

July 20, 2017

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
REPORT NO. 13

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

1. COMM. 1E-19 (2017)
COUNTY EXECUTIVE AS AMENDED

WHEREAS, the Erie County Sheriff's Office is charged with securing the facilities and maintaining a safe housing and workplace environment; and

WHEREAS, one of the greatest threats to inmates, officers, and civilian personnel is contraband which includes drugs, cell phones, weapons, small metal objects, and various other items; and

WHEREAS, contraband can be used to as a form of currency to get inmates to commit violent acts; and

WHEREAS, drug contraband can endanger the lives of inmates and jail personnel; and

WHEREAS, during the current drug epidemic, inmates and visitors conceive new methods to smuggle drugs into the facilities to feed a destructive drug addiction which negates the Division of Correctional Health's detox and addiction therapy initiatives; and

WHEREAS, although the Sheriff's Office has taken increased measures to stem the flow of contraband into the Erie County Holding Center and Erie County Correctional Facility, inmates and visitors continually attempt new plans to smuggle illegal items into the detention facilities; and

WHEREAS, through the Sheriff's ongoing efforts to stop the flow of any contraband, the office has researched a portable, full-body, ferromagnetic detection system that can detect all cell phones, whether the device is powered on or off, small metal objects and weapons, lighters, and foil packages which traditional magnetometers can miss; and

WHEREAS, this anti-contraband and safety device is portable and can be deployed anywhere inmates, personnel, vendors, and visitors have access to the facilities; and

WHEREAS, Metrasens has developed the world's first portable, one-piece, full-body ferromagnetic detection system and has provided a sole source statement indicating the company is a sole source vendor for these specific devices and services, and it is necessary for the Legislature to waive the RFP procedures and award this contract based on the review and evaluation of received documentation and research into the detection and safety device; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with COMM. 6E-24, 2013, the County Executive and the Sheriff agree that telephone revenue should be dedicated to the operation of the holding center and the correctional facility and recommend the contraband detection devices be purchased to ensure inmate welfare; and

WHEREAS, Telephone Revenue funds will be used to purchase the three (3) contraband detection systems and two (2) wall-mount installation kits as well as receive on-site training and certification by company trainers; and

WHEREAS, the balance of the Telephone Revenue account is \$869,313.17, 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 \$40,000.00 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		
<u>REVENUE</u>		<u>DECREASE</u>
415622	Jail Telephone Revenue funds	\$ 40,000.00
<u>SHERIFF APPROPRIATION</u>		<u>INCREASE</u>
561410	Lab and Tech	\$ 40,000.00
Total Appropriations		\$ 40,000.00

; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Legislature does hereby waive the procedures provided for in Section 19.08 of the Erie County Administrative Code to secure the services of Metrasens to provide equipment, installation kits, and training for the anti-contraband detection devices; 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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2. COMM. 13E-35 (2017)
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Erie County Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Services to retain a software consultant to assist in integrating new mapping and geocoding software into the current countywide dispatch system and to upgrade various components to improve the overall functionality of the system; and

WHEREAS, a Request for Proposal (RFP) was issued by Erie County and among the proposals submitted, Globalquest Staffing Solutions Inc. was deemed to have submitted the best overall proposal by the selection committee; and

WHEREAS, the firm of Globalquest Staffing Solutions, Inc. is a New York State Certified Women-Owned Business (WBE) as designated by the NYS Department of Economic Development, Division of Minority and Women's Business Development.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Executive be, and hereby is, authorized to issue a purchase order to Globalquest Staffing, Inc.; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the funding for this contract is hereby authorized in grant HS167SICG1617 account 516020; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be sent to the County Executive's Office, the Division of Budget and Management, the Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Services c/o

Melissa Calhoun, the Department of Central Police Services c/o Marlaine Hoffman, the County Comptroller, and the County Attorney.
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3. COMM. 13E-36 (2017)
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

WHEREAS, the Department of Social Services Division of Youth Services has a 64-bed secure youth detention facility located at 810 East Ferry Street licensed by New York State Office of Family and Children Services, and

WHEREAS, New York State regulation 180.9 (9 CRR-NY 180.9) dictates education program requirements for secure institutional detention facilities, and

WHEREAS, the Youth Services division conducted a thorough RFP process to determine the best suitable educational provider for youth during their required stay at the Erie County Secure Youth Detention Center, and

WHEREAS, the a review committee of three persons unanimously recommended Baker Victory Services be the provider of educational services at Erie Secure Youth Detention for the 2017-18 school year, and

WHEREAS, the Youth Services division has available balances within their current budget to contract with Baker Victory Services for educational services for the months of September through December 2017, and anticipates funding being available in the adopted 2018 budget for the remaining 8 months of the 2017-18 school year ending August 31, 2018.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the County Executive is hereby authorized to contract with Baker Victory Services in the amount of \$435,000 to provide educational services at Erie Secure Youth Detention for the 2017-18 school year, funding being available in account 516020, professional services, of the Youth Services division for September through December 2017 and contingent upon approval in 2018 adopted budget for the remaining 8 months of the 2017-18 school year ending August 31, 2018, and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be transmitted to the County Executive, the Division of Budget and Management, the Office of the Comptroller, the Department of Social Services, and the Division of Youth Services.
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4. COMM. 13E-40 (2017)

COUNTY EXECUTIVE

WHEREAS, the Department of Central Police Services requires as external DNA audit be conducted to assure compliance with FBI Quality Assurance Standards; and

WHEREAS, there are sufficient funds in the 165DNABACKLOG2017 grant, fund 281, account #516020 to provide this service; and

WHEREAS, the Erie County Legislature has the authority, under Article III Section 7.b and Section 19.08 of the Erie County Administrative Code to waive the bidding procedures and the Request for Proposal (RFP) process; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Central Police Services recommends that a purchase order be issued with the National Forensic Science Technology Center (NFSTC), a recognized leader in the forensic science community for helping to improve the quality at laboratories conducting DNA analysis.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that in order to commence the external DNA audit, the Erie County Legislature hereby waives the request for proposals process and bidding procedures; and be it further

RESOLVED, that authorization is hereby provided to issue a purchase order to the National Forensic Science Technology Center, in the amount of \$8,256 to conduct a quality assurance audit of the Forensics Laboratory; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the funding for this contract in the 165DNABACKLOG2017 grant, fund 281, account 516020 – professional services is hereby authorized to be appropriated for the external audit; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Erie County Executive, the Division of Budget and Management, the office of the Comptroller and the Department of Central Police Services, attention: Brian Speers.

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EDWARD A. RATH, III
CHAIR