



**COMMON COUNCIL MEETING  
PARKS, RECREATION & FAMILY SERVICES  
Owusu Anane, Chair**

**DATE:** THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 4, 2025

**TIME:** 5:30 PM

**LOCATION:** Council Chambers-2nd Floor, City Hall

**LIVESTREAM:** YouTube— <https://www.youtube.com/@albanycommoncouncil>  
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**TOPICS OF DISCUSSION:**

- **Resolution 69.71.25R** (*As Amended 8/18/2025*)  
A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL SUPPORTING THE  
INSTALLATION OF A MURAL ON THE WEST HILL COMMUNITY CENTER  
COMMEMORATING SIGNIFICANT COMMUNITY FIGURES

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: YES**

**Council Members Love and Robinson introduced the following:**

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**WHEREAS**, the City of Albany is in the process of constructing the West Hill Community Center, which will be a walkable meeting space with programming for seniors, childcare services, fitness and lounge spaces, multipurpose classrooms, and will provide access to many other resources and opportunities to the community; and

**WHEREAS**, the architectural plans for the Community Center allow for the installation of public art on the façade of the building; and

**WHEREAS**, the community has requested that a mural be installed on the façade, honoring individuals who have made significant contributions to the West Hill neighborhood and the City of Albany; and

**WHEREAS**, Sgt. Henry Johnson, Brother Yusuf Burgess, Dr. Alice Green, Edmund O’Neal, and Sarah Curry-Cobb have been identified as four individuals who, through their dedication to, and efforts on behalf of, their community, City, and nation, are richly deserving of commemoration on the West Hill Community Center mural;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Common Council of the City of Albany supports the installation of a mural on the façade of the West Hill Community Center depicting Sgt. Henry Johnson, Brother Yusuf Burgess, Dr. Alice Green, Edmund O’Neal, and Sarah Curry-Cobb honoring these individuals’ many, varied, and significant contributions to the West Hill neighborhood and City of Albany.

**To:** Shaniqua Jackson, City Clerk

**From:** Brett Williams, Esq., Deputy Corporation Counsel

**Re:** Common Council Legislation  
Supporting Memorandum

**Date:** June 27, 2025  
August 14, 2025

**Sponsors:** Council Members Love and Robinson

**RESOLUTION 69.71.25R (*As Amended 8/18/2025*)**

**TITLE**

A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL SUPPORTING THE INSTALLATION OF A MURAL ON THE WEST HILL COMMUNITY CENTER COMMERMORATING SIGNIFICANT COMMUNITY FIGURES

**GENERAL PURPOSE OF LEGISLATION**

This resolution expresses the Council's support for the installation of a mural on the façade of the West Hill Community Center honoring Sgt. Henry Johnson, Brother Yusuf Burgess, Dr. Alice Green, Edmund O'Neal, and Sarah Curry-Cobb.

**NECESSITY FOR LEGISLATION AND ANY CHANGE TO EXISING LAW**

See above.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

The mural has already been budgeted-for in the cost of construction for the Community Center.