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COUNTY OF ERIE

MARK C. POLONCARZ

COUNTY EXECUTIVE

July 23, 2015

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

IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION REQUESTED

RE: Various Highway Maintenance Facilities- 2015- New Salt Storage Buildings

Dear Honorable Members:

This resolution is seeking authorization for the County Executive to enter into a construction contract with the lowest responsible bidders so construction may proceed during the summer months for the Various Highway Maintenance Facilities- 2015- New Salt Storage Buildings project.

This project will replace the existing wood frame structures constructed in the mid 1980's, which have deteriorated beyond repair, with new properly sized modern facilities with larger salt storage capabilities.

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,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mark C. Poloncarz".

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: Various Highway Maintenance Facilities- 2015- New Salt Storage Buildings
Date: July 23, 2015

SUMMARY

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This project will replace the existing wood frame structures constructed in the mid 1980's, which have deteriorated beyond repair, with new properly sized 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.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

Funds for the project are available from the approved, as adopted, 2014 and 2015 Capital Budget Project – A.14003- 2014 Countywide Code and Environmental Compliance, A.15003-2015 County Wide Code & Environmental Compliance and A.15006 – 2015 Countywide Environmental Regulatory 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 County will not be in compliance with DEC regulations for containing salt runoff and additional fines could be issued. This will also result in the closure of the facility and the reduction of the level of safety when traveling in inclement weather during the winter months.

STEPS FOLLOWING APPROVAL

Upon Legislative approval, the County Executive will enter into contracts with the lowest responsible bidders for the Various Highway Maintenance Facilities- 2015- 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

Bryan Fiume
Associate Deputy Comptroller

File: (BG.7.15.15 Salt Storage Building.VariouS Facilities)

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

RE: Various Highway Maintenance Facilities- 2015- New Salt Storage Buildings

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works will be receiving bids for the Various Highway Maintenance Facilities- 2015- New Salt Storage Buildings project during Legislative recess period; and

WHEREAS, the last Legislative meeting before summer recess will not allow for the normal award process of construction contracts after bids are received; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive is seeking prior authorization to award contracts to the lowest responsible bidders.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the County Executive is authorized to award contracts to the lowest responsible bidders so the work can proceed during the summer months for a total contract, including construction contingency, not to exceed \$925,000.00; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Department of Public Works will report to the Legislature the value of the contracts awarded and to whom; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Comptroller's Office be authorized to make payment for all the above from SAP Project Accounts as follows

A.14003- 2014 Countywide Code and Environmental Compliance	\$625,000.00
A.15003-2015 Countywide Code and Environmental Compliance	\$100,000.00
A.15006 – 2015 Countywide Environmental Regulatory Compliance	<u>\$200,000.00</u>
Total Payments Not to Exceed	\$925,000.00

; 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

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| 1. | CONTRACTOR'S NAME | <u>Lowest Responsible Bidders</u> |
| 2. | AMOUNT OF CONTRACT | <u>Lowest Responsible Bidders</u> <u>\$925,000.00</u> |
| 3. | PROJECT NUMBER | A.15003
<u>A.14003 , A.15006</u> |
| 4. | PROJECT TITLE | <u>Various Highway Maintenance Facilities- 2015-
New Salt Storage Buildings</u> |
| 5. | DEPARTMENT CONTACT | Funding questions: Jeffrey P. Zack #8824
<u>Letter pickup: Diane Bukowski at 8301</u> |

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE

COMPLETE ITEMS 6 AND 7

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| 6. | AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS | <u>\$ 450,000.00</u> |
| | | <u>\$ 739,682.90</u> |
| 7. | PERFORMED BY | <u>\$ 500,000.00</u>
<u>Don Urban</u> |

Date sent to Comptroller's Office: July 16, 2015

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OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER REVIEW

DATE: 7-21-2015

PROJECT TITLE: A.15003 2015 CTYWD CODE & ENVIRONMENT COMPLIANCE

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 \$ 0.00

TOTAL PROJECT APPROPRIATIONS \$ 750,000.00

LESS: TOTAL EXPENDITURE TO DATE \$ 0.00

TOTAL COMMITMENTS \$ 0.00

AVAILABLE APPROPRIATIONS AS OF DATE OF REQUEST \$ 750,000.00

LESS: CONTRACT AMOUNT #1 70,000.00

CONTRACT AMOUNT #2 100,000.00

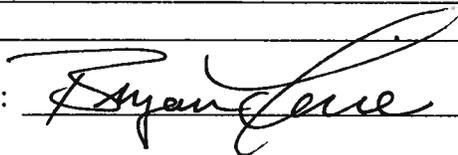
CONTRACT AMOUNT #3 130,000.00

CONTRACT AMOUNT #4 100,000.00

NET AVAILABLE APPROPRIATIONS \$ 350,000.00

COMMENTS: COMMENTS: Project Cash balance is \$0.00. Project will be funded by 2015 Bond Sale.

REQUEST APPROVED: _____



REQUEST DENIED: _____

DATE: _____

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OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER REVIEW

DATE: 7-21-2015

PROJECT TITLE: A.15006 2015 CTYWD ENVIRONMENT REGULATORY COMPLI

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 \$ 0.00

TOTAL PROJECT APPROPRIATIONS \$ 500,000.00

LESS: TOTAL EXPENDITURE TO DATE \$ 0.00

TOTAL COMMITMENTS \$ 0.00

AVAILABLE APPROPRIATIONS AS OF DATE OF REQUEST \$ 500,000.00

LESS: CONTRACT AMOUNT: 200,000.00

NET AVAILABLE APPROPRIATIONS \$ 300,000.00

COMMENTS: COMMENTS: Project Cash balance is \$0.00. project will be funded by 2015 Bond Sale.

REQUEST APPROVED: *Bryan Luce*

REQUEST DENIED: _____

DATE: 7/21/15