

****CHAIR'S AGENDA****
PUBLIC HEARING
MONDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2025
LEGISLATIVE CHAMBERS AND LIVE VIA WWW.STLAWCO.GOV
5:50 P.M.

- I. Chair calls the Public Hearing to Order
- II. Deputy Clerk reads the call to the Public Hearing:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the Chair of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators that the Chair and the members of the Board of Legislators of the County of St. Lawrence will meet at the Board of Legislators' Chambers, Court House, located at 48 Court Street, Canton, New York, at 5:50 p.m. on Monday, December 1, 2025, for the purpose of conducting a public hearing regarding:

**ADOPTING LOCAL LAW I (NO. _) FOR THE YEAR 2025, "TAX CAP OVERRIDE
FOR FY 2026"**

BE IT ENACTED by the Board of Legislators of St. Lawrence County as follows:

Section 1. **TITLE OF THE LOCAL LAW**

This Local Law shall be entitled "Tax Cap Override for FY 2026."

Section 2. **AUTHORIZATION**

For fiscal year 2026, the County of St. Lawrence shall override the real property tax levy limit established by Chapter 97 of the Laws of 2011 of the State of New York and may adopt a budget requiring a tax levy that is greater than such tax levy limit.

Section 3. **VOTE REQUIREMENT**

This local law is adopted pursuant to subdivision 5 of the General Municipal Law § 3-C, which expressly authorizes the County Board of Legislators to override the tax levy limit by the adoption of a local law approved by vote of sixty percent (60%) of the Board.

Section 4. **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this local law is to permit the override of the limit on the amount of real property taxes that may be levied by the County of St. Lawrence, and to allow the County to adopt a county budget for the fiscal year 2026 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the "tax levy limit" as defined by General Municipal Law § 3-C.

Section 5. **DEFINITION**

Tax Cap Override for FY 2026 - The County Board of Legislators, County of St. Lawrence, is hereby authorized to adopt a budget for FY 2026 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the amount otherwise proscribed in General Municipal Law § 3-C.

Section 6. **SUPERSESSION**

Pursuant to the powers granted by the Municipal Home Rule, this Local Law supersedes all provisions of any other laws in the County of St. Lawrence, in so far as such statutes are inconsistent with this Local Law and any other laws or regulations of the County of St. Lawrence are superseded to the extent necessary to give this Local Law full force and effect. All other provisions shall remain the same.

Section 7. **SEVERABILITY**

Each separate provision of this Local Law shall be deemed independent of all other provisions therein, and if any provisions shall be deemed or declared invalid, all other provisions hereof shall remain valid and enforceable.

Section 8. **EFFECTIVE DATE**

This Local Law shall take effect immediately upon filing in the office of the Secretary of State, in accordance with Municipal Home Rule Law § 27.

III. Chair asks if anyone wishes to comment: “Any citizen wanting to address the Board is asked to stand at the microphone during the time that they address the Board. The address will be limited to a time of five minutes. Please state your name before beginning your address.”

IV. Chair declares the Public Hearing closed.