



Court Facilities Capital Review Board

September 15, 2026 Meeting

Agenda

- Approval of 4/21/26 Meeting Minutes (Vote)
- Public Hearing
- Adoption of Resolution and Written Procedures pursuant to Public Officers Law §103-a
- Counsel's Report
 - Court Facilities Capital Review Board background and overview
 - Update on Capital Plan Solicitations
 - 7 Priority Political Subdivisions
 - 29 Secondary Political Subdivisions
 - 82 Suitable and Sufficient Political Subdivisions



Agenda (part 2)

- Board Discussion and Action Items (Vote)
 - City of Long Beach – Approval of Capital Plan Amendment
 - Chatauqua County – Approval of Capital Plan Amendment
 - Chemung County – Approval of Capital Plan Amendment
 - Genesee County – Approval of Capital Plan Amendment
 - Livingston County – Approval of Capital Plan Amendment
 - Suffolk 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. Seven (7) 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)



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Political Subdivision	Judicial District	Date Solicited	Capital Plan?	FDCAJ Recommendation	Comments	UCS Assessment of Deficiencies
Niagara County	8th	11/27/24	YES	Board vote		Insufficient Space (additional judicial appointment); Safety-Related Concerns, Outdated Design/Configuration
City of Albany	3 rd	11/27/24	NO	Continued UCS engagement	OCA met with City on 5/20/26, 3 rd JD met with City on 9/1/26	Mold, Parking, Elevators, Leaking Windows, Insufficient Space/Split Location(s)
City of Schenectady	4th	11/27/24	NO	Continued UCS engagement	OCA met with City on 6/29/26 and 8/21/26	Insufficient Space (need additional chambers)/ Split Location(s), Space Configuration Insufficient
City of Auburn	7th	11/27/24	NO	Continued UCS engagement	OCA met with City on 4/20/26 and 8/25/26	Parking, Insufficient Space, Heating/Cooling



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Political Subdivision	Judicial District	Date Solicited	Capital Plan?	FDCAJ Recommendation	Comments	UCS Assessment of Deficiencies
City of Buffalo	8th	11/27/24	NO	Continued UCS engagement	OCA met with City on 5/8/26 and 7/27/26	Structural Deficiencies, Mold, Windows/Doors, Leaks, Security or Perimeter Access, Building Exterior/Façade, Elevator(s), Safety, Heating/Cooling, ADA Noncompliance
City of Lackawanna	8th	11/27/24	NO	Continued UCS engagement	OCA with City on 5/27/26 and 8/11/26	Insufficient space, roof, heating / cooling
City of Rye	9th	12/2/24	NO	Continued UCS engagement	OCA met with City on 6/16/26 and 8/10/26	Windows / Doors, Insufficient Space, Security or Perimeter Access, ADA noncompliance
City of Poughkeepsie	9th	12/2/24	NO	Continued UCS engagement	City advised only viable option is to plan for and locate a new property	Windows/Doors, Insufficient Space



29 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.
- 32 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.



29 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.



82 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.
- Thirty-two (32) political subdivisions responded to our letters and have addressed the issues that we highlighted.
- Seven (7) capital plan amendments from political subdivisions on the Priority List have been approved by the Board.



Board Action Items



City of Long Beach – Capital Plan Documents

- City of Long Beach submitted a capital plan amendment providing an additional 453 sq ft of space on the second floor of One West Chester Street in Long Beach previously occupied by the Long Beach Volunteer Fire Department. The additional space enhances court operations by providing office space for the court attorney, a kitchenette, modest expansion of the clerical area, and establishes a female court officer locker room.
- This additional space will increase the total space occupied by UCS in the building to 8,750 sq ft.



Chatauqua County – Capital Plan Documents

- Chatauqua County submitted a capital plan amendment providing an additional 764 sq ft of space for court operations on the third floor of the Gerace Office Building located at 3 N. Erie Street in Mayville. The additional space will enhance court operations by providing office space for court reporter staff.
- The additional space will increase the total space occupied by UCS to 23,577 sq ft. It is the County's intention to assume the approximately 400 sq ft space currently occupied by the court reporter staff on the first floor in the future which will then reduce the total space occupied by UCS to 23,177 sq ft.



Chemung County – Capital Plan Documents

- Chemung County submitted a capital plan amendment providing an additional 1,597.20 sq ft of space on the fourth floor of the John. H. Hazlett Building located at 203 Lake Street in Elmira for court operations.
- The additional space will enhance court operations by providing office space for the Problem-Solving Court staff.
- The additional space will increase the total space occupied by UCS in the building to 16,339.15 sq ft.



Genesee County– Capital Plan Documents

- Genesee County submitted a capital plan amendment regarding its roof and façade rehabilitation project, funded by the County and anticipated to commence in Fall 2026.
- The Genesee County Supreme Court, County Court, Family Court, Surrogate’s Court, and Batavia City Court are located at 1 West Main Street in Batavia, occupying approximately 41,568 sq ft.
- The roof and façade rehabilitation project will include the full removal and replacement of approximately 20,000 sq ft of existing shing roofing and approximately 5,000 sq ft of existing built-up flat roofing; installation of 30-year architectural asphalt shingles on sloped roof areas and a fully adhered single-ply EPDM membrane roofing system on flat roof areas; new pre-finished seamless aluminum gutters and downspouts with heat trace; removal and replacement of the existing accessible concrete entrance ramp to meet ADA slope requirements, including new handrails and associated concrete sidewalk; replacement of exterior entrance doors with fiberglass (FRP) units; and minor masonry repair and precast panel replacement at the exterior façade.



Livingston County – Capital Plan Documents

- Livingston County submitted a capital plan amendment regarding its roof replacement project at the Livingston County Government Center located at 6 Court Street in Geneseo (approximately 1,538 sq ft of court space) and the drainage remediation project at the Livingston County Courthouse located at 2 Court Street in Geneseo (approximately 18,405 sq ft of court space), both funded by the County.
- The roof replacement includes the total replacement of the roof for \$1,339,000 which was completed August 2026.
- The drainage remediation project includes establishing a foundation drainage system and applying waterproofing on the foundation wall of the Livingston County Courthouse for \$50,100 which was completed August 2026.



Suffolk County – Capital Plan Documents

- Suffolk County submitted a capital plan amendment regarding its roof replacement and security booth replacement projects at the Cohalan Court Complex located at 400 Carleton Avenue in Central Islip.
- The roof replacement project includes the removal and replacement of the roof atop the District Court and Office Towers building, funded through general obligation bonds for a total project cost of \$2,506,800. The project is anticipated to commence on October 12, 2026.
- The security booth replacement project includes the replacement of three security booths, funded through general obligation bonds for a total project cost of \$318,744. The project construction was completed on June 19, 2026.



Ulster County – Capital Plan Documents

- Ulster County submitted a capital plan amendment providing an additional 4,900 sq ft on multiple floors of the Ulster County Courthouse located at 283 Wall Street in Kingston previously occupied by the District Attorney's Office.
- The additional space will enhance court operations by providing additional office space and the opportunity to reconfigure the court space and streamline security operations.
- The additional space will increase the total space occupied by UCS to 34,345 sq ft.



Update on New York City Capital Work



New York City – Capital Work

- **Harlem Community Justice Center**
 - Department of Design and Construction- Façade/Roofing Project (\$23M). Funds are in place, and the project has been awarded. Construction expected to start in 2027 (two-year timeline).
 - 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**
 - Three new hearing rooms were created for Bronx Family Court.
 - Roof rehabilitation project (\$21M). Construction expected to begin in 2027.
 - UCS 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. UCS has reached out to the Mayor's office, and they are waiting for a response from the Office of Management and Budget.



New York City – New Buildings

- **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 (over \$300M). Construction on the swing space has begun (\$12.2M).
- **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 (\$250M). Expected project completion in April 2027.



New York City – Work in Existing Buildings

- **Bronx Housing Court – 1118 Grand Concourse**
 - Fire alarm upgrade project (\$5.3M). Construction expected to start in 2028.
- **Bronx Supreme Court (Civil Term) – 851 Grand Concourse**
 - Cooling tower project (\$8M). Construction expected to start in 2028.
 - Façade repairs (\$62M). Construction is ongoing.
- **Kings County Supreme Court (Civil Term) – 360 Adams Street**
 - Roof and façade rehabilitation (\$23M). Construction is ongoing.
- **New York County Supreme Court (Civil Term) – 60 Centre Street**
 - Building envelope restoration project (\$85M); currently facing a \$32M budget shortfall. Construction expected to start in 2027.
- **Queens Criminal Court – 125-01 Queens Blvd.**
 - Roof and façade rehabilitation (\$30M). Construction expected to start in 2027



