



# COUNTY OF ERIE

**MARK C. POLONCARZ**

COUNTY EXECUTIVE

March 5, 2015

Erie County Legislature  
92 Franklin Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Buffalo, New York 14202

**Re: Erie County Emergency Services –2014- 400MHz Interoperable  
Communication Systems Upgrades- Phase 3  
South Wales, Harris Hill, East Aurora and Townsend Hill Tower Sites**

Dear Honorable Members:

This resolution seeks authorization to enter into an agreement with the lowest responsible bidders for the Erie County Emergency Services –2014- 400MHz Interoperable Communication Systems Upgrades- Phase 3 project located at the South Wales, Harris Hill, East Aurora and Townsend Hill Tower Sites.

On January 29, 2015, the Department of Public Works received bid proposals and a copy of the bid tabulation is attached for your reference.

If your Honorable Body requires further information or has any questions, please contact Public Works Commissioner John Loffredo. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Mark C. Poloncarz, Esq.  
Erie County Executive

MCP:jcl:dab

cc: John C. Loffredo, Department of Public Works

## **MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Honorable Members of the Erie County Legislature  
**From:** Department of Public Works  
**Re:** Erie County Emergency Services –2014- 400MHz Interoperable  
Communication Systems Upgrades- Phase 3  
South Wales, Harris Hill, East Aurora and Townsend Hill Tower Sites  
**Date:** March 5, 2015

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### **SUMMARY**

This resolution is requesting authorization to allow the County Executive to enter into an agreement with the lowest responsible bidders for the Erie County Emergency Services –2014-400MHz Interoperable Communication Systems Upgrades- Phase 3 project located at the South Wales, Harris Hill, East Aurora and Townsend Hill Tower Sites.

This project is Phase 3 of a multiple phase program to upgrade the County's communication system that was installed in the mid 1950's. The current system does not meet today's technology requirements or current needs. At completion the County will have a state-of-the-art County-wide emergency communications system

### **FISCAL IMPLICATIONS**

Funds for this contact are currently available from SAP project A.21009-2010-Public Safety 400 MHZ Communications System.

### **REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION**

The Commissioner of Emergency Services has indicated that it is vital that Emergency Services communications in the southtowns be upgraded.

### **CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION**

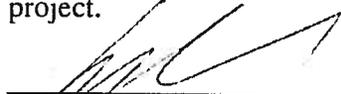
The goal of this project is to provide better communications and improve coordination of services and agency interoperability in times of emergency. If this project is not completed, our emergency communications will continue to operate poorly particularly in the southern portion of the County.

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A contract will be awarded to the lowest responsible bidders so work can commence on the project.

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GREGORY GACH  
Deputy Comptroller  
Comptroller's Office

A RESOLUTION SUBMITTED BY  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

RE: Erie County Emergency Services –2014- 400MHz Interoperable Communication Systems Upgrades- Phase 3- South Wales, Harris Hill, East Aurora and Townsend Hill Tower Sites

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Emergency Services has indicated that it is vital that Emergency Services communications in the southtowns be upgraded; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works received bids for the Erie County Emergency Services –2014- 400MHz Interoperable Communication Systems Upgrades- Phase 3 project on January 29, 2015; and

WHEREAS, the lowest responsible bidder for the General Construction is Patriot Towers, Inc. and the lowest responsible bidder for the Electrical Construction is Goodwin Electric Corporation; and

WHEREAS, the Erie County Department of Public Works, along with its Consultant, is recommending award of the contract to the lowest responsible bidders.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the County Executive is authorized to enter into a contract with the lowest responsible bidders for the Erie County Emergency Services –2014- 400MHz Interoperable Communication Systems Upgrades- Phase 3 project for an amount not to exceed as follows:

General Construction Work

|                      |          |              |
|----------------------|----------|--------------|
| Patriot Towers, Inc. | Base Bid | \$309,134.00 |
|----------------------|----------|--------------|

Electrical Construction Work

|                                     |                 |                     |
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| <u>Goodwin Electric Corporation</u> | <u>Base Bid</u> | <u>\$325,500.00</u> |
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| Total Award of Contracts Not To Exceed |  | \$634,634.00 |
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; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the sum of \$95,195.00 be allocated to a Construction Contingency Fund with authorization for the County Executive to approve change orders in an amount not to exceed the Contingency Fund, and be it further

RESOLVED, that deduct change orders will result in these funds being returned to the Construction Contingency Fund; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that The Comptroller's office is authorized to make payments for all the above from SAP Account A.21009-2010-Public Safety 400 MHZ Communications System-Phase 3, for an amount not to exceed \$729,829.00; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that certified copies of this resolution will be forwarded to the County Executive, the Division of Budget and Management, the Commissioner of Emergency Services, two (2) copies to the Department of Public Works and one copy to the Erie County Comptroller.



Job Name: Erie County Emergency Services-2014 Date: 1/29/2015  
 Job Description: 400 MHz Interoperable Communications Systems Upgrades Phase 3 Time: 10:30am

**Electrical Construction  
 Bid Tabulation Sheet**

| Bidder                        | Base Bid            | Alt. #1 | Alt. #2 | Alt. #3 |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| <b>Goodwin Electric Corp.</b> | <b>\$325,000.00</b> | N/A     | N/A     | N/A     |
| M & M Electric                | \$326,000.00        | N/A     | N/A     | N/A     |
| Cir Electrical                | \$348,530.00        | N/A     | N/A     | N/A     |
| Patriot Towers Inc.           | \$413,714.00        | N/A     | N/A     | N/A     |
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|----------------------------|---------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| <b>Patriot Towers Inc.</b> | <b>\$309,134.00</b> | N/A     | N/A     | N/A     |
| Trason Development Corp.   | \$375,000.00        | N/A     | N/A     | N/A     |
|                            |                     |         |         |         |

Department of Public Works  
 Office of the Commissioner

TO: GREGORY GACH, DEPUTY, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE

PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS REQUIRING RULE 55

CONTRACT APPROVAL CHECKLIST  
CONFIRMATION OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS IN CAPITAL PROJECTS

| <u>REQUESTING DEPARTMENT</u>       | <u>COMPLETE ITEMS 1 THROUGH 5</u>   |
|------------------------------------|---|
| 1. CONTRACTOR'S NAME               | <u>Patriot Towers, Inc.</u><br><u>Goodwin Electric Corporation</u>  |
| 2. AMOUNT OF CONTRACT              | <u>Patriot Towers, Inc. \$309,134.00</u><br><u>Goodwin Electric Corporation \$325,500.00</u><br><u>Construction Contingency \$95,195.00</u>   |
| 3. PROJECT NUMBER                  | <u>A.21009-2010 Public Safety 400 MHZ</u><br><u>Communications System-Phase 3</u>   |
| 4. PROJECT TITLE                   | <u>Erie County Emergency Services –2014-</u><br><u>400MHz Interoperable Communication Systems</u><br><u>Upgrades- Phase 3-South Wales, Harris Hill, East</u><br><u>Aurora and Townsend Hill Tower Sites</u> |
| 5. DEPARTMENT CONTACT              | <u>Funding questions: Jeffrey P. Zack, PE at 8824</u><br><u>Letter pickup: Diane Bukowski at 8301</u>   |
| <u>COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE</u>        | <u>COMPLETE ITEMS 6 AND 7</u>   |
| 6. AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS           | <u>\$ 1,058,921.95</u>  |
| 7. PERFORMED BY                    | <u>Don Urban</u>  |
| Date Sent to Comptroller's Office: | <u>February 24, 2015</u>  |

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