

June 5, 2014

ENERGY & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE
REPORT NO. 8

ALL MEMBERS PRESENT.

CHAIR MILLS PRESENT AS EX-OFFICIO MEMBER.

1. COMM. 11E-7 (2014)

MILLER-WILLIAMS

RESOLVED, the Erie County Legislature hereby recommends the appointment of George Johnson Jr (291 East Delavan Ave., Buffalo, NY 14208) to the Erie County Fisheries Advisory Board. (6-0)

2. COMM. 11E-8 (2014)

COUNTY EXECUTIVE

WHEREAS, the Department of Parks, Recreation and Forestry would like to rename the Casino at Como Lake Park to James "Jimmy D." Depczynski Casino; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Depczynski was a long time employee of the Department of Parks, Recreation and Forestry who spent the majority of his career at Como Lake Park; and

WHEREAS, Como Lake Park employees have requested the name change.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Department of Parks, Recreation and Forestry is hereby authorized to formally change the name from Casino to James "Jimmy D." Depczynski Casino; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Office of the Erie County Executive and the Department of Parks, Recreation and Forestry. (6-0)

3. COMM. 11E-10 (2014)

COUNTY EXECUTIVE

WHEREAS, the County currently owns approximately eleven (11) acres of the Seneca Bluffs Natural Habitat Park located in the City of Buffalo, State of New York; and

WHEREAS, the County has been given the opportunity to purchase an adjacent frontage parcel comprising 0.54-acres providing access to Seneca Street; and

WHEREAS, the subject parcel is currently vacant and the acquisition of same will allow the County to further develop the Park by providing a parking area which will enable more recreating and use by area residents; and

WHEREAS, DePaul Properties, Inc. is the current owner of the parcel located at 1670 Seneca Street, located in the City of Buffalo, State of New York, and more fully described on Attachment A to this Resolution; and

WHEREAS, DePaul Properties, Inc. has offered to sell the subject parcel to the County for a purchase price of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00); and

WHEREAS, Joseph Maciejewski, Commissioner of Real Property Tax Services, has made a determination that the purchase price is fair market value for the subject parcel; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Environment and Planning has completed a review pursuant to New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQR) and a Negative Declaration was issued on March 24, 2014; thus determining that the proposed action will not have an adverse environmental impact; and

WHEREAS, at its meeting on March 25, 2014, the Erie County Advisory Review Committee (ARC) approved the purchase of said real property by the County; and

WHEREAS, on May 8, 2014, the Erie County Legislature approved the 2013 Budget Balancing Amendments which allocated \$100,000 in funds into the 2014 Budget for the purposes of acquiring 1670 Seneca Street adjacent to the Seneca Bluffs pocket park.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the County Executive is hereby authorized to execute any and all agreements relating to the purchase of real property located at 1670 Seneca Street, Buffalo, New York, as more fully described on Attachment A, for consideration in the amount of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) plus any ancillary costs to be paid by the County of Erie to DePaul Properties, Inc.; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the source of funds for said purchase is \$100,000 from account 561100, Land Acquisition, in Cost Center 16200, Department of Environment and Planning; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Director of Budget and Management is hereby authorized to make any required budgetary adjustments to implement this action; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to the County Executive; the Director of the Division of Budget and Management; the Commissioner of the Department of Environment and Planning; the Commissioner of the Department of Parks, Recreation and Forestry and Assistant County Attorney Kristen Walder.
(6-0)

TED B. MORTON
CHAIR