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COUNTY OF ERIE

MARK C. POLONCARZ
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

July 10, 2012

Erie County Legislature
92 Franklin Street – 4th Floor
Buffalo, New York 14202

RE: Mechanical Upgrades - Various County Facilities

Dear Honorable Members:

This resolution is seeking authorization for the County Executive to enter into an Agreement with the firm of Trautman Associates Architects/Engineers for providing professional design services for the following:

- Health and Safety issues regarding sanitary sewer back-up at the Erie County Day Care Center on West Eagle Street;
- Renovations to the Rath Building 15th Floor Data/Computer Room;
- HVAC upgrades for the Erie County Toxicology Laboratory.

Should your Honorable Body require further information, I encourage you to contact John C. Loffredo at the Department of Public Works. Thank you for your consideration on this matter.

Sincerely,

Mark C. Poloncarz, Esq.
Erie County Executive

MCP/bb
Enclosure

cc: John C. Loffredo, Department of Public Works

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MEMORANDUM

To: Honorable Members of the Erie County Legislature
From: Department of Public Works
Re: Mechanical Upgrades Various County Facilities
Date: June 26, 2012

SUMMARY

- Erie County Day Care Center – during heavy rainfall the sanitary sewer backs-up in the basement causing flooding problems. Engineering evaluation of the problem is necessary to correct the health and safety issues.

- Rath Building – the current Data/Computer Room that was constructed in the early to mid 1980's is no longer functional and the 25 years plus cooling units are not able to provide sufficient cooling for the room. This project will renovate the space utilizing a much smaller room with new state of the art cooling equipment, security and fire suppression system.

- The Erie County Toxicology Lab was constructed in the late 1960's which has not been updated to current heating, cooling and ventilation standards. Currently, the cooling system for the Lab is not functioning. Temporary cooling units are being used to air condition the space.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

Funds are currently available from the approved, as amended capital budget, SAP Projects: A.12003 – 2012 – Countywide Code & Environmental Compliance, A.20920 – 2009-Countywide IT and Communications Room Fire Suppression Systems, and A.12011 – 2012-Erie County Morgue and Toxicology Improvements.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

- The Erie County Day Care Center cannot function when the building is flooded. Health and safety issues must be corrected. NYS Office of Family & Child Services has informed the County that they will revoke the Day Care license and close the facility if the problem is not corrected.

- The Data/Computer Room cooling units are not able to provide sufficient cooling for the space. Renovating the space will utilize a much smaller space with state of the art cooling equipment, security and fire suppression system.

- A much needed overhaul of the existing HVAC system is necessary for the Toxicology Lab. Sometimes odors from the adjacent autopsy area enter the Toxicology Lab.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Erie County Day care Center has been cited by the NYS Office of Family & Child Services that if the sewer flooding problem is not corrected, the facility license will be revoked.

The Rath Building Data/Computer Room was constructed circa 1980's and the space, HVAC and Fire Suppression systems are antiquated and need to be replaced. The room frequently overheats during warm weather.

The Toxicology Lab's HVAC equipment is original from the 1960's and does not function properly. Without proper HVAC equipment, the Lab will loose its accreditation.

CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION

- The Day Care Center's health and safety issues will not be addressed. The NYS Office of Family & Child Services has informed the County Day Care facility that they will revoke their operating license if the sewer problem is not corrected.
- The existing Data/Computer HVAC system will remain inadequate. Overheating of the space will continue and the Computer/Data equipment could fail.
- The Toxicology Lab's HVAC system will not be replaced leaving the lab without proper working environment for Lab accreditation.

STEPS FOLLOWING APPROVAL

The County Executive will execute an Agreement Amendment with the firm of Trautman Associates Architects/Engineers so the design work can proceed.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE REVIEW

For bonds previously sold, the proposed legislation has been reviewed by the Comptroller's Office and is related to an authorized capital project for which there are sufficient appropriations for the action proposed.

For proposed 2012 bonds, the proposed legislation has been reviewed by the Office of the Comptroller and is related to an authorized capital project for which there will be sufficient funding once the 2012 bonds are sold. This project is included in the agreed upon list of 2012 projects to advance.

Lorne Steinhart 6/27/12

LORNE STEINHART
Deputy Comptroller
Comptroller's Office

A RESOLUTION SUBMITTED BY:
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

RE: Mechanical Upgrades – Various County Facilities

WHEREAS, during heavy rainfall the Erie County Day Care Center's sanitary sewer backs-up in the basement causing flooding problems; and

WHEREAS, the Rath Building's 15th Floor Data/Computer Room that was constructed in the early to mid 1980's is no longer functional and the 25 years plus cooling units are not able to provide sufficient cooling for the room; and

WHEREAS, the Erie County Toxicology Lab was constructed in the late 1960's and has not been updated to current heating, cooling and ventilation standards and needs; and

WHEREAS, your Honorable Body has previously authorized Architectural/Engineering Term Agreement with the firm of Trautman Associates for providing professional design services on County projects; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive is requesting authorization to enter into an Agreement Amendment with the firm of Trautman Associates Architects/Engineers to provide Professional A/E Design Services for the following:

- Health & Safety issues regarding sanitary sewer back-up at the Erie County Day Care Center;
- Renovations to the Rath Building 15th floor Data/Computer Room; and
- HVAC upgrades and the Erie County Toxicology Lab

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the County Executive is authorized to execute an Agreement Amendment with the firm of Trautman Associates Architects/Engineers for providing professional Architectural/Engineering Services for correcting health and safety issues at the Erie County Day Care Center; renovations to the Rath Building Data/Computer Room; and HVAC upgrades to the Toxicology Lab for an amount not exceed $107,000.00 including reimbursables; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Comptroller's Office be authorized to make payment for all the above from SAP Project accounts as follows:

A.12003 – 2012 Countywide Code & Environmental Compliance	$17,000.00
A.20920 – 2009 Countywide & Communication Room Fire Suppression System	$40,000.00
A.12011 – 2012 Erie County Morgue & Toxicology Improvements	$50,000.00
Total Payment Not To Exceed	$107,000.00

and be it further

RESOLVED, that two certified copies of this resolution be sent to the Department of Public Works, Commissioner's Office and one copy each to the Office of the County Executive, the Division of Budget and Management, and the Office of the Comptroller.

TO: LORNE STEINHART, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE

PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS REQUIRING RULE 55

CONTRACT APPROVAL CHECKLIST
CONFIRMATION OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS IN CAPITAL PROJECTS

REQUESTING DEPARTMENT	COMPLETE ITEMS 1 THROUGH 5
1. CONTRACTOR'S NAME	Trautman Associates
2. AMOUNT OF CONTRACT	Not to Exceed $107,000.00
3. PROJECT NUMBER	A.12003 - 2012 - $17,000.00 A.20920 - 2009 - $40,000.00 A12011 – 2011 - $50,000.00
4. PROJECT TITLE	Mechanical Upgrades – Various County Facilities
5. DEPARTMENT CONTACT	Funding questions: Jeffrey P. Zack, PE at 8824 Letter pickup: Diane Bukowski at 8301

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE	COMPLETE ITEMS 6 AND 7
6. AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS	A.12003 + A.12011 * see below * $ A. 20920 - $1,100,000.00
7. PERFORMED BY	Jackie Pulsifer
Date Sent to Comptroller's Office:	June 26, 2012

* **COMMENTS:** There will be enough funding for the actions proposed once the bonds are sold for 2012. These projects were included in the agreed upon list of projects to cash advance prior to the bond sale.

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