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# COUNTY OF ERIE

**MARK C. POLONCARZ**  
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

March 11, 2016

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

**RE: Professional Engineering Services  
2016 Bridge Preservation Programs  
PIN 5761.30, 5761.31, 5761.32, 5761.33**

Dear Honorable Members:

Please find attached a resolution authorizing the County Executive to execute project change orders with project engineers, CHA Consulting, Inc. of Buffalo, New York for services for the 2016 Bridge Preservation programs.

Should your Honorable Body require further information, I encourage you to contact Commissioner John C. Loffredo of the Department of Public Works. Thank you for your consideration on this matter.

Sincerely,

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

Mark C. Poloncarz, Esq.  
Erie County Executive

MCP/DMS/dab

cc: John C. Loffredo, Department of Public Works

## **MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Honorable Members of the Erie County Legislature  
**From:** Department of Public Works/Office of the Commissioner  
**Re:** Professional Engineering Services  
2016 Bridge Preservation Program  
PIN 5761.30, 5761.31, 5761.32, 5761.33  
**Date:** March 11, 2016

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### **SUMMARY**

Authorization is requested to execute a project change order with the design engineer CHA Consulting of Buffalo, New York for services for the 2016 Bridge Preservation Program.

### **FISCAL IMPLICATIONS**

The total cost of this phase of the project is currently estimated at \$160,695. The project phase was previously approved and appropriated via Comm.7E-15 (2015) of April 23, 2015 from Fund 420, SAP Project B.15006, 2015 Preservation of Bridges & Culverts Design Program, in the amount of \$125,000. The current Project engineering phase increase in the amount of \$35,695, due to additional work scope revisions, is available from Fund 420, SAP Project B.00191, 2008 Preservation of Bridges and Culverts Program. The project increase is necessary for change orders to CHA Consulting Inc. contract for an expanded scope of work.

### **REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION**

The Erie County Department of Public Works has agreed to the Project increases, given the condition of the bridges which are being preserved.

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The County has 294 bridges averaging approximately 50 years in age. Age, natural elements, and use have precipitated the deterioration of many County bridges thereby accounting for the numerous conditions affecting long-term preservation.

### **CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION**

If conditions are not responded to in a reasonable time frame, access by the traveling public on the County bridges will be limited through load postings or closures based upon the severity of the condition. Not taking action will suspend long term preservation measures.

**STEPS FOLLOWING APPROVAL**

The County Executive will sign the negotiated change order and the project will continue to the completion of four separate preservation contracts addressing various bridges and various items of maintenance.

**COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE REVIEW**

The proposed legislation has been reviewed by the Office of the Comptroller and is related to an authorized capital project for which there is sufficient funding



Gregory Gach  
Deputy Comptroller  
Comptroller's Office

**BRYAN FIUME**  
**Associate Deputy Comptroller**

A RESOLUTION SUBMITTED BY:  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS  
DIVISION OF HIGHWAYS

RE: Professional Engineering Services  
2016 Bridge Preservation Programs  
PIN 5761.30, 5761.31, 5761.32, 5761.33

WHEREAS, design engineering services are necessary for the annual Bridge Preservation Program project PIN 5761.30,5761.31,5761.32,5761.33; and

WHEREAS, the contract was awarded to CHA Consulting Inc. of Buffalo, New York via Comm.7E-5 (2015) of April 23, 2015 from Fund 420, SAP Project B.15006, 2015 Preservation of Bridges & Culverts Design Program; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined a change in scope requires an increase to the professional engineering services contract with CHA Consulting, Inc. of Buffalo, New York in the amount of \$35,695.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the initial, estimated Project phase authorization of \$125,000 be increased by the amount of \$35,695 which is available from capital account Fund 420, SAP B.00191, 2008 Preservation of Bridge and Culverts Program; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive be authorized to execute negotiated change orders in the amount not to exceed the allowable Project total between the County of Erie and design engineer CHA Consulting, Inc. of Buffalo, New York for a change in work scope; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Legislature be instructed to forward three (3) certified copies of this resolution to the Department of Public Works, Office of the Commissioner, and one copy each to the Office of the County Executive, the Office 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>CHA Consulting, Inc.</u>                                                                            |
| 2. AMOUNT, CHANGE ORDER(S) | <u>\$35,695.00</u>                                                                                     |
| 3. PROJECT NUMBER          | <u>SAP B.00191</u>                                                                                     |
| 4. PROJECT TITLE           | <u>Professional Engineering Services<br/>2016 Bridge Preservation Project</u>                          |
| 5. DEPARTMENT CONTACT      | <u>Funding questions: Charles A. Sickler, PE at<br/>8372<br/>Letter pickup: Diane Bukowski at 8301</u> |

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE

COMPLETE ITEMS 6 AND 7

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| 6. AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS           | <u>\$ 35,695.77</u>      |
| 7. PERFORMED BY                    | <u>JOE MIRABELLI</u>     |
| Date Sent to Comptroller's Office: | <u>February 19, 2016</u> |

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