

October 30, 2012

GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
REPORT NO. 12

ALL MEMBERS PRESENT, EXCEPT LEGISLATOR HARDWICK.

1. RESOLVED, the following item is hereby received and filed:

a. COMM. 18D-2 (2012)
COUNTY ATTORNEY: "Transmittal of New Claims Against EC"
(4-0)

2. COMM. 18E-8 (2012)
COUNTY CLERK
WHEREAS, the Erie County Legislature previously authorized the Erie County Clerk to act as a retail sales agent for the NYS Thruway Authority in the sale of E-Z Pass Tags (Comm. 12E-17/2012); and

WHEREAS, the sale of these tags has been met with great enthusiasm from the public that visit the County Clerk's Auto Bureau and Clerk's Registrar Office; and

WHEREAS, the Erie County Clerk purchases E-Z Pass Tags at a unit price of \$21.00 and is authorized to sell them to the public at \$25.00 per tag, with the County retaining \$4.00 in revenue for every tag sold; and

WHEREAS, the Clerk's 2012 Budget needs to be adjusted to allow for the unanticipated increase in the sale of these tags.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Legislature does hereby authorize the following budgetary adjustment in the 2012 Budget:

Erie County Clerk's Office, Fund 110
Fund Center 11310

<u>Revenue</u>	
415185 E-Z Pass Tag Sales	\$6,300
<u>Expense</u>	
507000 E-Z Pass Supplies	\$6,300

and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be sent to the County Clerk, the Director of Budget and Management and the County Comptroller.
(4-0)

3. COMM. 18E-20 (2012)
COUNTY CLERK
WHEREAS, the Erie County Clerk Registrar's Division is responsible for recording, filing and maintaining a central repository of legal documents and records affecting property titles, including land and real estate transactions; and

WHEREAS, the County Clerk currently has a maintenance agreement with NewVision for document management and workflow to record, archive and retrieve official records maintained by the Clerk; and

WHEREAS, recording of mortgages, deeds, assignments of mortgages and tax warrants account for almost 50% of the activity in the Land Records Division; and

WHEREAS, changes recently enacted into law by the New York State Legislature now allow for the electronic recording of land records (eRecording); and

WHEREAS, to better improve service delivery the Clerk would also like to implement the electronic acceptance and filing of Tax Warrants and Tax Warrant Satisfactions from the New York State Department of Taxation and Finance – approximately 25,000 documents annually; and

WHEREAS, in order to implement software upgrades to allow for electronic recording of the above documents an amendment and extension to the current maintenance agreement is required, and

WHEREAS, after careful review it has been determined that it is in the best interest of the County to exercise our option to renew the maintenance agreement for five-years and terms favorable to the County have been agreed upon.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Legislature does hereby authorize the County Executive to enter into an amendment to the current maintenance agreement with NewVision for 2013 and a related five-year extension; and be it further

RESOLVED, that said amendment will include system upgrades for eRecording and the electronic submission of Tax Warrants and Tax Warrant Satisfactions at no development and implementation cost to the County; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the only additional funds required for the amendment to the last year of the current agreement will be the costs associated with the maintenance of the new upgrades in the amount of \$7,022; and be it further

RESOLVED, that funding for this increase over the 2013 budgeted amount is available in the County Clerk's 2012 budget; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Budget Director and Comptroller are hereby authorized to make all necessary budget adjustments relative to this funding; and be it further

RESOLVED, that funding for the years 2014-2019 will be included as part of the annual budget process; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be sent to the County Executive, the County Clerk, the Director of Budget and Management, the Department of Law, and the County Comptroller.
(4-0)

THOMAS J. MAZUR
CHAIR