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COUNTY OF ERIE

MARK C. POLONCARZ

COUNTY EXECUTIVE

September 17, 2014

Erie County Legislature
92 Franklin Street – 4th Floor
Buffalo, New York 14202

**RE: Clarence and Hamburg Highway Maintenance Facilities
2014 New Salt Storage Buildings - Additional Funds
IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION REQUESTED**

Dear Honorable Members:

On August 19, 2014, the Department of Public Works received bid proposals for the Clarence & Hamburg Highway Maintenance Facilities- 2014- New Salt Storage Buildings project. The bid proposals exceeded your Honorable Body's previously approved amount and as such, this resolution is requesting authorization to increase funds so that the work may commence.

This project will replace the existing wood frame structures constructed in the mid 1980's, which have deteriorated beyond repair, with new modern facilities with larger salt storage capabilities. This project is part of an on-going County effort to bring County facilities into compliance with the latest New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) regulations.

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

cc: John C. Loffredo, Department of Public Works

MEMORANDUM

To: Honorable Members of the Erie County Legislature
From: Department of Public Works
Re: Clarence and Hamburg Highway Maintenance Facilities
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Date: September 17, 2014

SUMMARY

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FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

Funds for the project are available from the approved, as adopted, 2014 Capital Budget Project – A.14003- 2014 Countywide Code and Environmental Compliance.

REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION

This project is part of an on-going County effort to bring County facilities into compliance with the latest New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) regulations. The aim of this project is to provide the facilities with safe and sustainable salt storage. The new facilities will have greater storage capacity so the County will not run out of salt during prolonged winter storms, thereby keeping the roads safe for motorists and emergency vehicles.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Salt is a strategic winter resource that has been used for decades as a major weapon in combating ice and snow. Today, nearly all agencies responsible for winter maintenance use salt as one of the major tools to protect lives and commerce.

Proper storage must be provided to protect the salt from the elements and to protect the environment itself. The existing salt storage buildings have deteriorated beyond repair and need to be replaced to eliminate the possibility of contaminating streams, wells or groundwater with salt runoff.

CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION

If this project is not completed and further deterioration of the building occurs, the buildings could collapse and the County will not be in compliance with DEC regulations for containing salt runoff and additional fines could be assessed.

This will also result in the closure of the facility and the reduction of the level of safety for motorists when traveling in inclement weather during the winter months.

STEPS FOLLOWING APPROVAL

Upon Legislative approval, the County Executive will enter into a contract with the lowest responsible bidder for the Clarence & Hamburg Highway Maintenance Facilities- 2014- New Salt Storage Buildings project.

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

File: (BG.09.09.14 Salt Storage Bldg Clarence Hamburg Facilities- Add Funds.)

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

**RE: Clarence and Hamburg Highway Maintenance Facilities
2014 New Salt Storage Buildings - Additional Funds**

WHEREAS, your honorable body has previously approved construction contracts with the lowest responsible bidders for an amount not to exceed \$500,000.00 for the Clarence & Hamburg Highway Maintenance Facilities-2014-New Salt Storage Buildings; and

WHEREAS, on August 19, 2014, the Department of Public Works received bid proposals for the Clarence and Hamburg Highway Maintenance Facilities 2014 New Salt Storage Buildings project which were in excess of the previously approved amount; and

WHEREAS, additional funds to the amount of \$125,000.00 are available in the 2014 capital budget for use on this project; and

WHEREAS, the lowest responsible bidder for the general construction work was Kirst Construction, Inc. and for the electrical contract was Industrial Power and Lighting.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the County Executive is authorized to increase the previously approved amount for the Clarence and Hamburg Highway Maintenance Facilities 2014 New Salt Storage Buildings from \$500,000 total contract, including construction contingency, to \$625,000; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Comptroller's Office be authorized to make payment for all the above from SAP Project Account: A.14003- 2014 Countywide Code and Environmental Compliance; for an amount not to exceed \$125,000.00; and be it further

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.

TO: GREGORY GACH, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE

PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS REQUIRING RULE 55

CONTRACT APPROVAL CHECKLIST

CONFIRMATION OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS IN CAPITAL PROJECTS

REQUESTING DEPARTMENT

COMPLETE ITEMS 1 THROUGH 5

1. CONTRACTOR'S NAME

Lowest Responsible Bidders

2. AMOUNT OF CONTRACT

Lowest Responsible Bidder (GC) \$550,000.00
Lowest Responsible Bidder (EC) \$ 46,400.00
Construction Contingency \$ 28,600.00
Total: \$625,000.00

3. PROJECT NUMBER

A.14003

4. PROJECT TITLE

Clarence & Hamburg Highway Maintenance
Facilities 2014- Salt Storage Buildings

5. DEPARTMENT CONTACT

Funding questions: Jeffrey P. Zack #8824
Letter pickup: Diane Bukowski at 8301

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE

COMPLETE ITEMS 6 AND 7

6. AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

\$ 963,394.06

7. PERFORMED BY

Don Wilson

Date sent to Comptroller's Office:

September 10, 2014

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OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER REVIEW

DATE: 9-12-2014

PROJECT TITLE: A.14003 2014 COUNTYWIDE CODE AND ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE (COUNTYWIDE)

1) IS THE REASON FOR THIS CONTRACT CONSISTENT WITH THE PURPOSE OF THE PROJECT: YES X NO

IF NO, RETURN THIS REQUEST TO THE DEPARTMENT

IF YES, COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING VERIFICATION

2) PROJECT AVAILABLE APPROPRIATION

TOTAL PROJECT REVENUES \$ 0

TOTAL PROJECT APPROPRIATIONS \$ 1,100,000.00

LESS: TOTAL EXPENDITURE TO DATE \$ 0

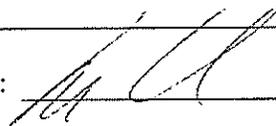
TOTAL COMMITMENTS \$ 136,605.94

AVAILABLE APPROPRIATIONS AS OF DATE OF REQUEST \$ 963,394.06

LESS: CONTRACT AMOUNT: 625,000.00

NET AVAILABLE APPROPRIATIONS \$ 338,394.06

COMMENTS: COMMENTS: Legislature approved project A.14003 and bonds/premium of \$1,100,000 is expected to be received in 2014.

REQUEST APPROVED: 

REQUEST DENIED: _____

DATE: 9/12/14