

#### **CHRIS COLLINS**

COUNTY EXECUTIVE

January 24, 2011

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

RE: Amendment to the Erie/ Niagara County Intermunicipal Agreement for Shared Geographic Information System Services

#### Honorable Members:

Enclosed please find a memorandum and proposed resolution from the Department of Environment and Planning authorizing the County Executive to amend the existing five-year Erie County/ Niagara County Intermunicipal Agreement (IMA) for Shared Geographic Information System Services. The amendment will increase the amount that Niagara County pays to Erie County for geographic information system services for the final two years of the contract (2011/2012)

If your honorable body requires any further information, please contact the Department of Environment and Planning. Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

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#### **MEMORANDUM**

To: Honorable Members of the Erie County Legislature

From: Department of Environment and Planning Re: Amendment to the Erie/ Niagara County

Intermunicipal Agreement for Shared Geographic Information System Services

Date: January 21, 2011

### **SUMMARY**

The attached resolution authorizes the County Executive to amend the existing Eric County/ Niagara County Intermunicipal Agreement (IMA) for Shared Geographic Information System Services. The amendment will increase the amount that Niagara County pays to Eric County for geographic information system services for the final two years of the contract (2011/2012)

## FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

Erie County receives annual payments from Niagara County for GIS services provided according to the IMA. The proposed amendment increases the amounts paid by Niagara County to Erie County for the final two years of the five-year IMA, as follows:

Year 4 (2011) – Current Amount \$23,465
 Year 5 (2012) – Current Amount \$24,401
 New Amount: \$33,465

## **REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION**

Erie and Niagara Counties conducted a review of the terms of the IMA for Shared GIS Services, as provided for in Section 3.1 "Revision of Terms and Provisions", and have determined that "Appendix C – Cost Summary" should be revised to increase the payments due to Erie County from Niagara County by the following amounts for the final two years of the Agreement:

This proposed amendment to the IMA reflects increased costs for ongoing operations and maintenance of the enterprise level geographic information system technology which supports both Erie and Niagara Counties. Additionally, the increase in payments from Niagara County to Erie County compensates Erie County for developing, installing, and maintaining GIS applications which are specific for Niagara County, including those applications that need to be revised to continue to function as GIS technology upgrades are implemented.

## **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The IMA was established in 2005. The fees charged to Niagara County for GIS services are stipulated in Section C of the Intermunicipal Agreement (IMA) for Shared Geographic Information System Services. Changes to these fees require an amendment to the IMA, and are subject to approval by the Erie County and Niagara County Legislatures.

# **CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION**

Failure to authorize the County Executive to amend the Erie County/ Niagara County Intermunicipal Agreement for Shared Geographic Information System Services will result in current revenues received from Niagara County that will not adequately offset Erie County's costs of operating a two-county enterprise GIS system that benefits both counties.

## STEPS FOLLOWING APPROVAL

The County Executive will enter into an amended agreement. Attachment A will become the basis for invoicing Niagara County for GIS services in 2011 and 2012.

# A RESOLUTION SUBMITTED BY: DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND PLANNING

RE: Amendment to the Erie/ Niagara
County Intermunicipal Agreement
for Shared Geographic Information
System Services

WHEREAS, Erie and Niagara Counties have entered into a five-year Intermunicipal Agreement for Shared Geographic Information System Services, dated December 28, 2007; and

WHEREAS, this Intermunicipal Agreement for Shared GIS Services between Erie and Niagara Counties was authorized by a resolution of the Erie County Legislature (COMM 20E-14) dated November 15, 2007; and

WHEREAS, Erie and Niagara Counties have conducted a review of the terms of the IMA, as provided for in Section 3.1 "Revision of Terms and Provisions" of the existing IMA, and have determined that Appendix C – "Cost Summary" should be revised to increase the payments due to Erie County from Niagara County by the following amounts for the final two years of the Agreement:

- Year 4 (2011) increase from \$23,465.00 to \$30,465.00
- Year 5 (2012) increase from \$24,401.00 to \$33,465.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Executive is authorized to enter into an amended Erie and Niagara Counties Intermunicipal Agreement for Shared Geographic Information Services to include "Amendment to Appendix C – Cost Summary"; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to the County Executive; the County Comptroller; the Commissioner of the Department of Environment and Planning; the Director of the Division of Budget and Management; and the County Attorney.

#### **ATTACHMENT A**

## **AMENDMENT**

Erie and Niagara Counties Intermunicipal Agreement for Shared GIS Services

APPENDIX C: Cost Summary Sheet – as amended

Year Four (2011) AMENDED Costs: (to be invoiced on a quarterly basis)

Total \$30,465.00

Year Five (2012) AMENDED Costs: (to be invoiced on a quarterly basis)

Total \$33,465.00