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COUNTY OF ERIE

MARK C. POLONCARZ

COUNTY EXECUTIVE

March 09, 2015

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

Re: Budget Revision: WNY Stormwater Coalition MS4 Mapping Project

Dear Honorable Members:

Enclosed please find a memorandum and proposed resolution from the Department of Environment and Planning to authorize a budget revision for the *WNY Stormwater Coalition MS4 Mapping Project*. These budget revisions are approved by the granting agency and in accordance with New York State's contractual guidelines.

Should your Honorable Body require further information, I encourage you to contact Deputy Commissioner Thomas R. Hersey, Jr. at the Department of Environment and Planning. Thank you for your consideration on this matter.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Mark C. Poloncarz".

Mark C. Poloncarz, Esq.
Erie County Executive

MCP/cw
Enclosure

cc: Maria R. Whyte, Commissioner

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MEMORANDUM

To: Honorable Members of the Erie County Legislature
From: Department of Environment and Planning
Re: Budget Revision: WNY Stormwater Coalition MS4 Mapping Project
Date: March 09, 2015

SUMMARY

The Department of Environment and Planning (DEP) is seeking authorization for a budget revision for the WNY Stormwater Coalition Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Mapping Project. The budget revision is in accordance with the current project work plan and contractual requirements set forth by the granting agency, the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC).

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

There will be no impact on County resources.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

Approval of this resolution will allow Erie County to complete project obligations according to the current work plan and contractual requirements set forth by the granting agency, the NYSDEC.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

In 2002, the Erie County Department of Environment and Planning initiated a regional strategy to assist local municipal governments in Erie and Niagara County in understanding and complying with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Phase II stormwater regulations. This strategy included formation of the WNY Stormwater Coalition (WNYSC), a group consisting of representatives from Erie County, Niagara County, several local and state government agencies, 43 regulated entities, and environmental consultants. For the past twelve years the members of the WNYSC have met on a regular basis to collaborate on a comprehensive stormwater management program that complies with State and Federal regulations. The Phase II stormwater requirements include mapping storm sewer conveyance systems in accordance with the NYSDEC's MS4 General Permit (GP-0-10-1002) for stormwater discharges. The WNY Stormwater Coalition MS4 Mapping Project grant is structured to assist the WNYSC membership with meeting this aspect of their General Permit requirements.

CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION

Without the requested authorization, Erie County will be unable to fulfill its contractual obligations with the NYSDEC.

STEPS FOLLOWING APPROVAL

The grant budget will be revised as indicated.

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A RESOLUTION SUBMITTED BY:

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND PLANNING

RE: Budget Revision: WNY Stormwater
Coalition MS4 Mapping Project

WHEREAS, the Erie County Department of Environment and Planning (DEP) provides technical assistance to municipalities to assist them in complying with environmental regulations; and

WHEREAS, the State of New York, through its Department of Environmental Conservation, provides financial aid for stormwater compliance assistance projects; and

WHEREAS, the State of New York, through its Department of Environmental Conservation, granted Erie County \$1,055,969 to commence the WNY Stormwater Coalition: MS4 Mapping Project; and

WHEREAS, the Erie County Legislature authorized the County Executive to enter into an agreement with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (Comm. 6E-16); and

WHEREAS, the Erie County Legislature authorized the County Executive to appropriate the revenue from the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation into the Department of Environment and Planning SAP Grant Account: 162WNYSCMS4MP1115 (Comm. 2E-21); and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to revise the existing budget in accordance with the current project work plan and contractual requirements set forth by the granting agency.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that the grant budget for the WNY Stormwater Coalition MS4 Mapping Project is hereby revised in the Department of Environment and Planning, Business Area 162, as follows:

WNY Stormwater Coalition: MS4 Mapping Project
(Grant Period: 10/01/11-12/31/15), SAP Grant Account #162WNYSCMS4MP1115

REVENUE:

<u>Account</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Current Budget</u>	<u>Revision</u>	<u>Revised Budget</u>
409000	State Aid Revenue – New York State Department of Environmental Conservation	\$1,055,969	\$0	\$ 1,055,969
TOTAL REVENUE				\$ 1,055,969

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APPROPRIATIONS:

Account	Description	Current Budget	Revisions	Revised Budget
500000	Personnel Services	\$368,698	(\$48,142)	\$320,556
502000	Fringe Benefits	\$199,096	\$31,029	\$230,125
505000	Office Supplies	600	\$0	\$600
505800	Medical/Health	\$1,900	(\$248)	\$1,652
510000	Local Travel & Mileage	\$25,332	(\$25,332)	\$0
510100	Out of Area Travel	\$80	\$924	\$1,004
516020	Professional Service Contract	\$356,277	(\$73,663)	\$282,614
530000	Other Expenses	\$100	(\$27)	\$73
561410	Lab and Technical	\$22,130	(\$2,008)	\$20,122
916290	ID Env & Plan Grants	\$81,756	\$117,467	\$199,223
		\$1,055,969		\$1,055,969

TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS

\$1,055,969

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Director of the Division of Budget and Management is hereby authorized to implement any budget adjustments as required to comply with State and local funding requirements; 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 County Attorney; the County Comptroller; Maria R. Whyte, Commissioner of the Department of Environment and Planning; and Thomas Hersey, Jr., Deputy Commissioner of the Department of Environment and Planning.