

October 3, 2019

ENERGY & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE
REPORT NO. 11

ALL MEMBERS PRESENT.

CHAIR BASKIN PRESENT AS EX-OFFICIO MEMBER.

1. RESOLVED, the following items are hereby received and filed:
 - a. COMM. 11D-1 (2019)
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT & PLANNING: “SEQR – Negative Declaration of EC Parks Master Plan Update Adoption”
(Chair’s Ruling)
 - b. COMM. 19E-14 (2019)
COUNTY EXECUTIVE: “ECSD Nos. 1, 4 & 5 – Construction Inspection Term Contract Agreement”
(Chair’s Ruling)
 - c. COMM. 19M-3 (2019)
NYSDEC: “Invitation for Public Comment – Draft Investigation/Interim Cleanup Plan for a Site at 130 Main St., Buffalo”
(Chair’s Ruling)

2. COMM. 19E-18 (2019)
COUNTY EXECUTIVE
WHEREAS, the Erie County Department of Environment and Planning (DEP) has played a crucial role in water quality issues throughout the region for decades and continues to lead and manage many initiatives that protect and preserve our natural water resources; and

WHEREAS, DEP is committed to coordinate, oversee, and support work towards the delisting of the Buffalo River as a Great Lakes Area of Concern (AOC); and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) awarded Erie County a Great Lakes Restoration Initiative Grant of \$2,529,500 to complete a five-year Erie County Buffalo River RAP Project; and

WHEREAS, this Erie County Buffalo River RAP Project necessitates the execution of contracts with the USEPA and Buffalo Niagara Waterkeeper and creation of a grant budget, as well as continuation of a Senior Environmental Compliance Specialist (JG-12) position and a Park Maintenance Worker II - Group 5 position in Grant # 162BUFRIVERRAP1924.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the County Executive or the Deputy County Executive is hereby authorized to execute the necessary agreements to accept a grant of \$2,529,500 from the USEPA; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive or the Deputy County Executive is hereby authorized to execute the necessary agreements to contract with Buffalo Niagara Waterkeeper for a sub-award not to exceed \$750,000 for the purpose of managing the Buffalo River RAP, coordinating the Remedial Action Committee and Area of Concern (AOC) delisting documents; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the grant budget and project period for the Erie County Buffalo River RAP Project is hereby created in the Department of Environment and Planning, Business Area 162, as follows:

Erie County Buffalo River RAP Project
Grant #162 BUFRIVERRAP1924
October 1, 2019 – September 30, 2024

REVENUE

<u>Account</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
414000	Federal Aid Revenue	\$2,529,500
TOTAL REVENUE		<u>\$2,529,500</u>

APPROPRIATIONS

<u>Account</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
500000	Full Time Salaries	\$ 378,000
502000	Fringe Benefits	\$ 283,500
510100	Out of Area Travel	11,000
505000	Supplies	\$ 31,060
510200	Meetings & Trainings	\$ 8,440
516020	Professional Services	\$1,477,500
916400	ID Parks Services	<u>\$ 340,000</u>
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS		\$2,529,500

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the following position, which is 100% grant funded, will be funded within the Erie County Buffalo River RAP Project Grant # 162 BUFRIVERRAP1924, Funds Center 16200, Fund 281:

Senior Environmental Compliance Specialist (JG-12)
Budgeted Annual Salary: \$70,346

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the following General Fund (Fund 110) position, will be 100% reimbursed via ID billing from Grant 162BUFRIVERRAP1924, to the Department of Parks, Recreation and Forestry, Funds Center 16400, Fund 110 for the duration of the grant commitment:

Park Maintenance Worker II - Group 5
Budgeted Annual Salary: \$38,601

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Director of the Division of Budget and Management is hereby authorized to implement any budget adjustments as required to comply with State and local funding requirements; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to the County Executive; the Director of the Division of Budget and Management; the County Attorney; the County Comptroller; Thomas R. Hersey, Jr., Commissioner of Environment and Planning; Troy Schinzel, Commissioner of Parks and Recreation; and Bonnie Lawrence, Deputy Commissioner of Environment and Planning.
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TIMOTHY MEYERS
CHAIR