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# COUNTY OF ERIE

**MARK C. POLONCARZ**  
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

February 15, 2013

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

**RE: Old County Hall - Exterior Waterproofing and Improvements**

Dear Honorable Members:

On December 21, 2012 the Department of Public Works received bid proposals for the Old County Hall Exterior Waterproofing and Improvements. The project will restore and preserve the exterior portions of Old County Hall, including the roof and lead-coated copper metal roofing for the clock tower steeple and certain roofing areas above offices of your Honorable Body.

This resolution is requesting authorization to allow the County Executive to enter into an agreement with the lowest responsible bidders so the work can begin. Attached is a copy of the bid tabulations for your reference.

Should your Honorable Body require further information, I encourage you to contact Commissioner 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

## MEMORANDUM

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**To:** Honorable Members of the Erie County Legislature  
**From:** Department of Public Works  
**Re:** Old County Hall - Exterior Waterproofing and Improvements  
**Date:** January 23, 2013

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### **SUMMARY**

There has been an ongoing effort to restore and preserve the exterior portions of Old County Hall, including the roof and lead-coated copper metal roofing for the clock tower steeple. When the interior portions of the building renovations were completed in 2005, there were insufficient funds to restore and preserve the exterior portions of these historical buildings. Now that funds are available, the County Executive is seeking authorization from your Honorable Body to enter into an agreement with the lowest responsible bidders.

### **FISCAL IMPLICATIONS**

Funds are available from previously approved, as amended, 2000, 2007, 2008, 2009, and 2010, capital budgets, SAP Project Accounts as follows: A.00018 Courts Renovation Exterior, A.00313 Waterproofing & Restoration, A.00327 Waterproofing & Restoration, A.20919 County Facility Exterior Restoration and A.21005 County Facility Exterior Restoration.

### **REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION**

During the Courts Renovation Project, funds were eliminated for the exterior preservation of Old County Hall. Now that funds are available to restore the building, it is desirous to restore and preserve the exterior building envelope to ensure the building will remain safe for occupancy and maintain the historical significance of Old County Hall.

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The Unified Court System in 1987 mandated that all Court facilities housing State Court judges must meet certain minimum building standards. In 2003 through 2005 the interior spaces of Old County Hall were restored and renovated to meet these standards. Due to budget constraints, the exterior portions of the building renovation program were eliminated. Funds have now become available to restore and preserve the exterior portions of these judicial buildings.

### **CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION**

If the exterior of the buildings are not restored and preserved, the existing stone will continue to deteriorate to the point where the buildings will be unsafe to house Courts and the public. There would be an even greater burden to the taxpayers if the buildings had to be replaced at a cost of hundreds of million dollars.

## **STEPS FOLLOWING APPROVAL**

The County Executive shall enter into an agreement with the lowest responsible bidders so the work can proceed.

## **COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE REVIEW**

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.



**GREGORY GACH**  
Deputy Comptroller  
Comptroller's Office

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**A RESOLUTION SUBMITTED BY:  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

**RE: Old County Hall - Exterior Waterproofing and Improvements**

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works received bids for the Old County Hall - Exterior Waterproofing and Improvements on December 21, 2012; and

WHEREAS, The Erie County Department of Public Works, along with the Architect, is recommending award of the contract to the lowest bidders; and

WHEREAS, the lowest responsible bidders are Lupini Construction, Inc. for the masonry work and Weaver Metal & Roofing Inc. for the copper clad metal roof work; and

WHEREAS, your Honorable Body has previously authorized the County Executive to enter in a General Architectural/Engineering services agreement with the firm of Lauer & Manguso Architects for providing professional design and construction document services on Erie County projects; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive is requesting authorization to issue an Agreement Amendment to the firm of Lauer & Manguso Architects for providing design and construction administration services for the Old County Hall - Exterior Waterproofing & Improvements.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the County Executive is authorized to enter into a contract with the lowest responsible bidders for the Old County Hall - Exterior Waterproofing & Improvements as follows:

**MASONRY WORK**

Lupini Construction	Base Bid:	<u>1,248,000.00</u>
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**ROOFING WORK**

Weaver Metal & Roofing, Inc.	Base Bid:	<u>1,088,000.00</u>
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and be it further

RESOLVED, that the sum of \$300,000.00 be allocated to the Construction Contingency Fund with authorization for the County Executive, to approve change orders in an amount not to exceed the Contingency Fund; and be it further

RESOLVED, that deduct change orders will result in these funds being returned to the Construction Contingency Fund; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the County Executive is authorized to execute an Agreement Amendment with the firm of Lauer & Manguso Architects for providing professional design and construction administration services for Old County Hall- Exterior Waterproofing and Improvements for an amount not to exceed \$60,000.00, including reimbursables; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the Comptroller's Office be authorized to make payment for all the above from SAP Accounts:

A.00018	2000	Courts Renovation Exterior	\$250,469.30
A.00313	2007	Waterproofing & Restoration	\$384,092.61
A.00327	2008	Waterproofing & Restoration	\$447,889.59
A.20919	2009	County Facility Exterior Renovation	\$364,148.50
A.21005	2010	County Facility Exterior Renovation	<u>\$1,249,400.00</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$2,696,000.00</b>

**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.