

JULY 20, 2006

GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE  
REPORT NO. 12

ALL MEMBERS PRESENT EXCEPT LEGISLATOR RANZENHOFER. CHAIRMAN MARINELLI  
PRESENT AS EX-OFFICIO MEMBER.

1. RESOLVED, the following items are hereby received and filed:
  - a. COMM. 11D-6 (2006)  
**BUDGET DIRECTOR:** Copy of Letter to BOE Commissioners Re: BOE Budget (4-0)
  - b. COMM. 12D-10 (2006)  
**BOARD OF ELECTIONS:** Request for a Supplemental Appropriation to the 2006 Budget (4-0)
2. COMM. 10E-18 (2006)  
**COUNTY EXECUTIVE**  
WHEREAS, in 2005 the Department of Public Works experienced a 43% reduction in personnel, and

WHEREAS, as a result of the reduced staff, the department has endeavored to work in a more efficient manner, and

WHEREAS, in order to help achieve this goal, two positions (Architect – Job Grade 15 and Head Janitor – Job Grade 6) should be deleted and two positions (Architectural Draftswoman – Job Grade 9 and Assistant Electrical Engineer – Job Grade 11) be created, and

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works and the Department of Social Services have started an aggressive program to minimize the use of leased space, and

WHEREAS, in order to accomplish this task in a timely and efficient manner, this effort entails the use of a design team consisting of an Assistant Architect and Architectural Draftswoman, and

WHEREAS, the Department of Social Services has agreed to reimburse the Department of Public Works for a portion of the new Architectural Draftswoman and Assistant Architect positions, and

WHEREAS, the County has numerous electrical building components which require constant maintenance but no Assistant Electrical Engineer to oversee said maintenance, and

WHEREAS, B-100's have been prepared for the Assistant Electrical Engineer position (B-1985) and for the Architectural Draftswoman position (B-1872).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that one (1) permanent Architect (Job Grade 15) position be deleted in the Department of Public Works, Commissioner's Office and one (1) permanent Head Janitor (Job Grade 6) position be deleted in the Department of Public Works, Division of Buildings and Grounds, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Legislature authorizes the creation of one (1) permanent Assistant Electrical Engineer (Job Grade 11) position and one (1) permanent Architectural Draftswoman (Job Grade 9) position in the Department of Public Works, Commissioner's Office, and be it further

RESOLVED, that savings from the deleted positions will offset the creation of the above stated positions, and be it further

RESOLVED, the Director of Budget Management and Finance is authorized to establish interdepartmental billing as required for work performed by Department of Public Works for the Department of Social Services, and be it further

RESOLVED, that two certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Department of Public Works, Office of the Commissioner, and one copy each to the County Executive, the Commissioner of Personnel, the Director of Budget, Management and Finance, Commissioner of DSS and to the Office of the Comptroller.  
(4-0)

3. COMM. 12E-37  
**COUNTY EXECUTIVE**  
WHEREAS, at the time of the 2005 budget cuts, extreme cuts were made to the Department of Public Works, and

WHEREAS, many of those cuts involved supervisory personnel, and

WHEREAS, one such position was the Construction Inspector (JG 11) position, and

WHEREAS, construction inspection work still has to be done regardless of the fact that the Department of Public Works has 43% less personnel, and

WHEREAS, the CSEA Union filed and won a grievance that the former incumbent is working out of title, and

WHEREAS, a B-100, being No. 2118, has been prepared to create one Construction Inspector (JG 11).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT,

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Legislature authorize the creation of the position of Construction Inspector (JG 11), and be it further

RESOLVED, that the additional funding for this creation will come from the Department of Public Works salary line being SAP account number 500000, and be it further

RESOLVED, that two certified copies of this resolution be forwarded 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 & Finance, the Office of the Comptroller, and the Commissioner of Personnel.  
(4-0)

4. COMM. 12E-46 (2006)  
**COUNTY EXECUTIVE**

WHEREAS, the County purchased the Ticor Building for use as temporary office space for offices that were displaced during the Courts Master Plan Implementation Project, and

WHEREAS, the Courts Master Plan Implementation Project has been completed and the temporary office space located in the Ticor Building is no longer required, and

WHEREAS, the County has determined that the Ticor Building has sufficient space to relocate the County Attorney's Offices into County-owned facilities and eliminate leased space, and

WHEREAS, EI Team has a General Architectural/Engineering Agreement with Erie County dated July 15, 2004, and

WHEREAS, EI Team has the necessary manpower to complete the design and construction documents by August 1, 2006.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT,

RESOLVED, that the Commissioner of Public Works be authorized to issue a Supplemental Agreement to EI Team to prepare design and construction documents for a fee not to exceed \$40,000, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Comptroller's Office be authorized to make payments for all of the above from the 2002 Code Compliance and Reconstruction of County Buildings account, Project A.00047, and be it further

RESOLVED, that two 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 & Finance, and the Office of the Comptroller.  
(4-0)

5. COMM. 13E-13 (2006)  
**COUNTY EXECUTIVE**

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works, Division of Highways, has six Laborer positions vacant, and

WHEREAS, as the Motor Equipment Operator (MEO) position is able to perform more duties for only less than \$2 per hour more, it is desirable to have MEO positions in lieu of Laborers, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Legislature authorizes the creation of five (5) MEO positions, and be it further

RESOLVED, that B-100 number 2159 has been created for the proposed five (5) MEO positions and deleting six (6) Laborers and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Legislature authorizes the deletion of six (6) vacant Laborer positions being position numbers 5757, 4194, 5709, 5722, 5694, and 5749, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the difference in cost between the additional positions and the deletions will be paid from vacancy savings in SAP Account number 500000, and be it further

RESOLVED, that two certified copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Commissioner of Public Works, the Office of the County Executive, the Division of Budget, Management & Finance, the Commissioner of Personnel, and the Office of the Comptroller.  
(4-0)

**GEORGE A. HOLT**  
**CHAIRMAN**