

May 19, 2016

ENERGY & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE
REPORT NO. 9

ALL MEMBERS PRESENT, EXCEPT LEGISLATOR SAVAGE.
CHAIR MILLS PRESENT AS EX-OFFICIO MEMBER.

1. COMM. 5E-17 (2016)
COUNTY EXECUTIVE AS AMENDED

WHEREAS, the County of Erie advertised for and received responses to a request for proposals from consulting firms to perform professional services associated with the Erie County Sewer District (ECSD) No. 3 Southtowns Advanced Wastewater Facility (AWTF) No Feasible Alternative Analysis Report; and

WHEREAS, a review committee consisting of representatives from the Erie County Division of Sewerage Management was established to evaluate all responses to the County's request for proposals, using a consistent scoring matrix; and

WHEREAS, the proposal review committee recommends retaining GHD Consulting Services., Inc. to complete the requested consulting services; and

WHEREAS, Erie County Sewer District No.3 has adequate cash in its capital reserve account C. 00007 to fund the project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT,

RESOLVED, that GHD Consulting Services, Inc., be retained to perform professional services associated with the ECSD No. 3 No Feasible Alternative Analysis Report; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive be, and hereby is, authorized to execute an Agreement with GHD Consulting Services, Inc., (GHD) 285 Delaware Ave.- Suite 500, Buffalo, New York 14202 for these professional services in an amount not to exceed \$70,000.00, subject to approval as to content by the Commissioner of the Department of Environment and Planning and approval as to form by the County Attorney's office; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Director of Budget and the County Comptroller, be authorized to establish a Capital Project (C.16302) in "ECSD No. 3 NFA 0.07M" in Erie County Sewer District No.3; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Director of Budget and the County Comptroller be authorized to transfer \$70,000 from Erie County Sewer District No.3 capital reserve account C.00007 to Capital Project C.16302 and establish all necessary accounts to facilitate the transfer; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Legislature be directed to send one certified copy each of this Resolution to the County Executive, the Erie County Comptroller, the Director of Budget and Management, and Kristen Walder, Assistant County Attorney; and two (2) certified copies be sent to Joseph L. Fiegl, P.E. in the Division of Sewerage Management.
(4-0) Legislator Burke not present for vote.

2. COMM. 9E-5 (2016)
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

WHEREAS, the core mission of wastewater treatment plants is to protect public health and water quality; and

WHEREAS, these clean water facilities recover valuable resources – specifically water – from a major societal waste stream; and

WHEREAS, in 2013 the international Water Environment Federation began referring to wastewater treatment plants as “water resource recovery facilities” in all of its publications; and

WHEREAS, the term “water resource recovery facilities” better captures the function of treatment plants and attempts to reverse the ‘dirty’ perception of the clean water industry.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that this Honorable Body hereby authorizes the Erie County Division of Sewerage Management to pursue renaming all of the County of Erie owned wastewater treatment plants as water resource recovery facilities; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Legislature be directed to send a certified copy of this resolution to the County Executive and Joseph Fiegl, P.E. – Deputy Commissioner in the Division of Sewerage Management.
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3. COMM. 9E-6 (2016)
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

RESOLVED, the Erie County Legislature hereby confirms the appointment of Thomas R. Hersey Jr. of 17 Fallwood Ct, Tonawanda, NY 14223 to serve as the Erie County Commissioner of the Department of Environment & Planning.

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**TED B. MORTON
CHAIR**