy Chief Administrative Judge because their facilities were deemed suitable and sufficient.
- Twenty-nine (29) political subdivisions responded to our letters and have addressed the issues that we highlighted.
- Six (6) capital plan amendments from political subdivisions on the Priority List have been approved by the Board.



Board Action Items



City of Jamestown – Capital Plan Documents

- City of Jamestown submitted a capital plan amendment regarding the roof and façade rehabilitation project funded through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) and administered by the City’s Department of Public Works.
- Project included full replacement of the roof and structural reinforcement of the exterior façade which commenced in Fall 2024 and was completed in Winter 2025.



City of Ogdensburg – Capital Plan Documents

- City of Ogdensburg submitted a capital plan amendment regarding window replacement and HVAC upgrade projects. The City will be utilizing municipal capital funding for these projects.
- Window replacement project includes 28 total windows throughout City Hall (including court-occupied areas) and is anticipated in 2027 with an estimate of \$240,500.
- HVAC upgrade project includes replacement/upgrading the heating and cooling system serving court-occupied spaces and is anticipated in 2028 with an estimate of \$65,000.



Albany County – Capital Plan Documents

- Albany County submitted a capital plan amendment providing an additional 8,438 sq ft of space for court operations (7,207 sq ft in the basement and 1,231 sq ft on the fourth floor). Albany County submitted a supplemental letter providing an additional 2,179 sq ft in the Sub-Basement, for a total of 10,617 sq ft.
- UCS currently occupies 70,565 sq ft in the building located at 16 Eagle Street, and the County has offered an additional 10,617 sq ft to increase the total space occupied by UCS in the building to 81,182 sq ft.



Cattaraugus County – Capital Plan Documents

- Cattaraugus County submitted a capital plan amendment providing an additional 942 sq ft of space for court operations.
- The additional space will be used for the Commissioner of Jurors and Chief Clerks.
- UCS currently occupies 10,209 sq ft in the Little Valley building, and the County has offered an additional 942 sq ft to increase the total space occupied by UCS in the building to 11,151 sq ft.



Clinton County– Capital Plan Documents

- Clinton County submitted a capital plan amendment providing an additional 968 sq ft of space for court operations.
- The additional space will be used for office space, potential conference space, and additional support areas.
- UCS currently occupies approximately 1,232 sq ft on the second floor of the building at 72 Clinton Street and the County has offered an additional 968 sq ft to increase the total space occupied by UCS on the second floor of the building to 2,200 sq ft.



Nassau County – Capital Plan Documents

- Nassau County submitted a capital plan amendment regarding the Matrimonial Center at 101 County Seat Drive, a three-story structure with an additional level below grade and measures approximately 271,000 sq ft. The Family Court has a total of 23 courtroom and hearings rooms and 11 judicial chambers; the Matrimonial Center consists of 14 courtrooms and 10 judicial chambers; and there are three separate paths of circulation for public, private, and secure.



Nassau County – Capital Plan Documents

- Nassau County submitted a capital plan amendment with three capital improvement projects at the Supreme Court located at 100 Supreme Court Drive in Mineola:
 - Parking Field 14 and South Road improvements for \$13 million,
 - Supreme Court loading dock rehabilitation for \$7.5 million, and
 - Supreme Court elevator rehabilitation and modernization for \$5.525 million.



Niagara County – Capital Plan Documents

- Niagara County submitted a capital plan amendment providing an additional 1,456 sq ft of space for court operations.
- The additional space will be used for magistrate chambers, courtroom, clerk space, and file storage.
- The County has offered to increase the total space occupied by UCS in the building to 43,857 sq ft.



Sullivan County – Capital Plan Documents

- Sullivan County submitted a capital plan amendment providing an additional 4,000 sq ft of space for court operations.
- The additional space will be used for additional conference rooms, properly designed and designated male and female security locker rooms, expanded and more efficient holding areas, and establishment of a dedicated hearing room.
- UCS currently occupies 24,800 sq ft in the building located at 414 Broadway in Monticello, and the Court has offered an additional 4,000 sq ft to increase the total space occupied by UCS in the building to 28,800 sq ft.



Ulster County – Capital Plan Documents

- Ulster County submitted a capital plan amendment regarding fascia/exterior repair/roof replacement and parking lot drainage projects. The County utilized municipal bonds for these projects.
- Fascia/exterior repair/roof replacement project included full roof replacement, replacing downspouts, comprehensive restoration of Cupola, window sash removal and restoration, replacement of single-pane windows, and reconstruction of northwest exterior stairs, completed in December 2023 for a total project cost of \$6,115,000.
- Parking lot drainage project included installation of six dry wells and new piping to expand the existing system, backfilling, grading, and re-striping of parking lot pavement, completed May 2023 for a total project cost of \$182,600.



Update on New York City Capital Work



New York City – Capital Work

- Harlem Community Justice Center
 - Department of Design and Construction **Façade/Roofing Project**. \$40 million project cost. Construction is ongoing and will conclude
 - DCAS Second Floor Court Room **Ceiling Restoration Project** has been completed. \$1.4 million project cost.
 - The next step is to complete a preservation-focused study of the interior spaces. The study will guide planned renovations to the first floor and other areas to create community spaces for youth and seniors.



New York City – Capital Work

- Bronx Family/Criminal Court – 900 Sheridan Avenue
 - OCA met with First Deputy Mayor Dean Fuleihan and Corporation Counsel Steve Banks on March 18, 2026 regarding our capital project priorities in NYC. We highlighted the need for a new Family Court in the Bronx as the current building lacks sufficient space, has chronic roof leaks, flooding, broken elevators, and accessibility issues.
 - We would like the City to consider 878 Brook Avenue (former Bronx borough Courthouse) as a new location for the Family Court.



New York City – Capital Work

- Staten Island Family Court – 100 Richmond Terrace and 18 Richmond Terrace
 - New Family Court facility with 8 hearing rooms and 8 courtrooms, covering 125,000 square feet, to consolidate current Family Court operations which are fragmented at three different building locations. Projected to be \$300 million. New site construction to begin May 2026. Project to be completed in 2030.
- Brooklyn Civil Court – 210 Joralemon Street
 - Complete gut renovation to create a space that houses all of Brooklyn Civil Court with 34 courtrooms on 9 floors, covering 300,000 square feet. Project cost: \$250 million. Project completion date: Early 2027
- New York County Supreme Court (Civil Term) – 60 Centre Street
 - Phase 1 project scope: Complete rehabilitation of the roof and façade within the confines of NYC landmark rules. The repair includes waterproofing, replacing guard rails, repairing waterproofing at the foundation walls, replacing damaged door and window supports. Phase 1 project cost: \$103 million
 - Phase 2 project scope: DASNY project to upgrade interior spaces, improve circulation, renovate courtrooms and offices, upgrade mechanical systems, and to improve ADA accessibility. Phase 2 project cost: \$390 million



