

July 7, 2003

GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS
COMMITTEE
REPORT NO. 8

ALL MEMBERS PRESENT.

1. Item Page -2003 (Comm. 13D-7)

PERSONNEL

WHEREAS, the Erie County Personnel Department is responsible for the administration of unemployment insurance claims against the County, and

WHEREAS, the County of Erie is self-insured for such claims and must, therefore, be diligent in the review and challenging of improper claims to minimize unemployment, expenses and

WHEREAS, the Personnel Department wishes to continue to retain the services of a consultant at an annual cost of \$5,500 to assist department staff in the administration of Unemployment Insurance Cost Control program, and

WHEREAS, since the inception of our contract with Anthony Antoniadis, Business & Office Personnel, the County of Erie has saved a total of \$1,520,534.70.

WHEREAS, the Personnel Department believes this cost control program will allow the County to be more successful in the administration and challenging of unemployment insurance claims,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the County Personnel Department be authorized to retain an Unemployment Claims Consultant at an annual cost of \$5,500.

BE IT FURTHER,

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to the County Executive Department, the Division of Budget, Management and Finance and the Department of Personnel.
(5-0)

2. Item Page -2003 (Comm. 13E-72)

COUNTY EXECUTIVE

WHEREAS, In January 2003, the Department of Personnel submitted a grant request for over \$150,000.00 for safety training to the New York State Department of Labor Hazard Abatement Board (NYSDOL HAB) and on May 12, 2003, the Erie County Department of Personnel was notified that the grant request was approved in the amount of \$77,162.00, and

WHEREAS, in order to fulfill the requirements of the grant, Erie County needs to hire a consultant to perform the training that is experienced and approved by NYSDOL HAB, and

WHEREAS, RFP's were received for this work and Great Lakes Environmental was found to be the most qualified firm meeting the criteria, and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Personnel for Erie County recommends that the grant be accepted and a contract awarded to Great Lakes Environmental for \$77,162.00 to perform the training that is included in this grant,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT,

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Legislature accepts the \$77,162.00 grant from NYSDOL HAB and authorizes a contract be entered into between New York State and Erie County in that regard, and be it further,

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Legislature hereby authorizes that a contract be issued to Great Lakes Environmental for \$77,162.00 to perform the training included in this grant, and be it further,

RESOLVED, that two certified copies of this resolution be sent to the Department of Personnel, Office of the Manager of Workers Compensation; one copy to the Director of Budget Management and Finance; and one copy to the Office of the Comptroller.
(5-0)

3. Item Page -2003 (Comm. 13E-73)

COUNTY EXECUTIVE

WHEREAS, Erie County has completed construction of a Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) Refueling Station at the Erie County Medical Center; and

WHEREAS, the Station was built with funding from a Federal Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) Improvement grant; and

WHEREAS, in order to efficiently utilize this facility and to meet the requirements of the CMAQ grant, it is necessary to make the Station available for use by other governmental agencies; and

WHEREAS, the sale of fuel to outside governmental agencies will result in unanticipated revenue; and

WHEREAS, in order to purchase natural gas and procure maintenance services, the 2003 Fleet Services budget of the Division of Information and Support Services (DISS) requires revision of expense and revenue accounts,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the County is authorized to enter into the necessary agreements with outside governmental agencies to establish refueling accounts; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the unanticipated revenue from outside governmental agencies in the amount of \$58,500 is hereby appropriated to the DISS Fleet Services budget as follows:

SFG REVENUE

487 – Other General Services-Other Governments
(Sale of Compressed Natural Gas)

\$58,500

TOTAL REVENUE

\$58,500

SFG EXPENSES

820 - Utility Charges

\$44,460

823 - Repairs and Maintenance

14,040

TOTAL EXPENSES

\$58,500

and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be sent to the Director of the Division of Budget, Management and Finance; Laurence K. Rubin, Commissioner of Environment and Planning; Arthur J. Trellaak, Jr., Director of the Division of Information and Support Services; Michael Raab, Deputy Commissioner of Environment and Planning; the County Comptroller; and the County Attorney.
(5-0)

STEVEN P. McCARVILLE
CHAIRMAN