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COUNTY OF ERIE

CHRIS COLLINS
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

September 6, 2011

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

RE: Vector Control Program Transition Allocations

Honorable Members:

Attached is a proposed resolution and accompanying memorandum requesting approval to fund three local municipalities in transitioning vector and rodent control services from the County to their municipality.

Should your honorable body require further information, I encourage you to contact the Department of Health. Thank you for your consideration on this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Chris Collins", is written over a horizontal line.

CHRIS COLLINS
Erie County Executive

MEMORANDUM

To: Honorable Members of the Erie County Legislature
From: Erie County Department of Health
Re: Vector Control Program Transition Allocations
Date: September 1, 2011

SUMMARY

Rodent control is an ongoing concern for certain municipalities in Erie County. The County Health Department desires to assist cities, towns and villages in a transition from the County to the cities, towns and villages of the provision of rodent control services within their municipality. Your Honorable Body previously approved an appropriation of up to \$70,000 for these efforts in 2011, Comm. 7E-7(2011).

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

None. Comm. 7E-7(2011) identified funding source for 2011.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

In order for Erie County to assist the cities, towns and villages during this transition period, funding will be used to help local municipalities gain the proper certifications and permits to apply rodenticide. This will be accomplished via contractual agreements with the identified municipalities.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Erie County Health Department has worked with municipalities for many years in administering a rodent control program and now seeks to transition the provision of such services to the cities, towns and villages. The Town of Hamburg, City of Tonawanda and Village of Kenmore have submitted requests to the County for funding for these efforts. Comm. 7E-7(2011) appropriated funding and approval is now requested to enter into necessary contracts.

CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION

The County will not be able to enter into a contract(s) and will be unable to assist cities, towns and villages with this transition.

STEPS FOLLOWING APPROVAL

The Budget Director will make the necessary budgetary changes to move the funding to the appropriate line in the 2011 Budget and contractual agreements will be entered into with the respective localities.

A RESOLUTION SUBMITTED BY:
DEPARMTENT OF HEALTH

RE: Vector Control Program
Transition Allocations

WHEREAS, rodent control is an ongoing concern for certain municipalities within Erie County; and

WHEREAS, County rodent control programs are being transitioned to city, town and village programs; and

WHEREAS, Erie County seeks to assist cities, towns and villages with this transition; and

WHEREAS, funds are currently available in the 2011 Budget to help municipalities gain proper certification and permits related to vector and rodent control management; and

WHEREAS, when originally contemplated said funding was going to be used to purchase materials and health supplies, however, it has been determined that it is in the best interest of all parties to allocate funding to municipalities through contractual agreements.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the County Executive is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with the City of Tonawanda in an amount not to exceed \$5,000, for the purpose of assisting the City of Tonawanda implement a vector and rodent control program; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with the Village of Kenmore in an amount not to exceed \$10,000, for the purpose of assisting the Village of Kenmore implement a vector and rodent control program; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with the Town of Hamburg in an amount not to exceed \$5,000, for the purpose of assisting the Town of Hamburg develop its existing vector and rodent control program; and be it further

RESOLVED, that in order to pay these contracts out of the appropriate budgetary line the 2011 budget shall be adjusted as follows:

Fund 110, Fund Center 12730 Public Health Laboratory

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| Account 505800 Medical and Health Supplies | <u>Decrease</u> \$70,000 |
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| Account 516020 Professional Svcs, Contracts & Fees | <u>Increase</u> \$70,000 |
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and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive is hereby authorized to enter into any and all additional contacts with other municipalities for the purpose of helping cities, towns and villages gain proper certification and permits related to vector and rodent control management; and be it further

RESOLVED, that said contractual agreements shall not exceed the \$70,000 appropriation in the aggregate; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to the County Executive, the County Attorney, the Division of Budget and Management, the Office of the Comptroller, and the Erie County Health Department.