

#### MARK C. POLONCARZ

COUNTY EXECUTIVE

December 14, 2017

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

RE: Erie County Soil and Water Conservation District Agreement

Technical Services and Stream Bank Maintenance Bridge and Culvert Scour Maintenance Program

**Change Order for Additional Funding** 

Dear Honorable Members:

Please find attached a proposed resolution requesting authorization to add funds to the Department of Public Works contract with Erie County Soils and Water Conservation District. These additional funds will reimburse Erie county Soils and Water for the emergency work which was needed to address scour issues at the Three Rod Road Bridge, BIN 3327360 after a heavy rain storm on July 13, 2017.

Should your Honorable Body require further information, I encourage you to contact Commissioner William E. Geary Jr. of the Department of Public Works. Thank you for your consideration on this matter.

Sincerely

Mark C. Poloncarz, Esq. Erie County Executive

MCP/dms/dab

cc: William E. Geary Jr. Department of Public Works

#### **MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Honorable Members of the Erie County Legislature

From: Department of Public Works

Re: Erie County Soil and Water Conservation District Agreement

Technical Services and Stream Bank Maintenance, Bridge and Culvert Scour Maintenance Program

Change Order for Additional Funding

Date: December 14, 2017

#### **SUMMARY**

We are requesting that the County Executive be authorized to execute a Change Order for a funding increase to an existing contract between Erie County Soils and Water Conservation District (ECSWCD) and the Department of Public Works. This agreement between ECSWCD and the Department of Public Works was authorized in Comm. 3E-24 (2017). These funds are required for the remedial work performed on the scour protection at the Three Rod Road Bridge, BIN 3327360 in the town of Alden. This was an emergency situation after a large rain storm on July 13, 2017.

#### FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The attached, proposed resolution requests that an amount of \$30,000 be allocated from Fund 420, Fund Center 123, SAP Project No. B.15011- 2015 Bridge Preservation Fund for a Change Order to ECSWCD's existing contract with the Department of Public Works.

#### **REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION**

It is necessary that this approval be granted so the Erie County Soil and Water Conservation District can be reimbursed for the necessary emergency scour protection work required at the Three Rod Road Bridge after the large rain storm on July 13, 2017.

## **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

During the storm of July 13, 2017 the south bridge abutment was severely scoured out. Earthen embankment material from behind and in front of the southern abutment was removed by the high and rapidly moving water. On the north abutment most of the existing scour protection was removed by the stream. The removal of this material exposed the footings/foundations of the bridge. The Erie County Soil and Water Conservation District provided technical and administrative services in addition to the funding for the construction contract to remediate and construction scour protection for the bridge.

## **CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION**

If authorization is not granted, we will not be able to continue with the Stream Maintenance Program work performed by the Erie County Soil and Water Conservation District for flood prevention work within Erie County. Erie County Bridges and Culverts will suffer from damage and deterioration due to soil erosion, water and debris flow.

### STEPS FOLLOWING APPROVAL

The County Executive will execute the referenced change order adding funds to the Department of Public Works existing contract with ECSWCD (Document No. 17-204-PW)

# COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE REVIEW

The proposed legislation has been reviewed by the Office of the Comptroller and it is related to an authorized capital project for which there are sufficient appropriations for the action proposed.

Gregory Gach

Deputy Comptroller Comptroller's Office

# TO: GREGORY GACH, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE

# PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS REQUIRING RULE 55

## CONTRACT APPROVAL CHECKLIST CONFIRMATION OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS IN CAPITAL PROJECTS

RE	QUESTING DEPARTMENT	COMPLETE ITEMS 1 THROUGH 5
1.	CONTRACTOR'S NAME	Erie County Soil and Water Conservation District.
2	AMOUNT OF INCREASE	\$30,000
3.	PROJECT NUMBER	B.15011
4.	PROJECT TITLE	EC Soil & Water Conservation District Bridge and Culvert Scour Maintenance Program Change Order for Additional Funding
5.	DEPARTMENT CONTACT	Funding questions: Charles A. Sickler, PE at 8372 Letter pickup: Diane Bukowski at 8301
CON	MPTROLLER'S OFFICE	COMPLETE ITEMS 6 AND 7
6.	AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS	\$ 694,381.66 Dreft R Windell-
7.	PERFORMED BY	graf R Windell-
Date	Sent to Comptroller's Office:	December 7, 2017

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

RE: Erie County Soil and Water Conservation District Agreement Technical Services and Stream Bank Maintenance Bridge and Culvert Scour Maintenance Program Change Order for Additional Funding

WHEREAS, the County of Erie has an existing contract with the Erie County Soil and Water Conservation District (ECSWCD) which was authorized in Comm. 3E-24 (2017) on February 23, 2017; and

WHEREAS, it has become necessary to execute a Change Order to that contract to add \$30,000 for repairs to the Three Rod Road Bridge, BIN 3327360, in the Town of Alden after a heavy rain storm; and

WHEREAS, the required funding is available from Fund 420, Fund Center 123, SAP Project No. B.15011- 2015 Preservation of Bridges Fund.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Legislature of the County of Erie approves the requested Change Order and addition of funds to the Department of Public Works current contract with the ECSWCD; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive is authorized to execute the subject Change Order and that \$30,000 be appropriated from Fund 420, Fund Center 123, SAP Project No. B.15011-2015 Bridge Preservation Fund and made available for the requested Change Order to the Department of Public Works current contract with the ECSWCD; and be it further

RESOLVED, that three (3) certified copies of this resolution be sent to the Department of Public Works, Office of the Commissioner, and one copy each to the Office of the County Executive, the Division of Budget, Management and Finance, and the Office of the Comptroller.

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