



# COUNTY OF ERIE

**MARK C. POLONCARZ**  
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

April 8, 2016

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

**Re: Authorization to Designate 2015 Funds into 2016 for Gasboy Camera System  
and Automatic Vehicle Locator System**

Dear Honorable Members:

Please find attached a resolution seeking legislative authorization to designate 2015 funds into the 2016 Budget in order to purchase security cameras and related technology for the Gasboy fuel system and to purchase new automatic vehicle locator devices for the County's vehicle fleet.

Both initiatives are designed to ensure greater transparency and monitoring of the usage of fuel and the locations of County vehicles and staff.

Should your Honorable Body require further information, I encourage you to contact the Division of Budget and Management. 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

MCP/tcc  
Enclosure

## **MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Honorable Members of the Erie County Legislature  
**From:** Division of Budget and Management  
**Re:** Authorization to Designate 2015 Funds into 2016 for Gasboy Camera System and Automatic Vehicle Locator System  
**Date:** April 8, 2016

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### **SUMMARY**

Legislative authorization is requested to designate 2015 funds into the 2016 Budget in order to purchase security cameras and related technology for the Gasboy fuel system and to purchase new automatic vehicle locator devices for the County's vehicle fleet.

Both initiatives are designed to ensure greater transparency and monitoring of the usage of fuel and the locations of County vehicles and staff.

### **FISCAL IMPLICATIONS**

The funds to be designated into 2016 from the 2015 Budget total \$141,000.

### **REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION/ BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The County has been working on a Gasboy upgrade project, including software, hardware, server and the pump readers. As a part of that project, and following investigations into County employees stealing gasoline from pumps, the County has been working on a project to install security cameras at Gasboy pumps. To complete the project, the County needs \$80,000 for the purchase and installation of the cameras, as well as for the connectivity and digital image storage and to hire the contractor, U&S Services, off of a state contract.

The County has been using an outdated ALV system for some years to monitor the location of County vehicles. The County conducted a review and desires to hire Verizon Wireless off of a state contract, to remove the existing old AVLs, and install new AVL devices. The new system will allow County managers to track and monitor the location and status of County vehicles at any time, including from smart phones or tablets – a feature which is not currently available in the existing AVL system. The cost of the purchase and installation of this solution is \$61,000.

The 2016 Budget does not include these funds; to hire the contractors and complete the projects, legislative authorization is requested to designate \$141,000 in funds from the 2015 Budget into the 2016 Budget and to appropriate said funds for each initiative.

### **CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION**

The camera security system for the County's Gasboy fueling sites will not be deployed, preventing an important security and control measure from existence. The County will not be

able to deploy a new automatic vehicle locator (“AVL”) system to track, at any time, the location of County vehicles and staff.

**STEPS FOLLOWING APPROVAL**

The Department of Public Works and Division of Information and Support Services will retain the contractors off of a state contract to provide and install the security camera system and the AVL system.

A RESOLUTION SUBMITTED BY:  
DIVISION OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT

**RE: Authorization to Designate 2015 Funds into 2016 for Gasboy Camera System and Automatic Vehicle Locator System**

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works, Division of Information and Support Services and Division of Budget and Management have been working on projects to facilitate greater transparency and security in the County's Gasboy fueling system and the County's vehicle fleet; and

WHEREAS, the County has been working on a Gasboy upgrade project, including new software, hardware, server and the pump readers; and

WHEREAS, as a part of that project, and following investigations into County employees stealing gasoline from pumps, the County has been working on a project to install security cameras at Gasboy pumps; and

WHEREAS, to complete the project, the County needs \$80,000 for the purchase and installation of the cameras, as well as for the connectivity and digital image storage and to hire the contractor, U&S Services, off of a state contract; and

WHEREAS, the County has been using an outdated automatic vehicle locator ("ALV") system for some years to monitor the location of County vehicles; and

WHEREAS, the County conducted a review and desires to hire Verizon Wireless off of a state contract, to remove the existing old AVLs, and install new AVL devices; and

WHEREAS, the new AVL system will allow County managers to track and monitor the location and status of County vehicles at any time, including from smart phones or tablets; and

WHEREAS, to purchase and install the AVLs, the County needs \$61,000 in funding; and

WHEREAS, both initiatives will enhance security, accountability and transparency in Erie County government for those utilizing vehicles and accessing the fueling system.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that authorization is provided to the County Executive to retain U&S Services for the Gasboy security camera initiative off of a state contract; and be it further

RESOLVED, that authorization is provided to the County Executive to retain Verizon Wireless for the automatic vehicle locator initiative off of a state contract; and be it further

RESOLVED, that authorization is hereby provided to the Director of Budget and Management to establish designations in 2015 for \$80,000 for the Gasboy security camera

initiative and \$61,000 for the automatic vehicle locator initiative, and to re-appropriate said funds into 2016; and be it further

RESOLVED, that authorization is hereby provided to the Division of Budget and Management to make the necessary budgetary adjustments to effectuate this resolution; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution will be forwarded to the County Executive, the Office of the Comptroller, the Division of Budget and Management, the Department of Public Works, and the Division of Information and Support Services.