

June 28, 2012

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
REPORT NO. 9

ALL MEMBERS PRESENT, EXCEPT LEGISLATOR RATH.
CHAIR GRANT PRESENT AS EX-OFFICIO MEMBER.

1. COMM. 12E-10 (2012)
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

WHEREAS, the Erie County Department of Public Works' Division of Buildings and Grounds provides security services for buildings in Erie County government; and

WHEREAS, in 2010, the prior administration deleted 9 out of 10 Building Guard titles and 1 out of 6 watch attendants, leaving the County with only 5 Watch Attendants, 1 Building Guard and 2 Shift Supervisors to provide security services for all County buildings; and

WHEREAS, by virtue of their title and qualifications, Watch Attendants cannot perform all of the same security functions as Building Guards; and

WHEREAS, one Watch Attendant retired in March 2012, leaving a gap in coverage and new overtime expense, and the former employee's cash-out of accumulated leave time ends on June 20th; and

WHEREAS, by deleting the vacant Watch Attendant title and adding a Building Guard title, the Department of Public Works will immediately have more flexibility for scheduling and deployment of resources to provide security while simultaneously working to reduce overtime expense.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Legislature hereby authorizes the deletion of the vacant position of Watch Attendant, job group 3 (position number 10434) in the Department of Public Works and the addition of one Building Guard, job group 4 (B-100 #6914); and be it further

RESOLVED, that said personnel transaction does not require 2012 budget adjustment, for the budgeted salary of the deleted position offsets the cost of the position added; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution will be forwarded to the County Executive, the Office of the Comptroller, the Department of Personnel, the Division of Budget and Management, and the Department of Public Works.
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TIMOTHY R. HOGUES
CHAIR