

## **Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law to Override Tax Cap**

On Tuesday, October 4, 2016 at 7:00 p.m., the Caroline Town Board will hold public hearing at the Historic Town Hall, (immediately prior to the scheduled agenda meeting) to hear any and all comments on a proposed “A Local Law to Override the Tax Levy Limit Established by GML 3-C”. A copy of the proposed local law may be viewed online at [www.townofcaroline.org](http://www.townofcaroline.org) or at the Town of Caroline Clerk’s office.

### **PROPOSED LOCAL LAW**

Town of Caroline, County of Tompkins  
Local Law No. X of the year 201X

#### **TO OVERRIDE THE TAX LEVY LIMIT ESTABLISHED IN GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW §3-C**

Be it enacted by the Town of Caroline as follows:

##### Section 1. Legislative Intent

It is the intent of this Local Law to override the limit on the amount of real property taxes that may be levied by the Town of Caroline, County of Tompkins pursuant to General Municipal Law §3-C, and to allow the Town of Caroline to adopt a Town budget for (a) Town purposes, and (b) any other special or improvement district, and Town improvements provided pursuant to Town Law Article 12-C, governed by the Town Board for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2017 and ending December 31, 2017 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the “tax levy limit” as defined by General Municipal Law §3-C.

##### Section 2. Authority

This local law is adopted pursuant to subdivision 5 of General Municipal Law Section 3-c, which expressly authorizes a local government’s governing body to override the property tax cap for the coming fiscal year by the adoption of a local law approved by a vote of sixty percent of said governing body.

##### Section 3: Tax Levy Limit Override

The Town Board of the Town of Caroline, County of Tompkins is hereby authorized to adopt a budget for the fiscal year 2017 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the limit specified in General Municipal Law §3-C.

##### Section 4. Severability

If a court determines that any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this local law or the application thereof to any person, firm or corporation, or circumstance is invalid or unconstitutional, the court’s order or judgment shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder of this local law, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this local law or its application to the person, firm or corporation, or circumstance, directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment or order shall be rendered.

##### Section 4. Effective date

This local law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State.