

DECEMBER 11, 2006

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE  
REPORT NO. 13

ALL MEMBERS PRESENT. CHAIRMAN MARINELLI PRESENT AS EX-OFFICIO MEMBER.

1. RESOLVED, the following items are hereby received and filed:

a. COMM. 20E-4 (2006)  
**COUNTY EXECUTIVE:** Erie County Probation Dept.  
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2. INTRO 22-2 (2006) **AS AMENDED**  
**KOZUB, KENNEDY, REYNOLDS & MILLS**

WHEREAS, every single day our first responding firefighters risk their very lives to protect and save Erie County residents, along with the cherished memories we treasure in our homes, businesses and other structures that we hold so dear; and

WHEREAS, our firefighters are on call twenty-four hours a day, three hundred and sixty-five days a year, and the instant the call to duty is heard, these brave men and women respond with swiftness, courage and fearlessness; and

WHEREAS, with all that is at stake for these valiant individuals, we owe to them not only our gratitude, admiration and respect; we also owe to them the kind of support that will enable them to do their very best in their mission to help their fellow citizens in times of need; and

WHEREAS, with the County of Erie currently in the planning stages of providing these heroic men and women with modern training facilities through renovations at the Erie County Emergency Services Training and Operations Center complex in Cheektowaga, we owe our firefighters nothing less than to move forward with a project that aims to provide a cost-effective, region-wide facility that will benefit every municipality in Erie County; and

WHEREAS, with fiscal challenges continuing to impact Erie County government and finances, as well as the Erie County Capital Budget, possibly prioritization of capital expenditures due to a reduction in the amount of funds available in the capital budget remains a challenge for the administration and this Legislature; and

WHEREAS, although all County projects dependent upon Erie County Capital Budget funding face prioritization during these challenging fiscal times, the renovations at the Erie County Emergency Services Training and Operations Center complex should continue to remain a top priority for capital funding and full support from Erie County government.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Legislature does hereby go on record in offering genuine thanks and appreciation as we salute our firefighters for their commitment, sacrifice, and steadfastness to their fellow citizens in the carrying out of their sworn obligation to protect us all; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this Legislature further goes on record and acknowledges the hard work, pledge to immediately respond at all hours of the day or night, and long hours of training and exercise that these fearless and gallant individuals endure to maintain a readiness to help their fellow man; and be it further

RESOLVED, that in fully supporting a commitment to assist these firefighters in providing renovations at the Erie County Emergency Services Training and Operations Center complex, that this Legislature hereby instructs the administration that any reduction in the Erie County Capital Budget for 2007 that necessitates a prioritization of capital projects for Erie County government shall not impact said renovations at the Erie County Emergency Services Training and Operations Center complex in Cheektowaga; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the renovations at the Erie County Emergency Services Training and Operations Center complex shall hereby remain a top priority for Erie County government and that the \$1,000,000 capital budget expenditure earmarked for said renovation project in 2007, as well as the total \$5,000,000 capital commitment for years 2007 through 2012, shall be held harmless from any prioritization of capital funding in the event that a reduction of capital expenditures is deemed warranted by this Legislature; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to Erie County Executive Joel A. Giambra, the Department of Environment and Planning; the Director of Budget, Management and Finance; the Office of Erie County Comptroller, the Department of Emergency Services; the Department of Law, and the Erie County Fiscal Stability Authority.  
(4-0)

3. COMM. 22E-17 (2006)  
**COUNTY EXECUTIVE**  
WHEREAS, Erie County is eligible to apply to the New York State Local Enhanced Wireless 911 Program for reimbursement of certain costs associated with the provision of Wireless 911 services, and

WHEREAS, Erie County will receive \$556,410 from New York State under the Local Enhanced Wireless 911 Program, and

WHEREAS, Erie County has made upgrading their public safety communications a critical component of the Public Safety Campus project, and

WHEREAS, these funds have previously been received and placed in the Capital Fund A.00254 "Interoperable Communications Enhancement" project, and

WHEREAS, the County Executive requests that these funds be dedicated to upgrading the public safety communications network and infrastructure in Erie County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the County Executive is hereby authorized to accept funds from the New York State Local Enhanced Wireless 911 Program in an amount not to exceed \$ 556,410 and be it further

RESOLVED, that Revenues and Appropriations in Capital Project A.00254 (business area 165 CPS) be increased by \$356,410 and Central Police Services E-911 Fund be increased by \$200,000, and be it further

RESOLVED, that, Central Police Services is authorized to extend an existing contract with L. Robert Kimball associates, Inc. in the amount of \$247,500 from Capital Project A.00254 to provide a support team that will insure the new communications center avails themselves of the best practices regarding operation of the county communications center, and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to the County Executive, the County Comptroller, the Director of Budget, Management and Finance and the Commissioner of Central Police Services.  
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4. COMM. 22E-28 (2006)  
**COUNTY EXECUTIVE**

WHEREAS, the Erie County CPS Forensic Lab has been awarded a Federal National Institute of Justice Grant to be administered by the Office of Justice Programs, and

WHEREAS, said funds will enable the Central Police Services Forensic Laboratory to analyze DNA cases in a more efficient manner.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that authorization is hereby provided for the County Executive to enter into a contract and accept funding in the amount of \$155,424.00 with the Federal National Institute of Justice, and be it further,

RESOLVED, that authorization is hereby provided to establish the grant in the budget of the Department of Central Police Services as follows:

**Grant Fund-SAP#: 165DNACAPENH0607**  
**Central Police Services**  
**10/01/2006 to 09/30/2007**

<u>Revenue</u>	<u>Increase</u>
Acct. 41400 Federal aid	<u>\$155,424</u>
Total Revenue	<u>\$155,424</u>

<u>Appropriation</u>	<u>Increase</u>
Acct. 505800 Medical Supplies	\$ 10,955
Acct. 561410 Lab& Tech Equipment	<u>\$144,469</u>
Total Appropriation	<u>\$155,424</u>

and be it further,

RESOLVED, that the Director of Budget, Management and Finance is hereby authorized to establish and adjust budgets as required to comply with federally approved funding levels, and be it further,

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to the County Executive, the Division of Budget, Management and Finance, the Office of the Comptroller and the Department of Central Police Services.  
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5. COMM. 22E-32 (2006)  
**COUNTY EXECUTIVE**

WHEREAS, the Erie County Central Police Services Forensic Lab has been awarded a Federal National Institute of Justice Grant to be administered by the Office of Justice Programs, and

WHEREAS, said funds will enable the Central Police Services Forensic Laboratory to analyze and generate DNA profiles from up to 110 additional, unsolved forensic DNA cases.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that authorization is hereby provided for the County Executive to enter into a contract and accept funding in the amount of \$77,978.00 with the Federal National Institute of Justice, and be it further,

RESOLVED, that authorization is hereby provided to establish the grant in the budget of the Department of Central Police Services as follows:

Grant Fund-SAP#: 165DNABACKLOG0607  
Central Police Services  
10/01/2006 to 09/30/2007

<u>Revenue</u>	<u>Increase</u>
Acct. 414000 Federal Aid	<u>\$ 77,978</u>
Total Revenue	<u>\$ 77,978</u>
<u>Appropriation</u>	<u>Increase</u>
Acct. 501000 Overtime	\$ 70,889
Acct. 502000 Fringe Benefits	<u>\$ 7,089</u>
Total Appropriation	<u>\$ 77,978</u>

and be it further,

RESOLVED, that the Director of Budget, Management and Finance is hereby authorized to establish and adjust budgets as required to comply with federally approved funding levels, and be it further,

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to the County Executive, the Division of Budget, Management and Finance, the Office of the Comptroller and the Department of Central Police Services.  
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6. COMM. 24E-12 (2006)  
**COUNTY EXECUTIVE**

WHEREAS, the Erie County CPS Forensic Lab has been awarded a New York State Grant to be administered by the Division of Criminal Justice Services, and

WHEREAS, said funds will enable the Central Police Services Forensic Laboratory to achieve a 30 day turnaround time for the analysis of DNA cases.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that authorization is hereby provided for the County Executive to enter into a contract and accept funding in the amount of \$539,220.00 with New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services, and be it further,

RESOLVED, that authorization is hereby provided to establish the grant in the budget of the Department of Central Police Services as follows:

**Grant Fund-SAP#: 165DNACAPENH0608**  
**Central Police Services**  
**11/01/2006 to 05/31/2008**

<u>Revenue</u>	<u>Increase</u>
Acct. 409000 State Aid	<u>\$539,220</u>
Total Revenue	<u>\$539,220</u>

<u>Appropriation</u>	<u>Increase</u>
Acct. 500000 Personnel	\$357,388
Acct. 502000 Fringe Benefits	\$149,153
Acct. 561410 Lab& Tech Equipment	\$13,929
Acct. 505800 Medical Supplies	<u>\$18,750</u>
Total Appropriation	<u>\$539,220</u>

and be it further,

RESOLVED, that this funding will be used to create the positions of six (6) Forensic Serologists and one part time Forensic Serologist (Grade 12-B100 #2491) in the Department of Central Police Services, and be it further,

RESOLVED, that the Director of Budget, Management and Finance is hereby authorized to establish and adjust budgets as required to comply with State approved funding levels, and be it further,

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Erie County Executive, the Division of Budget, Management and Finance, the Office of the Comptroller and the Department of Central Police Services.  
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7. COMM. 24E-15 (2006)

**COUNTY EXECUTIVE**

WHEREAS, the County of Erie is a full partner in the New York Statewide Wireless Network (SSWN) which will provide County first responders with a new voice and data communication system, and

WHEREAS, under the partnership agreement Erie County has authorized execution of site license agreements and leases with the New York State Office for Technology or its representatives through Resolution Comm. 12E-21 and Comm. 12E-15, for the purposes of furthering the partnership goals and sharing of infrastructure with NYS-SWN, and

WHEREAS, the New York State Office for Technology, as lead agency, prepared Draft and Final Generic Environmental Impact Statements (“DGEIS” and “FGEIS,” respectively) regarding the SWN, which assessed the potential impacts to natural and cultural resources as a result of the deployment and operation of the SWN; considered alternatives to the proposed action; and identified measures to avoid or mitigate impacts to the maximum extent practicable, and

WHEREAS, the FGEIS and Findings Statement, dated June 2, 2005, also described the specific conditions and criteria under which future actions will be undertaken or approved, including the requirements for SEQRA compliance, and

WHEREAS, the lead agency has evaluated the SWN actions proposed at Erie County facilities, and determined that the proposed actions are in conformance with the conditions and thresholds established for such facilities in the FGEIS and the Findings Statement and that no further environmental review of the proposed SWN facility is required, and thereby issued a Determination of Consistency, and

WHEREAS, as an interested party to this action under SEQRA, Erie County has reviewed the Determination of Consistency and supporting materials contained in the Site Candidate Information Form as submitted by the lead agency, for the Erie County Public Safety Campus (Site PRB 1118A), T. Boston, South Feddick Road Tower (Site PRB 1019A), and T. Sardinia, Warner Gulf Road Tower (Site PRB 1016A) and determined that no significant environmental impact will occur.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that Erie County, as an interested agency under SEQRA issues a Findings Statement pursuant to the FGEIS for SWN and the proposed actions in concurrence with the lead agency, and

RESOLVED, further, that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Office of the County Executive, the Division of Budget, Management and Finance, the Office of the Comptroller, the Department of Law, the Department of Environment and Planning and the Department of Central Police Services.

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8. COMM. 24E-17 (2006)

**COUNTY EXECUTIVE**

WHEREAS, the New York State Office of Children and Family Services has awarded \$169,800 to the Erie County Department of Probation and Youth Detention Services – Youth Division, and

WHEREAS, these funds will be used to fund community agencies providing services to at risk youths, including tutoring, alternative secondary services, summer employment opportunities linked to academic and occupational skill training, and leadership development activities for not less than twelve (12) months as outlined in the grant proposal, and

WHEREAS, these funds will allow the Youth Division to plan, administer and support special delinquency prevention programs in the community (i.e. educational, vocational, family support, crisis intervention and alcohol and drug awareness programs) to youths under the age of twenty-one (21) who are at risk of entering the criminal justice system and to work with the Local Workforce Investment Board (LWIB) to link youths to academic and occupational skill training, and

WHEREAS, the Youth Division also has \$34,191 in unused State Aid for YDDP reimbursement funds, which requires no County funds and the community agencies are required to provide the local matching funds, and

WHEREAS, the Erie County Youth Board has recommended that this unused State Aid be awarded to four (4) youth agencies.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the County Executive is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with the New York State Office of Children and Family Services, and be it further

RESOLVED, that authorization is hereby provided to budget those funds in the grant fund as follows:

**ERIE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PROBATION AND YOUTH DETENTION SERVICES**  
**Partnership for Youth**  
**Grant Fund 281**

**October 1, 2006 to September 30, 2007**

<b>Revenue</b>		
<b>Acct. 408000</b>		<b><u>Amount</u></b>
<b>State Aid Youth Programs</b>		<b><u>\$169,800</u></b>
	Total Revenue	<b><u>\$169,800</u></b>
 <b><u>Appropriations</u></b>		
<b>Acct. 516010</b>		
Contractual Payments – Non Pro Pur Svcs		<b><u>\$169,800</u></b>
	Total Appropriations	<b><u>\$169,800</u></b>

and be it further,

RESOLVED, that authorization is hereby provided to increase the Youth Division's operating budget as follows:

**ERIE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PROBATION AND YOUTH DETENTION SERVICES  
Youth Division – Fund 110  
Business Area 12630**

<b><u>Revenue</u></b>		<b><u>Amount of Increase</u></b>
<b>Acct. 408020</b>		
State Aid Youth – YDDP Reimbursement		<b><u>\$34,191</u></b>
	Total Revenue	<b><u>\$34,191</u></b>
 <b><u>Appropriations</u></b>		
<b>Acct. 516010</b>		
YDDP Reimbursement Programs Agencies		<b><u>\$34,191</u></b>
	Total Appropriations	<b><u>\$34,191</u></b>

With authorization for the County Executive to enter into amended contracts with agencies that are increased as follows:

Northwest Buffalo Community Center	\$10,000
Flare Community Center	\$10,000
Boys & Girls Club of Orchard Park	\$5,001
Big Brothers/Big Sisters	\$9,190

and be it further,

RESOLVED, that the Director of Budget, Management and Finance is hereby authorized to adjust the budget as required to comply with state approved funding levels, and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies be forwarded to the Division of Budget, Management and Finance, the Department of Probation and Youth Services, the Department of Mental Health, and the Office of the Comptroller.  
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**DANIEL M. KOZUB  
CHAIRMAN**