

#### MARK C. POLONCARZ

COUNTY EXECUTIVE

January 30, 2018

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

RE: Buffalo Niagara Convention Center – 2018 – Phase 2 Toilet Room

Renovations

Dear Honorable Members:

This resolution is requesting authorization for the County Executive to enter into a second Agreement Amendment with the architectural firm of BHNT Architects, P.C. for the Buffalo Niagara Convention Center – 2018 – Phase 2 Toilet Room Renovations project.

The first Agreement Amendment with BHNT Architects, P.C was to provide design and construction documents for the Buffalo Niagara Convention Center Miscellaneous 2014 Capital Renovation Project which included updates to four toilet rooms (Phase 1). Phase 2 will involve updating the finishes and replacement of plumbing fixtures to the remaining six toilet rooms.

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

Sincerely yours,

Mark C. Poloncarz, Esq. Erie County Executive

MCP/nt Enclosure

ce: William E. Geary, Commissioner of Public Works

#### MEMORANDUM

To:

Honorable Members of the Erie County Legislature

From:

Department of Public Works

Re:

Buffalo Niagara Convention Center - 2018 -

Phase 2 Toilet Room Renovations

Date:

January 30, 2018

#### **SUMMARY**

This resolution is requesting authorization for the County Executive to enter into a second Agreement Amendment with the architectural firm of BHNT Architects, P.C. to provide the design and construction documents for the Buffalo Niagara Convention Center – 2018 – Phase 2 Toilet Room Renovations project. This project involves updating the finishes and replacement of plumbing fixtures to the remaining six toilet rooms.

The first Agreement Amendment with BHNT Architects, P.C. was to provide design and construction documents for the Buffalo Niagara Convention Center Miscellaneous 2014 Capital Renovation Project which included updates to four toilet rooms.

#### **FISCAL IMPLICATIONS**

Funds for the project are currently available from the approved, as amended 2013 & 2014 capital budgets as follows:

SAP project A.13003 – 2013 Buffalo Niagara Convention Center Rehabilitation SAP project A.14002 - 2014 Buffalo Niagara Convention Center Rehabilitation

#### **REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION**

Upgrading the interior finishes of the remaining six toilet tooms will maintain a safe environment for the building occupants, improve water efficiency for the building, and preserve the building for a longer useful life.

#### BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The BNCC building was completed in 1976 and the ten toilet rooms have original finishes and plumbing fixtures from that time. Update of the interior finishes and replacement of plumbing fixtures for four toilet rooms were completed in 2017. Capital funds are now available to complete the renovations of the remaining six toilet rooms.

## **CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION**

If this project is not completed, the interior finishes of the remaining six toilet rooms will continue to be outdated, dark and unappealing for the building occupants, and the inefficient plumbing fixtures will negatively impact overall building water usage.

#### STEPS FOLLOWING APPROVAL

Upon Legislative approval, the County Executive will enter into a second Agreement Amendment with the architectural firm of BHNT Architects, P.C. for Architectural/Engineering Services to provide the design and construction documents for the 2018 Phase 2 Toilet Room Renovations project at Buffalo Niagara Convention Center.

### **COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE REVIEW**

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

GREGORY GACH

Deputy Comptroller Comptroller's Office

#### A RESOLUTION SUBMITTED BY: DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

RE: Buffalo Niagara Convention Center – 2018 Phase 2 Toilet Room Renovations

WHEREAS, the interior finishes of the remaining six toilet rooms will continue to be outdated, dark and unappealing for the building occupants, and the inefficient plumbing fixtures negatively impact overall building water usage; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature has previously authorized the County Executive to enter into a General Architectural/Engineering Services Agreement with BHNT Architects, P.C. to provide professional design and construction document services on Erie County Projects; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature has previously authorized the County Executive to issue an Agreement Amendment to BHNT Architects, P.C. to provide professional design and construction document services for the Buffalo Niagara Convention Center Miscellaneous 2014 Capital Renovation Project; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive is requesting authorization from the Legislature to issue a second Agreement Amendment to BHNT Architects, P.C. to provide design and construction document services for Buffalo Niagara Convention Center – 2018 – Phase 2 Toilet Room Renovations project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the County Executive is authorized to issue a second Agreement Amendment to BHNT Architects, P.C. to provide professional design and construction document services for Buffalo Niagara Convention Center – 2018 – Phase 2 Toilet Room Renovations project; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Comptroller's Office be authorized to make payment for the above from SAP Project Accounts as follows:

A.13003 – 2013 Buffalo Niagara Convention Center Rehabilitation \$ 7,898.13 A.14002 – 2014 Buffalo Niagara Convention Center Rehabilitation \$27,101.87

for an amount not to exceed \$35,000, including reimbursables and a design contingency; and be it further

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RESOLVED, that two certified copies of this resolution be sent to the Department of Public Works, Commissioner's Office, and one copy each to the Office of the County Executive, the Division of Budget and Management, Buffalo Niagara Convention Cente c/o Paul Murphy, 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

RE	QUESTING DEPARTMENT	COMPLETE ITEMS 1 THROUGH 5
1.	CONTRACTOR'S NAME	BHNT Architects, P.C.
2.	AMOUNT OF CONTRACT	Not to exceed \$35,000.00
3.	PROJECT NUMBER	A.13003 \$ 7,898.13 A.14002 \$27,101.87
4.	PROJECT TITLE	Buffalo Niagara Convention Center – 2018 – Phase 2 Toilet Room Renovations
5.	DEPARTMENT CONTACT	Funding questions: Natalie Tan, RA at x4954 Letter pickup: Diane Bukowski at x8301
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE COMPLETE ITEMS 6 AND 7		
6.	AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS	A.13003 \$ 7,898.13 40,066.92
7.	PERFORMED BY	and Killinbell.
Date Sent to Comptroller's Office:		January 19, 2018

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