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COUNTY OF ERIE

CHRIS COLLINS

COUNTY EXECUTIVE

August 10, 2011

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

**RE: Shoreline Trail – Signage and Park Furnishings System –
First Amendatory Agreement – Wendel Duchscherer**

Honorable Members:

Enclosed please find a memorandum and proposed resolution authorizing the execution of a first amendatory agreement to the November 24, 2009 contract with Wendel Duchscherer Architects and Engineers.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "CCollins", is written over the word "Sincerely,".

CHRIS COLLINS
Erie County Executive

MEMORANDUM

To: Honorable Members of the Erie County Legislature
From: Department of Environment and Planning
Re: Shoreline Trail – Signage and Park Furnishings System – First Amendatory Agreement – Wendel Duchscherer
Date: August 10, 2011

SUMMARY

The resolution authorizes the County Executive to execute an amendment to the November 24, 2009 contract with Wendel Duchscherer Architects and Engineers, increasing the authorized amount from \$54,000 to \$99,000.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no fiscal implications to Erie County. All monies are from the New York Power Authority Relicensing process (Greenway) and do not require a local cash match.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

The project implements an important recommendation contained in the 2007 Niagara River Greenway Plan. The Greenway area is in great need of a consistent nomenclature that is attractive and informative to visitors.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The amendment will allow development of a comprehensive signage system for the entire Greenway area, thus expanding beyond the Shoreline Trail components. Design, sign manual preparation and installation specifications will be important products of this effort.

CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION

Failure to receive legislative approval of the above agreement will limit the Niagara River Greenway signage system to only the Shoreline Trail component.

STEPS FOLLOWING APPROVAL

The amendatory agreement will be prepared for execution by involved parties.

COMPTROLLER'S REVIEW

The proposed legislation has been reviewed by the office of the Comptroller and is related to Capital Project #A.00348 for which there are sufficient capital appropriations for the action proposed.


LORNE STEINHART
Deputy Commissioner
Office of the Comptroller

8/16/11
Date

Revenue is "other local source" -
claims need to be filed for reimbursement.

A RESOLUTION SUBMITTED BY:
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND PLANNING

RE: Shoreline Trail – Signage and Park
Furnishings System – First Amendatory
Agreement – Wendel Duchscherer

WHEREAS, the Buffalo and Erie County Greenway Fund – Standing Committee awarded Erie County \$205,000 to prepare a Shoreline Trail Signage – Riverwalk Section project; and

WHEREAS, said project will develop a signage site and amenity specification manual for all existing and future trail segments within the Niagara River Greenway area; and

WHEREAS, the Erie County Standing Committee utilizes the Community Foundation for Greater Buffalo as their contracting agent for fund disbursements; and

WHEREAS, Erie County executed a signage design contract with Wendel-Duchscherer on November 29, 2009 for an amount not to exceed \$54,000; and

WHEREAS, said design work is limited to the Shoreline Trail elements within the Niagara River Greenway; and

WHEREAS, Erie County is desirous of expanding the scope of the design to all parks, public spaces, and approaches to Greenway attractions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Executive is hereby authorized to execute a first amendatory agreement to the November 29, 2009 agreement with Wendel Duchscherer Architects and Engineers increasing the contract amount from \$54,000 to \$99,000; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the source of funds is money available within the Erie County Department of Environment and Planning Budget, Project A.00348, Shoreline Trail – Riverwalk Section Signage and Park Furnishings System; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be sent to the County Executive's Office; the Comptroller's Office; the Director of the Division of Budget and Management; the County Attorney; and the Commissioner of the Department of Environment and Planning, Rath Building, 10th Floor.