

October 25, 2018

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
REPORT NO. 14

ALL MEMBERS PRESENT.

CHAIR SAVAGE PRESENT AS EX-OFFICIO MEMBER.

1. RESOLVED, that the following item is hereby amended by majority vote, and tabled on Chair's ruling:

a. INTRO. 5-4 (2018)

BASKIN: "Bail Reform for Detainees at the Erie County Holding Center"
(6-0)

2. COMM. 19E-6 (2018)

COUNTY EXECUTIVE

WHEREAS, on April 10, 2017 Governor Cuomo signed into law "Raise the Age" (RTA) legislation which established new mandates and regulations pertaining to the supervision of all juvenile and adolescent offenders; and

WHEREAS, Probation Officers will need to obtain additional specialized training to comply with these new Raise the Age mandates and regulations pertaining to providing alternative to detention services and Cognitive Behavioral Intervention for juvenile and adolescent offenders; and

WHEREAS, The Train for Change, Inc. (a division of The Change Companies) is the sole provider of "Forward Thinking Interactive Journaling Training"; and

WHEREAS, Erie County Probation Officers need to be trained as facilitators in the Forward Thinking Series in order to facilitate and provide this service to juvenile and adolescent offenders as an alternative to detention.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Executive be and is hereby authorized to enter into an initial \$5,000 contract with Train for Change, Inc. (a division of The Change Companies), 5221 Sigstrom Drive, Carson City, Nevada 89706; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Legislature hereby waives the procedures outlined in Section 19.08 of the Erie County Administrative Code regarding professional services contracts because the contractor is a sole source provider; and be it further

RESOLVED, that Professional Services budget for Probation's RTA be increased by \$5,000 to fund this contract, with offsetting anticipated State Aid- RTA revenue; and be it further

RESOLVED, and if necessary the County Executive be and is hereby authorized to execute amendments to this contract to effectuate adjusted funding levels; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be sent to the: County Executive's Office, Division of Budget and Management, County Comptroller, County Attorney, and the Probation Department.

(6-0)

3. COMM. 19E-14 (2018)

SHERIFF AS AMENDED

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Justice has awarded \$750,000.00 to the Erie County Sheriff's Office to combat human trafficking; and

WHEREAS, the Human Trafficking grant term is October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2021; and

WHEREAS, this grant is to be used to combat human trafficking activities in the Western New York region; and

WHEREAS, grant funds will be used to pay for, in part or in its entirety, or reimburse participating municipalities and law enforcement agencies for personnel, fringe benefits, training, travel, supplies, awareness campaign materials, and consultants for the Western New York Human Trafficking Task Force; and

WHEREAS, the grant designates the Erie County Sheriff's Office as the lead law enforcement agency and administrator of the grant for law enforcement investigation; and

WHEREAS, the grant further stipulates that the County of Erie is to reimburse participating non-county, municipal employees and law enforcement agencies that are part of the WNY Human Trafficking Task Force for mandatory training and travel expenses incurred by designated task force members; and

WHEREAS, this grant also includes funding to increase law enforcement personnel on the taskforce; and

WHEREAS, the Sheriff's Office will create a Deputy Sheriff – Criminal position to be assigned to the task force; and

WHEREAS, the grant will reimburse the County of Erie for the one Deputy Sheriff – Criminal, their wages, fringe benefits, overtime, uniform allowance, and line-up pay for the term of the grant:

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| Account 500000 - Full Time Salaries | \$207,591.00 |
| Account 500300 - Shift Differential | \$6,000.00 |
| Account 500320 - Uniform Allowance | \$4,500.00 |
| Account 500340 - Line-up Pay | \$8,100.00 |
| Account 501000 - Overtime | \$93,867.00 |
| Account 502000 - Fringe Benefits | \$201,639.00 |

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Sheriff's Office and the County Executive are hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with United States Department of Justice and accept the terms and the funding within the 2018 – 2021 Human Trafficking grant; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Sheriff's Office and the Erie County Personnel Department is authorized to create one (1) Deputy Sheriff – Criminal position to be assigned to the Western New York Human Trafficking Task Force; and be it further

RESOLVED, the Division of Budget and Management is authorized to make any technical adjustments necessary for the 2018 – 2021 Human Trafficking Grant; and be it further

RESOLVED, the Erie County Comptroller's Office is hereby authorized to release the designated funds and make any payments necessary associated with this grant for training, travel, and payment to partner agencies; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies be forwarded to the Division of Budget and Management, Erie County Comptroller, Erie County Personnel Department, and the Chief of Administration of the Sheriff's Office for implementation.

(6-0)

APRIL N.M. BASKIN
CHAIR