

April 20, 2017

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
REPORT NO. 7

CHAIR

ALL MEMBERS PRESENT.

1. COMM. 7E-15 (2017)
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

WHEREAS, the County of Erie, by and through the Erie County Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Services, wishes to access and use the Sturgeon Point Tower site, leased from the Erie County Water Authority by US Customs and Border Protection, to install, operate, maintain and repair certain communication equipment, which will improve or enhance communication between first responders; and

WHEREAS, the Erie County Water Authority expresses US Customs and Border Protection permission for the Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Services, its employees and contractors to access and use the Sturgeon Point tower to install, operate, maintain and repair certain communication equipment; and

WHEREAS, authorization is required from the Erie County Legislature for the County Executive to enter into an agreement with US Customs and Border Protection for space on the Sturgeon Point tower at no cost to the County; and

WHEREAS, this contract, which will be managed by the Erie County Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Services, will remain effective for as long as US Customs and Border Protection maintains the Erie County Water Authority lease.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Legislature does hereby authorize the County Executive to enter into an agreement beginning May 1, 2017 with US Customs and Border Protection for the purposes of providing tower space for 400 MHz interoperable communications system at no cost to the County; 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 Personnel, the Department of Homeland Security & Emergency Services c/o Melissa Calhoun, the County Comptroller, and the County Attorney.
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