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COUNTY OF ERIE

#### MARK C. POLONCARZ COUNTY EXECUTIVE

July 9, 2012

**Erie County Legislature** 92 Franklin Street - 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Buffalo, New York 14202

#### Erie Community College - City Campus- Exterior Restoration Project RE: **Increase in Scope of Work**

Dear Honorable Members:

During the exterior restoration project of the old Post Office building, unforeseen conditions have been uncovered and the existing steel supports and cornice at the port cochere need repair. Upon removal of the front entrance steps the foundation walls have deteriorated to the point where they need to be reconstructed. The additional repairs are necessary to preserve the building and the historical structure.

This resolution is requesting authorization to increase the construction contingency for additional work and consultant fees.

Should your Honorable Body require further information, I encourage you to contact Commissioner John C. Loffredo at the Department of Public Works. Thank you for your consideration on this matter.

Sincerely yours,

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Mark. C. Poloncarz, Esq. **Erie County Executive** 

MCP/bb Enclosure

cc: John Loffredo, Department of Public Works

#### MEMORANDUM



To:	Honorable Members of the Erie County Legislature
From:	Department of Public Works
Re:	Erie Community College - City Campus
	Exterior Restoration Project- Increase in Scope of Work
Date:	June 28, 2012

### **SUMMARY**

This resolution is requesting authorization for the County Executive to increase the construction contingency for unforeseen conditions and increase in the scope of work. The additional work will continue to restore the building exterior components and will preserve the building and its historical architecture.

# FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

Funds for the project are available from the approved 2011 - E.11004- ECC Masonry Restoration. New York State will reimburse the County for 50% of the costs.

# **REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION**

The additional scope of work will preserve the building and its historical architecture for years to come.

# **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Both the construction contingency fund and the Architect have been previously approved by the Erie Community College, Erie County Legislature and the County Executive's office for this work.

# **CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION**

If the exterior of the ECC –City Campus main building (old Post Office) is not restored, the building components and infrastructure will continue to deteriorate and infiltrate water to the point where the building will no longer be usable and will have to be closed, leaving the City Campus without teaching and classroom space.

# **STEPS FOLLOWING APPROVAL**

The construction contingency fund will be increased from \$400,000.00 to \$650,000.00.

# **COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE REVIEW**

The proposed legislation has been reviewed by the Comptroller's Office and is related to an authorized capital project for which there are sufficient appropriations for the action proposed.

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Deputy Comptroller Comptroller's Office

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#### A RESOLUTION SUBMITTED BY: DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

#### RE: Erie Community College City Campus - Exterior Restoration Project Increase in Scope of Work

WHEREAS, previously contracts were awarded to Picone Construction and Flynn Battaglia Architects to implement the project; and

WHEREAS, during the exterior restoration, unforeseen conditions have been uncovered requiring repair to steel supports and cornice at the port cochere, and the deteriorated foundation at the main entrance steps; and

WHEREAS, additional repairs are needed to preserve the building and historic structure,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the County Executive is hereby authorized to increase the current Contingency Fund by \$250,000.00 from \$400,000.00 to \$650,000.00 to cover the additional consultant fees and construction work; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the deduct change orders will result in these funds returned to the Contingency Fund; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the project will receive 50% reimbursement from New York State; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Comptroller's office be authorized to make payments for all of the above from SAP Project E.11004 – 2011- ECC Masonry Restoration Project for an amount not to exceed \$250,000; and be it further

RESOLVED, that two certified copies of this resolution be sent to the Department of Public Works, Commissioner's Office, and one copy each to the Office of the County Executive, the Division of Budget and Management, Erie Community College-Chief Financial Officer, and the Office of the Comptroller.

# TO: LORNE STEINHART, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS REQUIRING RULE 55

#### CONTRACT APPROVAL CHECKLIST

#### **CONFIRMATION OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS IN CAPITAL PROJECTS**

\$250,000.00

**REQUESTING DEPARTMENT** 

**COMPLETE ITEMS 1 THROUGH 5** 

1. CONTRACTOR'S NAME

Construction Contingency Fund

- 2. AMOUNT OF CONTRACT
- 3. **PROJECT NUMBER**

E11094

4. PROJECT TITLE

ECC City Campus- Exterior Restoration

Increase in Scope of Work

Funding questions: Jeffrey P. Zack #8824

Letter pickup: Diane Bukowski at 8301

**COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE** 

6. AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

DEPARTMENT CONTACT

7. PERFORMED BY

Date sent to Comptroller's Office:

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**COMPLETE ITEMS 6 AND 7** 

June 28, 2012