

SUSPENSION



COUNTY OF ERIE

MARK C. POLONCARZ

COUNTY EXECUTIVE

February 23, 2015

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

Re: Technical Change to 2015 Budget Resolution #57

Dear Honorable Members:

The attached resolution requests authorization for the Department of Senior Services to correct 2015 Adopted Budget Resolution #57 section VII. Two agencies were inadvertently excluded from the resolution's listing of authorized home care agencies and the name of a third needs to be revised to reflect the official name change of the corporation.

Should your Honorable Body require further information, please contact Randy Hoak, Commissioner of Senior Services. Thank you for your consideration on this matter.

Sincerely yours,

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Erie County Executive

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Enclosure

cc: Randy Hoak, Commissioner, Department of Senior Services

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MEMORANDUM

To: Honorable Members of the Erie County Legislature
From: Department of Senior Services
Re: Technical Change to 2015 Budget Resolution #57
Date: February 23, 2015

SUMMARY

Approve the attached resolution to correct the 2015 Adopted Budget Resolution #57 VII to allow the Department of Senior Services to contract with two home care agencies, Community Concern of Western New York, Inc. and Western New York Independent Living, Inc., inadvertently excluded from the resolution, and change the name of a third agency from H. C. Watson Corp. d/b/a Interim Healthcare to Interim Healthcare of Rochester, Inc. to reflect the official name change of the corporation.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

No additional County funds are required. The Department's 2015 grants have aggregate home care appropriations budgeted and available.

REASONS FOR RECOMENDATION

The Department of Senior Services utilizes grant funding to provide eligible frail seniors with home care services provided by licensed agencies. Legislative approval is necessary to contract with the home care agencies. The 2015 Adopted Budget Resolution #57 authorizing contracting with home care agencies inadvertently used the 2014 Adopted Budget resolution's list of eight agencies and therefore did not properly reflect the 2015 addition of two agencies and the name change of a third agency.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

2015 Adopted Budget Resolution #57 VII authorizes the County Executive to enter into contracts with the listed agencies to provide home care for department clients, up to the aggregate amount appropriated for such services for the period January 1, 2105 through March 31, 2016.

CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION

The Department of Senior Services would be unable to contract with the three agencies and risks disruptions in the home care services frail seniors are receiving.

STEPS FOLLOWING APPROVAL

The Department of Senior Services will contract with the agencies for home care services.

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A RESOLUTION SUBMITTED BY: DEPARTMENT OF SENIOR SERVICES

RE: Technical Change to 2015 Budget Resolution #57

WHEREAS, the Erie County Legislature previously approved the 2015 Adopted Budget including Budget Book B Resolutions; and

WHEREAS, the 2015 Adopted Budget Book Resolution #57 VII inadvertently excluded two Department of Senior Service home care agencies, Community Concern of Western New York, Inc., and Western New York Independent Living, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, the same resolution also failed to reflect the corporate name change of one of the agencies from H. C. Watson Corp. d/b/a Interim Healthcare to Interim Healthcare of Rochester, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Senior Services needs legislative approval to contract with the above agencies to provide home care services for frail seniors; and

WHEREAS, no additional County funds are required as appropriations are available in the home care services account in the 163III-E2015 grant for the January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015 period and the 163EISEP1516 grant for the April 1, 2015 to March 31, 2016 period.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the County Executive is hereby authorized to contract with Community Concern of Western New York, Inc., and Western New York Independent Living, Inc., for home care services in addition to the eight other agencies named in the 2015 budget; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with agency named Interim Healthcare of Rochester, Inc., in place of the previously named H. C. Watson Corp, d/b/a Interim Healthcare in the 2015 Budget; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to the County Executive's Office, the Division of Budget and Management, the Comptroller's Office, the County Attorney's Office and the Department of Senior Services.