

January 12, 2017

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE  
REPORT NO. 1

ALL MEMBERS PRESENT.

1. COMM. 1E-17 (2017)  
**COUNTY EXECUTIVE**

WHEREAS, there is an urgent need to reduce the backlog of Central Police Services (CPS) firearm cases, necessitating a personnel adjustment in the Forensic Laboratory.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that authorization is hereby provided to delete the position of Part Time Forensic Biologist I (Job Group 11, step 0) and create the position of Part Time Firearms Examiner III (Job Group 12, step 0) in the Department of Central Police Services grant #165AIDCRLAB1617 (B-100 #8931); and be it further

RESOLVED, that authorization is hereby provided to adjust the grant in the budget of the Department of Central Police Services as follows:

Grant #165AIDCRLAB161, Fund 281  
Central Police Services  
7/1/16-6/30/17

<u>Revenue</u>	<u>Increase</u>
479000 County Share Contribution	\$750.00

<u>Expense</u>	<u>Increase</u>
500010 Salaries- Part Time	\$750.00

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Erie County Executive, the Division of Budget and Management, Division of Personnel and the Department of Central Police Services, attention: Brian Speers.  
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2. COMM. 1E-18 (2017)  
**COUNTY EXECUTIVE**

WHEREAS, New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services (NYS DHSES) has awarded \$150,000.00 to the Erie County Sheriff's Office in funding specifically allocated to agencies with established bomb squad units; and

WHEREAS, at the time of the grant application the Erie County Sheriff's Office must submit a specific list of training modules and the NYSDHSES approved consultants; and

WHEREAS, the NYSDHSES must approve the training vendors prior to the awarding of the grant; and

WHEREAS, the NYSDHSES approved training and vendors for this grant are as followed:

1. Yarborough Group - Explosive Breaching Training
2. Tactical Energetic Entry Systems - Explosive Breaching Training
3. Tactical Electronics - Advanced I.E.D. Electronics Training
4. Delaware Companies - Regional Leadership Training

; and

WHEREAS, authorization is required from the Erie County Legislature for the County Executive to enter into contract and accept \$150,000.00 in federal resources to provide funds for equipment to protect the residents of Erie County and the State of New York from terrorist attacks involving explosive devices; and

WHEREAS, there will be no impact on County tax dollars.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Legislature does hereby authorize the County Executive to enter into contract with the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services to receive \$150,000.00 in grant funding for the Erie County Sheriff's Office; and be it further

RESOLVED, that authorization is hereby provided to the Division of Budget and Management to establish funding in the Grant Fund 281, as follows:

Erie County Sheriff's Office  
2017 Bomb Squad Grant

<u>ACCOUNT #</u>	<u>INCREASE</u>
414000 - Federal Revenue	\$ 150,000.00

<u>ACCOUNT #</u>	<u>INCREASE</u>
561410 - Lab & Technical Equipment	\$80,000.00
510200 - Training & Education	\$70,000.00

; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Sheriff's Office is authorized to enter into agreements with the aforementioned NYSDHSES approved vendors for the described training not to exceed the \$70,000.00 provided by the grant, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Director of Budget and Management is herby authorized to establish and adjust budgets as required to comply with State and Federal approved funding levels; and be it further

RESOLVED, the Division of Budget and Management is authorized to make any technical adjustments necessary to effectuate this transfer should there be any unforeseen issues; and be it further

RESOLVED, the Erie County Comptroller's Office is hereby authorized to release the designated funds and make payments as necessary; and be it further

RESOLVED, certified copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Erie County Executive, Division of Budget and Management, Purchasing Department, the County Attorney's office, Erie County Comptroller's Office, and the Chief of Administration of the Sheriff's office for implementation.  
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3. COMM. 1E-19 (2017)  
**COUNTY EXECUTIVE AS AMENDED**

WHEREAS, the Jail Management Division finds it necessary to make certain purchases for the safe and efficient operation of the Erie County Holding Center and Erie County Correctional Facility; and

WHEREAS, the correctional facility is currently operating with one working steam kettle in the kitchen to prepare inmate meals; and

WHEREAS, the staff has been forced to eliminate or greatly reduce the amount and number of hot meals to inmates; and

WHEREAS, the second steam kettle is often in a state of disrepair and, due to its age, is becoming increasingly more difficult and expensive to repair; and

WHEREAS, The Jail Management Division's Quick Extraction Team (QET) provides immediate and trained response when and inmate becomes violent and negotiations and tactical fail to bring the inmate into compliance; and

WHEREAS, QET members wear protective gear to reduce the potential for injuries, however, the current gear is over a decade old and many pieces are broken and cannot be repaired; and

WHEREAS, the Jail Management Division will be replacing thirty varying sizes of QET protective suits at the holding center and the correctional facility; and

WHEREAS, the Sheriff's office maintains and chaplain unit to provide religious services and spiritual counseling to inmates of varying faiths and beliefs, and

WHEREAS, the Sheriff's office seeks to enter into agreements with to additional religious leaders for inmate services, and

WHEREAS, Telephone Revenue funds will be used to purchase the requested equipment and the agreements for two additional Chaplain Unit members; and

WHEREAS, a few years ago the Sheriff and parks commissioner discussed utilizing property adjacent to the Erie County Correctional Facility to grow native trees to aid in reforestation efforts in county parks; and

WHEREAS, the Sheriff's jail management division has initiated an inmate arbor and nursery training and service action corps and will partner with the County Parks Department, Erie County Soil and Water District, Re-Tree WNY, and other local interested organizations to supplement re-forestry efforts throughout Erie County; and

WHEREAS, the inmates will provide services to the County Parks Department, with an approved agreement with ASFME membership, for tree care and nursery services; and

WHEREAS, funds will be utilized to purchase two new transport and service vans as well as two new work and storage trailers; and

WHEREAS, the Erie County Sheriff's Office will work with the Division of Purchasing to gather necessary bids for all appropriate items; and

WHEREAS, there will be no impact on county tax dollars with the appropriation of the Jail Telephone Revenue funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that \$131,000.00 in available Telephone Revenue Funds are hereby transferred to the appropriate Erie County Sheriff's Office accounts; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the legislature does hereby authorize the following budgetary transactions:

ERIE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Jail Management

REVENUE

415622

Jail Telephone Revenue funds

DECREASE

\$ 136,000.00

SHERIFF APPROPRIATION

516020

Professional Services & Fees

\$ 4,000.00

561410

Lab & Tech Equipment

\$ 17,000.00

506200

Maintenance & Repairs

\$ 31,000.00

561440

Motor Vehicles

\$ 84,000.00

Total Appropriations

\$ 136,000.00

; and be it further

RESOLVED, the legislature does hereby authorize the County Executive and the Sheriff's office to enter into agreements with Edward Mayfield and Cleveland Howell at a rate of \$50.00 per service; and be it further

RESOLVED, the Division of Budget and Management is authorized to make any technical adjustments necessary to effectuate this transfer should there be any unforeseen issues; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Sheriff's Office and the Division of Budget and Management are authorized to have any unused funding either remain in or returned to Telephone Revenue account; and be it further

RESOLVED, the Erie County Comptroller's Office is hereby authorized to release the designated funds and make payments as necessary; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies be forwarded to the Division of Budget and Management, the County Executive, the Erie County Comptroller, the Division of Purchase and the Chief of Administration of the Sheriff Office for implementation.

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**EDWARD A. RATH, III**  
**CHAIR**