

**VILLAGE OF NEW PALTZ, NEW YORK
AND
TOWN OF NEW PALTZ, NEW YORK**

**SUMMARY OF THE VILLAGE OF NEW PALTZ AND TOWN OF NEW PALTZ
THE FINAL VERSION OF THE JOINT CONSOLIDATION AGREEMENT**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Village of New Paltz Board of Trustees and the Town Board of the Town of New Paltz adopted a final version of the Village of New Paltz and a Town of New Paltz Joint Consolidation Agreement (“Final Version JCA”) at a joint meeting of the boards on August 5, 2026. This Final Version of the JCA is available for the public to view at the Village Clerk’s Office located at 25 Plattekill Avenue, New Paltz, New York 12561, the Village website <https://www.villageofnewpaltz.gov/>, the Town Clerk’s Office located at 52 Clearwater Road, New Paltz, New York 12561, the Town’s website located at <https://www.townofnewpaltzny.gov/>, the project website located at: newpaltzconsolidation.com and the Elting Memorial Library located at 93 Main Street, New Paltz, New York 12561.

REFERENDUM The Village of New Paltz Board of Trustees and the Town Board of the Town of New Paltz contemporaneously set a date for a referendum on the question of consolidation of the Village and Town to be held on November 3, 2026.

The referendum question for Village voters shall be in a form reading substantially as follows:

“Should the Village of New Paltz be consolidated with the Town of New Paltz? ___Yes ___No.”

The referendum question for Town-outside-Village voters shall be in a form reading substantially as follows:

“Should the Town of New Paltz be consolidated with the Village of New Paltz? ___Yes ___No.”

In order for consolidation to occur, it must be supported by a majority of the votes cast in the Village and a majority of the votes cast in the Town-Outside-Village.

SUMMARY OF THE FINAL VERSION OF THE JOINT CONSOLIDATION AGREEMENT. The Village Board of Trustees and the Town Board agree that consolidation of the Village and Town should be placed before the residents for consideration because it is the shared judgement of the Boards that a consolidated Town can more effectively and efficiently deliver services and plan for the future and be more accountable to residents. The Village and Town initiated a process pursuant to NYS General Municipal Law (GML) Article 17-A which authorizes the consolidation of a town and a village located wholly within the town into a consolidated town government.

The Final Version of the JCA, as adopted by the Village Board of Trustees and the Town Board, lays out the intended terms and information regarding the consolidation of the Village of New Paltz and the Town of New Paltz. The proposed date of consolidation is January 1, 2028 and the name of the consolidated Town is the Town of New Paltz having the same boundaries as the existing Town of New Paltz. The final version of the JCA addresses additional matters specifically required by law, including post-consolidation governance structures as it concerns elected and appointed officials and public employees, the rights, duties and obligations of the consolidated Town, detail of Village and Town assets, liabilities and the disposition of those assets and liabilities, the treatment of Town and Village employees, the continuation of services, the terms for the common administration and uniform enforcement of local laws, codes and the like, the estimated one time transition costs and the estimated fiscal impact of consolidation on taxpayers.