ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY
FINANCE COMMITTEE AGENDA
MR. JOHN GENNETT, CHAIR
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 2024
BOARD ROOM AND LIVE VIA YOUTUBE
5:30 PM

RUTH A. DOYLE
County Administrator

DAVID FORSYTHE
Chair, Board of Legislators

1. **CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES –** October 28, 2024

3. **BLIGHTED PROPERTY PROGRAM MILESTONE 100TH PROPERTY COMPLETE AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTAMINATION REMEDIATION PROGRAM PRESENTATION -** County Treasurer Renee Cole and County Attorney Stephen Button

4. **COUNTY ATTORNEY – STEVE BUTTON**
   - A. Authorizing the Administrator of the Self-Insurance Plan to Hire a Third Party Administrator for the Workers' Compensation Plan (Res)
   - B. Modifying the 2024 Budget for the County Attorney's Office for the Self-Insurance Fund Due to Increased Costs in Scheduled Loss of Use Awards (Res)
   - C. Modifying the 2024 Budget for the County Attorney's Office for Increased Costs Associated with Retention of Outside Legal Counsel (Res)
   - D. Adopting an Updated Health and Safety Policy Manual for St. Lawrence County for 2025 (Res)
   - E. Adopting an Updated St. Lawrence County Corporate Compliance Plan for the Year 2025 (Res)

5. **TREASURER – RENEE COLE**
   - A. Adopting Mortgage Tax Report (Res)
   - B. Charging Tax Items & Omitted Tax Paid (Res)

6. **REAL PROPERTY – BRUCE GREEN**
   - A. Correcting and Refunding Erroneous Taxes (Res)

7. **SOLID WASTE – DON CHAMBERS**
   - A. Approval of Bad Debt Write Off for the Solid Waste Department (Res)

8. **HIGHWAY – DON CHAMBERS**

A. Modifying the 2024 Budget for the Department of Highways for the Potsdam Outpost Maintenance Facility (Res)

B. FEMA Update for Storm Damage Associated with Summer 2024 (Discussion)

9. VACANCY REVIEW COMMITTEE – RUTH DOYLE

A. Highway

a. Fill, Heavy Equipment Operator, Position No. 310100016

b. Fill, Motor Equipment Operator, Position No. 310100021

B. Authorizing the Dissolution of the Vacancy Review Committee and Delegating the Authority to Fill and Abolish Positions to the County Administrator (Res)

10. AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) UPDATE - RUTH DOYLE

A. Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Two-Year Contract Extension for Local Municipal Water and Wastewater Infrastructure Projects Funded with American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds (Res)

B. Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Two-Year Contract Extension for Broadband Expansion Projects Appropriating American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds (Res)

11. 2025 TENTATIVE BUDGET REVIEW - RUTH DOYLE

A. Department Reviews: Board of Legislators, County Attorney, Highway, Treasurer's Office, Real Property, and Solid Waste

B. The Finance Committee Delivers the 2025 Tentative Budget to the Board of Legislators for Final Consideration and Approval (Note: If there are not amendments to be made, this action begins the formal approval process to adopt the 2025 Budget)

C. Adopting Local Law H (No.) for the Year 2024 “Tax Cap Override for FY 2025” (Res)

12. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT – RUTH DOYLE

A. Establishing a Date and Time for the Organizational Board Meeting (Res)

B. Modifying the 2024 Budget for the County Administrator's Office for Costs Associated with Community College Tuition (Res)

C. Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Renewal Application with Excellus Blue Cross Blue Shield for Stop Loss Insurance Coverage for 2025 (Res)

D. Modifying the 2024 Budget for the Assigned Counsel Program (Res)

E. Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract Renewal with New York State Industries for the Disabled, Inc. for Records Management Services (Res)

F. Requesting the New York State Legislature and Governor Adopt Legislation to Permit St. Lawrence County Home Rule to Extend the Sales Tax Rate as Previously Authorized from Three (3%) Percent to Four (4%) Percent (Res)

G. Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Temporary Access and Use Agreement with

National Grid (Res)

H. Modifying the 2024 Budget for the St. Lawrence County Former Sheriff's House and Jail Roof and Façade Alteration Project and to Close the Capital Project (Res)

I. Modifying 2024 Budget for Rent Shortfall and Utilities in Gouverneur and Massena Satellite Offices (Res)

13. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Cornell Cooperative Extension Board (Denesha)

B. Fish and Wildlife Management Board, Region 6 (Sheridan)

C. Fisheries Advisory Board (Terminelli)

D. Gouverneur Fair Board (Smithers)

E. Highway/Solid Waste Committee (Smithers)

F. Industrial Development Agency (Reagen)

G. Recreational and Trails Advisory Board (Perkins/Webster)

H. St. Lawrence River Valley Redevelopment Agency (RVRDA) (Forsythe)

I. St. Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce (Webster)

J. Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Directors (Burke/Haggard)

14. OLD/NEW BUSINESS

A. Authorizing a Change Order with Motorola Solutions, Inc. for the Addition of Geo-Redundant Prime Equipment and Services at Massena and White Hill Sites (Res)

15. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. Litigation

B. Negotiations

C. Personnel

D. Appointments

16. ADJOURNMENT – If there is no further business.

December 2, 2024

Finance Committee: 11-25-2024

RESOLUTION NO.

AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE SELF-INSURANCE PLAN TO HIRE A THIRD PARTY ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION PLAN

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, the St. Lawrence County Self-Insurance Plan (the Plan) contract for Third Party Administration (TPA) to handle all the workers' compensation claims and to assist the Plan with certain administrative duties will expire December 31, 2024, and

WHEREAS, the Plan solicited proposals from vendors and received six (6) submissions for the purpose of selecting one to act as the Third Party Administrator for the St. Lawrence County Self-Insurance Plan, and

WHEREAS, upon a review of the submissions and scoring matrices, a recommendation has been made to contract with Triad Group, LLC, to provide TPA services to the Plan, the current County TPA, for three (3) years, with the possibility of an extension for an additional two (2) years,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Administrator of the Self-Insurance Plan to Hire a Third Party Administrator for the Workers' Compensation Plan.

December 2, 2024

Finance Committee: 11-25-2024

RESOLUTION NO.

MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE FOR THE SELF-INSURANCE FUND DUE TO INCREASED COSTS IN SCHEDULED LOSS OF USE AWARDS

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, the Self-Insurance Fund is responsible for the payment of Workers' Compensation related expenditures, and

WHEREAS, part of the administration of the workers' compensation claims requires an assessment of files that may be appropriate for full and final settlement, and

WHEREAS, full and final settlement under the Workers' Compensation Law, closes a file permanently, resolving both the medical and indemnity portions of a claim, and

WHEREAS, 2024 has seen an increase from 2023 in the number of cases resolved by way of full and final settlement, and

WHEREAS, in some cases claims may not be ready for a full and final settlement but are eligible for a scheduled loss of use, and

WHEREAS, under New York Workers' Compensation Law, a Schedule Loss of Use Award may be made when a claimant has reached maximum medical improvement and the body part(s) of a claimant have a permanent loss of use as a result of their work-related injury, and

WHEREAS, under a Schedule Loss of Use Award, compensation is limited to a certain number of weeks based on the body part and severity of the disability, according to a schedule set by law, and

WHEREAS, these Settlements and Schedule Loss of Use Awards, which have increased significantly since 2021, has created a deficit in the Benefits and Awards Account which also covers the medical and indemnity payments of the claimant, and

WHEREAS, County Law, Article 7, Sections 363 and 366, allows the Board of Legislators to amend the budget to shift funds between accounts where there exists an excess in some accounts and a deficit in others, and

WHEREAS, it will be necessary to transfer funds from the Self-Insurance Plan Fund Balance, by increasing the appropriated fund balance to support the additional scheduled loss of use awards, as they come due,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2024 Budget for the County Attorney's Office for the Self-Insurance Fund due to increased costs in Scheduled Loss of Use Awards, as follows:

DECREASE UNAPPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE:

07TG0911 50300	Fund Balance, Unreserved Unappropriated	$600,000

INCREASE APPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE:

07TG0910 50300	Fund Balance, Unreserved Appropriated	$600,000

INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

LI017204 40301	SI Workers Comp Benefits and Awards	$600,000

December 2, 2024

Finance Committee: 11-25-2024

RESOLUTION NO.

MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE FOR INCREASED COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH RETENTION OF OUTSIDE LEGAL COUNSEL

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, pursuant to County Law §501(2) "...whenever the interests of the board of supervisors or the county are inconsistent with the interests of any officer paid his compensation from county funds, the county attorney shall represent the interests of the board of supervisors and the county [while the conflicted officer] may employ an attorney-at-law" who shall be reimbursed pursuant to the policies established by Public Officer's Law §18, and

WHEREAS, coordinated strategies are being implemented to decrease long-term costs associated with continued retention of outside counsel; however, short-term costs have increased due to the current litigation files that have been sent to outside counsel reaching a more active status, and

WHEREAS, due to trial preparation and upcoming trials, there will not be sufficient funds to pay future billings to outside counsel (LR019304 43002) through the end of 2024, and

WHEREAS, it will be necessary to transfer money from the fund balance for Fund (08) Casualty and Liability, by increasing the appropriated fund balance to cover those payments as they come due,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2024 Budget for the County Attorney's Office for increased costs associated with retention of outside legal counsel, as follows:

DECREASE UNAPPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE:

08TG0911 50300	CS Unappropriated Fund Balance	$70,000

INCREASE APPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE:

08TG0910 50300	CS Appropriated Fund Balance	$70,000

INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

LR019304 43002	LR Legal Fees	$70,000

December 2, 2024

Finance Committee: 11-25-2024

RESOLUTION NO.

ADOPTING AN UPDATED HEALTH AND SAFETY POLICY MANUAL FOR ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY FOR 2025

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, St. Lawrence County is committed to the health and safety of its workforce and wants to implement a health and safety policy regarding work-related activities, and

WHEREAS, the Public Employee Safety and Health Bureau (PESH), created in 1980, enforces safety and health standards promulgated under the United States Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSHA) and several State standards, and

WHEREAS, the PESH Act created OSHA to give occupational safety and health protection to all public sector employees, and

WHEREAS, PESH requires safety policies to be implemented and enforced for all public employers in the State of New York, and

WHEREAS, to ensure the safety of the workforce and to remain compliant with the PESH regulations, it is important that the County adopts, maintains, and implements a St. Lawrence County Health & Safety Policy, and

WHEREAS, a true and complete copy of the updated Health and Safety Policy Manual is available upon request from the Board of Legislators' Office,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators adopts an updated Health & Safety Policy Manual for St. Lawrence County for the year 2025, upon approval of the Compliance Officer/Risk Manager and the County Attorney.

December 2, 2024

Finance Committee: 11-25-2024

RESOLUTION NO.

ADOPTING AN UPDATED ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY CORPORATE COMPLIANCE PLAN FOR THE YEAR 2025

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, on December 5, 2022, St. Lawrence County adopted Resolution 443-2022, "Adopting the St. Lawrence County Compliance Plan"**,** and

WHEREAS, the St. Lawrence County Compliance Plan arose from general guidelines published by the United State Office of Inspector General (OIG) of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, the U.S. Department of Justice Federal Sentencing Guidelines (U.S.S.G. §§ 8B2.1) and New York State Social Services Law SOS§363-d. requires the establishment and implementation of a Corporate Compliance Plan as an entity that provides services to Medicaid recipients, and

WHEREAS, the Corporate Compliance Plan addresses the conduct of all Legislators, elected officials, County officers, employees, and agents, and

WHEREAS, conduct in violation of these standards may lead to disciplinary action, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Legislators has directed, through the St. Lawrence County Risk Manager, the development and maintenance of a County Compliance Plan which incorporates the St. Lawrence County Ethics and Disclosure Law and sets forth the Standards of Conduct and Policies and Procedures to be followed by all employees of the County and agents who furnish services and goods to St. Lawrence County, and

WHEREAS, the Corporate Compliance Plan is continuously updated, in accordance with the statutes above, to maintain accuracy and remain current,

WHEREAS, a true and complete copy of the updated Corporate Compliance Plan is available upon request from the Board of Legislators' Office,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators adopts an updated St. Lawrence County Corporate Compliance Plan for the Year 2025, upon approval of the County Attorney.

December 2, 2024

Finance Committee: 11-25-2024

RESOLUTION NO.

ADOPTING MORTGAGE TAX REPORT

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

BE IT RESOLVED that the Mortgage Tax Report as submitted by the County Clerk and the County Treasurer is hereby accepted and the County Treasurer is authorized and directed to issue the amounts as set forth in the report to the various tax districts in this County, as follows:

TOWN/VILLAGE:	**AMOUNT:**
Brasher	$15,194.34
Canton:	
Village of Canton	25,658.90
Village of Rensselaer	1,167.38
Town of Canton	90,921.57
Clare	1,122.54
Clifton	7,614.82
Colton	33,360.23
Dekalb:	
Village of Richville	253.95
Town of Dekalb	6,997.38
DePeyster	1,621.49
Edwards	5,771.63
Fine	5,999.50
Fowler	19,687.39
Gouverneur:	
Village of Gouverneur	6,136.01
Town of Gouverneur	17,703.49
Hammond:	
Village of Hammond	281.72
Town of Hammond	12,823.08
Hermon	5,392.19
Hopkinton	6,720.25
Lawrence	5,281.03
Lisbon	11,887.13
Louisville:	
Village of West Massena	1,587.74
Town of Louisville	17,529.20
Macomb	3,142.54
Madrid	7,166.82
Massena:	

Village of Massena	38,475.92
Town of Massena	83,001.97
Morristown	18,562.27
Norfolk:	
Village of Norwood	137.84
Village of Massena	18.89
Town of Norfolk	16,266.69
Ogdensburg	30,587.02
Oswegatchie:	
Village of Heuvelton	1,962.80
Town of Oswegatchie	37,375.77
Parishville	10,321.14
Piercefield	5,235.48
Pierrepont	18,749.02
Pitcairn	6,823.73
Potsdam:	
Village of Potsdam	15,095.54
Village of Norwood	3,356.44
Town of Potsdam	60,378.87
Rossie	5,729.83
Russell	4,833.49
Stockholm	22,720.58
Waddington:	
Village of Waddington	2,489.16
Town of Waddington	9,556.59
TOTALS:	**$702,701.36**

December 2, 2024

Finance Committee: 11-25-2024

RESOLUTION NO.

CHARGING TAX ITEMS & OMITTED TAX PAID

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, due to tax refunds, cancelations of taxes, and other assessment errors, and omitted tax payments received, there are various tax items that cannot be collected or payments that result in town credits,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to charge/credit these various items to the towns as presented to the Legislature, as follows:

2024 CORRECTION OF ERRORS
CHARGES & CREDITS TO TOWNS & DISTRICTS

Brasher Fire - FD001	$67.80	
Brasher Fire PROT- FD002	$545.56	
Brasher Highway	$788.24	
Brasher Town	$1,107.55	
		$2,509.15
Canton Fire - FD003	$343.33	
Canton Light - LT005	$102.03	
Canton Town	$1,114.56	
		$1,559.92
Colton Fire - FD009	$73.74	
Colton Highway	$137.20	
Colton Light - LT006	$18.48	
Colton Town	$322.96	
		$552.38
Edwards Town	$500.63	
		$500.63
Fine Star Lake Water – WD002	$3,780.00	
		$3,780.00

Fowler Fire - FD016	$697.83	
Fowler Highway	$9,449.87	
Fowler Town	$2,356.25	
		$12,503.95
Gouverneur Town	$915.86	
Gouverneur Water	$39.00	
		$954.86
Hermon Sewer	$477.00	
		$477.00
Hopkinton Town	$30.00	
		$30.00
Lisbon Town	$338.76	
		$338.76
Madrid Sewer	$743.38	
Madrid Water	$226.70	
		$970.08
Massena Fire - FH002	$42.05	
Massena Town	$3,614.56	
		$3,656.61
Norfolk Public Library	$14.61	
Norfolk Town	$1,360.62	
		$1,375.23
Oswegatchie Town	$542.41	
		$542.41
Parishville Highway	$99.07	
Parishville Town	$88.82	
		$187.89
Pierrepont Town	$70.43	
		$70.43

Pitcairn Fire - FD033	$12.84	
Pitcairn Highway	$74.66	
Pitcairn Town	$13.32	
		$100.82
Potsdam Fire - FD034	$4.20	
Potsdam Town	$42,908.65	
		$42,912.85
Rossie Fire - FD035	$31.06	
Rossie Highway	$324.30	
Rossie Town	$415.57	
		$770.93
Russell Fire - FD036	$535.36	
Russell Highway	$3,832.45	
Russell Library	$190.19	
Russell Town	$1,491.56	
		$6,049.56
Stockholm Fire - FD039	$7.22	
Stockholm Highway	$18.23	
Stockholm Town	$51.83	
		$77.28
Waddington Town	$158.21	
		$158.21
Total Chargebacks		**$80,078.95**

December 2, 2024

Finance Committee: 11-25-2024

RESOLUTION NO.

CORRECTING AND REFUNDING ERRONEOUS TAXES

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, Chapter 515 of the Laws of 1997 provides a local option for erroneously levied taxes in the amount of $2,500 or less to be corrected or refunded upon application according to Section 554 and 556, respectively, of the Real Property Tax Law upon recommendation of the County Director of Real Property Tax Services and approval of the Treasurer of the County, and

WHEREAS, the County Treasurer and the Director of Real Property Tax Services recommend that this option be adopted in order to make these corrections and/or refunds to the taxpayer erroneously assessed in a more timely and efficient fashion,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes correcting and refunding erroneous taxes, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators adopt the provisions set forth in Chapter 515 of the Laws of 1997 allowing the County Treasurer to correct tax bills or issue a check for the refund where taxes have been paid upon the recommendation of the Director of Real Property Tax Services and the approval of the Treasurer for the calendar year 2025, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that on or before the 15th day of each month, the Real Property Director shall submit a report to the Board of Legislators of the corrections or refunds processed by the Treasurer during the preceding month indicating the name of each recipient, the location of the property and the amount of the correction or refund.

December 2, 2024

Finance Committee: 11-25-2024

RESOLUTION NO.

APPROVAL OF BAD DEBT WRITE OFF FOR THE SOLID WASTE DEPARTMENT

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 87-2014, adopted on April 7, 2014, authorized the Chair to sign a contract with Falcon Recovery Systems, LLC, for St. Lawrence County to consolidate collections under one contract with Falcon, and

WHEREAS, bad debt accounts, through November 2024, totaling $3,751.07 are now uncollectible, and

WHEREAS, while the amount is owed and written off, the amount due is placed in the files of each customer in an effort to receive payment should they return for service in the future,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to adjust the bad debt write offs for the Solid Waste Department, as follows:

DECREASE CONTRA ASSET ACCOUNT:

05TG0389 501W0	T EL Allowance for Receivables	$3,752

DECREASE ASSET ACCOUNT:

05TG0380 501W0	T EL Accounts Receivable	$3,752

ACCOUNT	CUSTOMER NAME	ACCOUNT STATUS	ACCOUNT BALANCE	NOTES
203314	BASS CONSTRUCTION	CLOSED – COLLECTIONS ON 4/22/2021	$2,659.04	OVER 3 YEARS WITH FALCON RECOVERY SERVICES
800022	JASON MOQUINN	CLOSED – COLLECTIONS ON 4/22/2021	$1,092.03	OVER 3 YEARS WITH FALCON RECOVERY SERVICES
			Total $3,751.07	

December 2, 2024

Finance Committee: 11-25-2024

RESOLUTION NO.

MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS FOR THE POTSDAM OUTPOST MAINTENANCE FACILITY

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 391-2023 authorized the Department of Highways to hire C & S Engineers for preliminary plans and cost estimates for the Potsdam Outpost Maintenance Facility, and

WHEREAS, the expense will exceed the Capital Project, and

WHEREAS, the projected overages can be offset by a decrease in the Potsdam Salt Storage sub-contracts appropriations,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2024 Budget for the Department of Highways for the Potsdam Outpost Maintenance Facility, as follows:

INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

HM651974 430ED POM	Engineering Design	$16,425

DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

HM651974 465CO PSS	Sub-contracts	$16,425

St. Lawrence County Vacancy Authorization Form

Position Centrals Link

Employee Centrals Link

Highway

Type: Fill

Heavy Equipment Operator

Subunit (If Applicable):

Date Submitted: 10/21/2024

Reason Vacated: Resignation

Position Number: 310100016

Date Vacated: 12/31/2024

Position # Abolished:

Position Status: Fulltime

Last Fill Date: 10/28/2023

Jurisdictional Class: Non-Competitive

Appointee Will Be: Permanent

Hrs Per Week: 40 Shift Length: 8 FTE: 1.00

Budget

Salary of Person Leaving: $51,102

Benefits: Yes (52.94%) $27,053

Base Salary: $49,172

Base Hourly: $23.64

Grade: 23

Fill Request Timeline: 60 Days

Revenue Generating: No 0 %

Reimbursed by Local, State or Federal Funds: No 0 %

Net County Cost: $78,155

*Net County Cost is calculated from salary of person leaving, if available

Detailed Justification

What is the impact on your department if this position is not filled? Please provide, in detail, the need to fill the position. Please include the service provided, if it is mandated, number of people (clients) affected, and what you will do if the position is not filled.

This position is responsible for the operation of specialized heavy equipment used in snow and ice control, highway repair, construction and maintenance projects. Failure to fill this position will seriously impede the Department's ability to maintain safe and passable roads.

Department Head Initials (type): DRC

Submit to Human Resources

Approved?

Yes ☐ No ☐

County Administrator:

Resolution #:

Job Qualifications

For Human Resources Use Only:
Job Qualifications Listed here:

HEAVY EQUIPMENT OPERATOR

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: Two (2) years of experience in the operation of highway construction and maintenance equipment.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENT: Possession of a valid New York State operator’s license appropriate for the vehicles operated.

St. Lawrence County Vacancy Authorization Form

Position Centrals Link

Employee Centrals Link

Department of Highways

Type: Fill

Motor Equipment Operator

Subunit (If Applicable):

Date Submitted: 10/21/24

Reason Vacated: Promotion

Position Number: 310100021

Date Vacated: 10/26/2024

Position # Abolished:

Position Status: Fulltime

Last Fill Date: 07/26/2022

Jurisdictional Class: Non-Competitive

Appointee Will Be: Permanent

Hrs Per Week: 40 Shift Length: 8 FTE: 1.00

Budget

Salary of Person Leaving: $41,779

Benefits: Yes (52.94%) $22,118

Base Salary: $41,065

Base Hourly: $19.74

Grade: 18

Fill Request Timeline: Immediately

Revenue Generating: No 0 %

Reimbursed by Local, State or Federal Funds: No 0 %

Net County Cost: $63,897

*Net County Cost is calculated from salary of person leaving, if available

Detailed Justification

What is the impact on your department if this position is not filled? Please provide, in detail, the need to fill the position. Please include the service provided, if it is mandated, number of people (clients) affected, and what you will do if the position is not filled.

The Motor Equipment Operator (MEO) position, which requires a CDL, is needed for the operation of snow plow trucks and equipment. This position is also needed for road construction and maintenance. Due to the reduction in staff and the need to mechanize operations, MEO positions reflect actual Department of Highways operations. The MEO position's duties also include, but are not limited to, tree cutting, road patrolling, culvert/bridge repairs and painting. This position is also needed to maintain crew size for safety.

Department Head Initials (type): DRC

Submit to Human Resources

Approved?

Yes ☐ No ☐

County Administrator:

Resolution #:

Job Qualifications

For Human Resources Use Only:
Job Qualifications Listed here:

MOTOR EQUIPMENT OPERATOR

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: Graduation from high school, possession of a high school equivalency diploma, or possession of an Individual Education Plan diploma.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENT: Must obtain a Class A OR B CDL within Twelve (12) months of appointment, if required by employing agency.

December 2, 2024

Finance Committee: 11-25-2024

RESOLUTION NO.

AUTHORIZING THE DISSOLUTION OF THE VACANCY REVIEW COMMITTEE AND DELEGATING THE AUTHORITY TO FILL AND ABOLISH POSITIONS TO THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, in August of 2015, the Vacancy Review Committee was reestablished and assigned the role of evaluating positions within St. Lawrence County Government where Department Heads are requesting positions be abolished, created, and/or filled, and

WHEREAS, since 2016, the County Administrator has been providing the Board of Legislators with an annual summary of the actions of the Vacancy Review Committee and made recommendations for changes to be considered by the Board of Legislators to improve the efficiency of the Committee and County Staff as a whole, and

WHEREAS, the work of the Committee has held its value, including better working knowledge by Legislators of the roles and responsibilities of positions in departments and the Board of Legislators has benefited from the ongoing information provided about the annual vacancies (approximately 160), the average immediate fill rate (above ninety 90% percent), the summaries by departments, ultimately the understanding of the challenges presented to the County if positions are not filled, and

WHEREAS, one of the recommendations made by the Administrator allowed her to fill positions that had been filled for less than a year, to create and fill part-time and transitional positions, and that authority has been utilized carefully, benefiting the departments by expediting the process to fill positions, and

WHEREAS, there is a request to dissolve the Vacancy Review Committee and vest the County Administrator with the necessary authority to fill budgeted positions, and continue with the preexisting authority granted to her, and

WHEREAS, for any positions requested to be created, the process would require consideration and approval by the Board of Legislators,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Dissolution of the Vacancy Review Committee and delegates the authority to fill and abolish positions the County Administrator, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the authority to create full-time positions will remain with the Board of Legislators for review and approval.

December 2, 2024

Finance Committee: 11-25-2024

RESOLUTION NO.

AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A TWO-YEAR CONTRACT EXTENSION FOR LOCAL MUNICIPAL WATER AND WASTEWATER INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS FUNDED WITH AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) FUNDS

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, on May 2, 2022 Resolution No. 181-2022 adopted the recommendations made by the ARPA Committee regarding the uses of $20.9M in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds provided to St. Lawrence County, and

WHEREAS, funds were appropriated to support water and wastewater infrastructure projects in the County, and

WHEREAS, the Chair has been authorized to sign contracts appropriating these funds by Resolution No. 68-2023 dated February 6, 2023, and

WHEREAS, the total amount under contract is $2,969,563 and $1,927,188.86 has been expended, additional work will be completed beyond the contract termination date of December 31, 2024, so an extension is recommended through December 31, 2026,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes a two-year Contract Extension for Local Municipal Water and Wastewater Infrastructure Projects funded with American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds

Municipality	Total Contract	Encumbered	Remaining Value	Project
Village of Canton	$475,000	$475,000	$393,564.64	Common Water Supply (8350)
Town of Clifton	$74,346	$74,346	$69,082.86	Waste Water Treatment (8130)
Town of Madrid	$300,000	$300,000	$289,499.00	Water Transfer and Distribution (8340)
City of Ogdensburg	$400,000	$400,000	$20,000.02	Waste Water Treatment (8130)
Totals:	$1,249,346	$1,249,346	$772,146.52	

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any funds not spent in 2024 will be rolled over to 2025 and be fully expended by 2026, in accordance with the U.S. Treasury Final Rule.

December 2, 2024

Finance Committee: 11-25-2024

RESOLUTION NO.

AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A TWO-YEAR CONTRACT EXTENSION FOR BROADBAND EXPANSION PROJECTS APPROPRIATING AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) FUNDS

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, on May 2, 2022 Resolution No. 181-2022 adopted the recommendations made by the ARPA Committee regarding the uses of $20.9M in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds provided to St. Lawrence County, and

WHEREAS, funds were appropriated to support broadband development and installation (hereinafter, "broadband expansion") projects in the County, and

WHEREAS, the Chair was authorized to sign contracts appropriating these funds by Resolution 145-2023 dated April 1, 2023, and

WHEREAS, $2,955,145 is obligated, and, to date, $111,163 has been expended and an additional $1.65M is pending, and all projects are either under construction or poised for construction in 2025, but not all projects will be completed by the contract termination date of December 31, 2024, so an extension is recommended through December 31, 2026,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a two-year extension of contracts appropriating American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds for broadband expansion projects, as follows:

Municipality	Lot	Total Contract	Encumbered	Remaining Value
Town of Colton	SLIC Fiber-Lot 7	$91,408	$91,408	$91,408
Town of Norfolk	SLIC Fiber-Lot 13	$123,520	$123,520	$123,520
Town of Colton	SLIC Fiber-Lot 8	$109,199	$109,199	$109,199
Town of Waddington	SLIC Fiber-Lot 21	$67,081	$67,081	$67,081
Towns of Lisbon & Madrid	SLIC Fiber-Lot 12	$341,000	$341,000	$341,000
Town of Stockholm	SLIC Fiber-Lot 20	$267,787	$267,787	$267,787
Town of Brasher	SLIC Fiber-Lot 1	$59,713	$59,713	$59,713
Town of Potsdam	SLIC Fiber-Lot 19	$327,048	$327,048	$327,048
Town of Oswegatchie	SLIC Fiber-Lot 16	$25,724	$25,724	$25,724
Town of Oswegatchie	SLIC Fiber-Lot 14	$323,926	$323,926	$323,926
Towns of Lawrence & Hopkinton	SLIC Fiber-Lot 11	$212,943	$212,943	$212,943
Town of Canton	SLIC Fiber-Lot 4	$406,071	$406,071	$406,071

Towns of Canton & Russell	SLIC Fiber-Lot 5	$203,345	$203,345	$203,345
Town of Canton	SLIC Fiber-Lot 3	$209,143	$209,143	$209,143
Town of Oswegatchie	SLIC Fiber-Lot 15	$76,074	$76,074	$76,074
	Totals:	$2,843,982	$2,843,982	$2,843,982

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any funds not spent in 2024 will be rolled over to 2025 and be fully expended by 2026, in accordance with the U.S. Treasury Final Rule.

December 2, 2024

Full Board:

RESOLUTION NO.

ADOPTING LOCAL LAW H (NO.) FOR THE YEAR 2024 "TAX CAP OVERRIDE FOR FY 2025"

By Mr. Forsythe

Section 1. TITLE OF THE LOCAL LAW

This Local Law shall be entitled "Tax Cap Override for FY 2025."

Section 2. AUTHORIZATION

For fiscal year 2025, the County of St. Lawrence shall override the real property tax levy limit established by Chapter 97 of the Laws of 2011 of the State of New York and may adopt a budget requiring a tax levy that is greater than such tax levy limit.

Section 3. VOTE REQUIREMENT

This local law is adopted pursuant to subdivision 5 of the General Municipal Law § 3-C, which expressly authorizes the County Board of Legislators to override the tax levy limit by the adoption of a local law approved by vote of sixty percent (60%) of the Board.

Section 4. PURPOSE

The purpose of this local law is to permit the override of the limit on the amount of real property taxes that may be levied by the County of St. Lawrence, and to allow the County to adopt a county budget for the fiscal year 2025 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the "tax levy limit" as defined by General Municipal Law § 3-C.

Section 5. DEFINITION

Tax Cap Override for FY 2025 - The County Board of Legislators, County of St. Lawrence, is hereby authorized to adopt a budget for FY 2025 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the amount otherwise proscribed in General Municipal Law § 3-C.

Section 6. SUPERSESSION

Pursuant to the powers granted by the Municipal Home Rule, this Local Law supersedes all provisions of any other laws in the County of St. Lawrence, in so far as such statues are inconsistent with this Local Law and any other laws or regulations of the County of St. Lawrence are superseded to the extent necessary to give this Local Law full force and effect. All other provisions shall remain the same.

Section 7. SEVERABILITY

Each separate provision of this Local Law shall be deemed independent of all other provisions therein, and if any provisions shall be deemed or declared invalid, all other provisions hereof shall remain valid and enforceable.

Section 8. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Local Law shall take effect immediately upon filing in the office of the Secretary of State, in accordance with Municipal Home Rule Law § 27.

December 2, 2024

Finance Committee: 11-25-2024

RESOLUTION NO.

ESTABLISHING A DATE AND TIME FOR THE ORGANIZATIONAL BOARD MEETING

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

BE IT RESOLVED that the Organizational Meeting of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators shall be held on Thursday, January 2, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. in the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators' Chambers, Court House, Canton, New York for the purpose of electing a Chair of the Board of Legislators and any other business that may come before the Board.

December 2, 2024

Finance Committee: 11-25-2024

RESOLUTION NO.

MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE FOR COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH COMMUNITY COLLEGE TUITION

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of subdivision four of section 6305 of the Education Law, counties that do not have a community college are required to pay for partial tuition for its residents, which is charged back to the perspective towns and villages, and

WHEREAS, the 2024 Budget appropriated $905,500 for payments to Community Colleges, and

WHEREAS, the outstanding bills and any additional bills anticipated through the end of 2024 require a request for a transfer of funds to cover the cost of appropriations,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2024 Budget for the County Administrator's Office for costs associated with community college tuition, as follows:

DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

B1019904 49700	B SPEC Contingency Account	$125,000

INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

B1E24904 46502	B EDUC Community Colleges Tuition	$125,000

December 2, 2024

Finance Committee: 11-25-2024

RESOLUTION NO.

AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A RENEWAL APPLICATION WITH EXCELLUS BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD FOR STOP LOSS INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR 2025

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, the cost of health benefits for St. Lawrence County employees, retirees, and their families continue to rise each year, and

WHEREAS, the County continues to pursue, research, and implement programs in an effort to contain these costs, and

WHEREAS, in 2018, the Board of Legislators established a reserve for high cost claims, which currently has a balance of $10,873,491, and

WHEREAS, in 2022, the Board of Legislators authorized the purchase of Stop Loss Insurance which allows the County to better manage the risk associated with high-cost insurance claims (medical and prescriptions) and to help stabilize the impact of those costs on the Plan, and

WHEREAS, the Benefit Consultant who works on behalf of the County secured Requests for Proposals (RFPs) for Stop Loss Insurance in December 2021, and these proposals demonstrated Excellus BC/BS to be the most competitive with the lowest premiums, and

WHEREAS, the policy for 2024 included a $400,000 deductible for an approximate premium cost of $451,534 and to date, the County has been reimbursed $803,303 to date (approximately $351,769 over the premium cost), and

WHEREAS, in consideration for the 2025 plan year, it is recommended that the specific deductible be continued at $400,000 (on a "12/15" claims basis) for an approximate annualized premium cost of $535,961,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a renewal application with Excellus Blue Cross Blue Shield for Stop Loss Insurance coverage for 2025.

December 2, 2024

Finance Committee: 11-25-2024

RESOLUTION NO.

MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR THE ASSIGNED COUNSEL PROGRAM

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, the cost for Assigned Counsel for Indigent Defense has exceeded the 2024 budgeted appropriations, and

WHEREAS, with eligibility standards changing, along with State-mandated rate increases, the cost of providing indigent defense continues to rise, with the State reimbursing up to fifty percent (50%) of these increased costs,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2024 Budget for the Assigned Counsel Program, as follows:

INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

IA011704 430CC	IA AC Criminal Cases	$150,000
IA011704 430AC	IA AC Appeals Cases	100,000
IA011704 430FC	IA AC Family Court Cases	150,000
IA011704 43007	IA AC Other Fees & Services	17,000
		$417,000

DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

B1019904 49700	B SPEC Contingency Account	$179,850

INCREASE REVENUE:

IA030255 56000	IA AC SA Indigent Legal Services	$199,750
IA030895 560AD	IA AC SA Aid to Defense	13,700
IA030895 560IP	SA Inmate Parole	23,700
		$237,150

December 2, 2024

Finance Committee: 11-25-2024

RESOLUTION NO.

AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CONTRACT RENEWAL WITH NEW YORK STATE INDUSTRIES FOR THE DISABLED, INC. FOR RECORDS MANAGEMENT SERVICES

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, St. Lawrence County recognizes the need to have ongoing records management services performed, and

WHEREAS, New York State Industries for the Disabled, Inc. ("NYSID"), a 501c (3) not-for-profit corporation, was appointed by the New York State Commissioner of Education pursuant to Section 162 of the New York State Finance Law to facilitate orders on behalf of Preferred Source Agencies, such as St. Lawrence NYSID, and

WHEREAS, the St. Lawrence NYSID has provided records management services for St. Lawrence County for over 30 years, and

WHEREAS, this contract allows the County to purchase services for document preparation such as micrographics, digital imaging or imaging on microfilm, CD's, and document shredding,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a contract renewal with New York State Industries for the Disabled Inc. (B1014604 43006) for records management services for January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025, upon approval of the County Attorney.

12-2-2024

Finance Committee: 11-25-2024

RESOLUTION NO.

REQUESTING THE NEW YORK STATE LEGISLATURE AND GOVERNOR ADOPT LEGISLATION TO PERMIT ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY HOME RULE TO EXTEND THE SALES TAX RATE AS PREVIOUSLY AUTHORIZED FROM THREE (3%) PERCENT TO FOUR (4%) PERCENT

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, St. Lawrence County, by authority of Chapter 191 of the Laws of 2013, increased the sales tax rate for the period beginning December 1, 2013 through November 30, 2015 then was granted an extension from December 1, 2015 through November 30, 2017 and then was granted an extension from December 1, 2017 through November 30, 2020, and then granted an extension from December 1, 2020 through November 30, 2023, and most recently granted an extension from December 1, 2023 through November 30, 2025, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to enabling legislation, St. Lawrence County adopted implementing resolutions imposing the increase of three (3%) percent to four (4%) percent effective most recently on December 1, 2023 scheduled to expire on November 30, 2025 and is requesting an extension to allow the additional one (1%) percent be collected through November 30, 2026, and

WHEREAS, traditionally a two (2) year extender was granted to counties through Home Rule Legislation, however in 2017, New York State added an additional year to the extension, making the extension effective for a three (3) year period, and

WHEREAS, the addition of a year on the extension was extremely helpful for fiscal planning in St. Lawrence County and if permanency is not considered, as a part of the review, in 2025, an additional three years would be the request of the County, and

WHEREAS, New York State continues to impose mandates that have financial consequences, which include but are not limited to Medicaid, special education and preschool programming, and retirement costs that places unnecessary strain on county resources, and

WHEREAS, due to the State-imposed financial mandates and the current state of the economy, it is necessary for the County to continue to seek permission to collect the additional one (1%) percent tax pursuant to Tax Law § 1210, and

WHEREAS, it is the request of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators that the sales tax rate be extended to provide for the four (4%) percent to be collected,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators hereby requests the New York State Legislature and the New York State Governor adopt legislation to permit Home Rule for St. Lawrence County to extend the sales tax rate, as previously authorized, pursuant to Tax Law § 1210 and Tax Law § 1224 from three (3%) percent to four (4%) percent be extended for an additional period continuing at least until November 30, 2026, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be forwarded to Governor Kathy Hochul, Senator Dan Stec, Senator Mark Walczyk, Assemblyman Ken Blankenbush, and Assemblyman Scott Gray.

December 2, 2024

Finance Committee: 11-25-2024

RESOLUTION NO.

AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A TEMPORARY ACCESS AND USE AGREEMENT WITH NATIONAL GRID

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, St. Lawrence County received notice from National Grid that they are planning to perform work on an areas of their infrastructure and in order to access some of the areas, they would like to secure a temporary access and use agreement so they can cross parcels owned by the County in order to complete the work, and

WHEREAS, the County has a great partnership with National Grid and is supportive of work to improve the ability to transmit and distribute power across the North County that will ensure a reliable power grid for the future, and

WHEREAS, the parcels requested are adjacent to the areas important to the Project; Dennison - Colton #4 & 5 Electric Transmission Lines Project that have been identified as areas that National Grid would like to have permission to access during an upcoming project, and

WHEREAS, in order for this type of access to be granted, a resolution is requested to authorize the Chair to sign the agreement(s) pending and any future agreements that pertain to this project,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a temporary access and use agreement(s) with National Grid.

December 2, 2024

Finance Committee: 11-25-2024

RESOLUTION NO.

MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR THE ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY FORMER SHERIFF'S HOUSE AND JAIL ROOF AND FACADE ALTERATION PROJECT AND CLOSE THE CAPITAL PROJECT

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, the Old Jail and Sheriff's House has been offline since approximately 2009 when the new Correctional Facility opened at 6 Commerce Lane in Canton, and

WHEREAS, at that time, the County was in poor fiscal health without the ability to consider addressing deferred maintenance, so a minimal approach was taken to set up a capital project and to complete a hazardous materials study, and

WHEREAS, since the facility closed, there has been continued damage to the roof due to the weather, there was antiquated radio equipment abandoned on the roof which allowed water penetration from above as well as the mortar joints of stone walls of the structure had been compromised and were in need of repointing, which was also allowing water penetration through the walls, and

WHEREAS, in 2022, the County solicited bids for roof replacement, equipment removal, repointing the stone facade and removal of the hazardous materials identified in the previous study and in 2023 able to move forward with the Project, and

WHEREAS, the Buildings and Grounds Committee reviewed the progress of the Project and authorized additional work that included but was not limited to; inclusion of safety ladders for roof access, addressing the discovery of additional hazardous materials along the roofline, the replacement of the rotted framing and the porch roof, the replacment of the ceiling and floor of the porch area, and

WHEREAS, the cost associated with these additions to the Project have impacted the overall project cost, which was originally authorized and approved in Resolution No. 328-2023 at $875,000, and

WHEREAS, the approved work has been completed and Northern Tier Contracting, Inc. exceeded expectations with the quality of the work and now requires a modification of the overall budget to support that work,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2024 Budget for the St. Lawrence County Former Sheriff's House and Jail Roof and Facade Alteration Project and to close the capital project, as follows:

<u>DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS:</u>

B1019904 49700	B SPEC Contingency Account	$225,000

INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

T6199509 90600	T IFT GF Transfer to CP	$225,000
BG619974 43007 BDUP	B BLDG Upgrades County Facilities	225,000
		$450,000

INCREASE REVENUE:

T6650319 90100	T IFT CP Transfers from GF	$225,000

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Capital Project for the St. Lawrence County Former Sheriff's House and Jail Roof and Facade Alteration Project is authorized to be closed by December 31, 2024, when all outstanding invoices have been paid.

December 2, 2024

Finance Committee: 11-25-2024

RESOLUTION NO.

MODIFYING 2024 BUDGET FOR RENT SHORTFALL AND UTILITIES IN GOUVERNEUR AND MASSENA SATELLITE OFFICES

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, satellite offices were vacated in Gouverneur and Massena in the third quarter of 2023, and

WHEREAS, the County leases space at 21 Harrowgate Commons, Massena at a monthly cost of $9,002.50, of which the vacated space totaled $2,562 per month, and

WHEREAS, the County leases space at 99 West Main Street, Gouverneur, at a monthly cost of $3,350, of the vacated space totaled $1,686 per month, and

WHEREAS, the vacated space also leaves utility costs that are redistributed to the departments that remain, and

WHEREAS, payments for offices without designated departments are paid from the Treasurer's Office to make certain the obligations of the County are maintained,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2024 Budgets for rent shortfall and utilities in Gouverneur and Massena Satellite Offices, as follows:

INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

T2013254 40700	T Treas Rent Shortfalls	$51,000
Q1G31404 41600	Q Gou Electricity	400
Q1G31404 43007	Q Gouv Other Fees & Services	4,500
Q1M31404 43007	Q Mass Other Fees & Services	600
XPT36404 43007	X Towers Other Fees and Services	600
K1314104 43007	K MDMV Other Fees and Services	600
		$57,700

DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

B1019904 49700	B SPEC Contingency Account	$57,700

December 2, 2024 **(TABLED)**

Finance Committee: 10-28-2024

RESOLUTION NO.

AUTHORIZING A CHANGE ORDER WITH MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS, INC. FOR THE ADDITION OF GEO-REDUNDANT PRIME EQUIPMENT AND SERVICES AT MASSENA AND WHITE HILL SITES

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 432-2022 authorized a contract with Motorola Solutions, Inc. for the purchase of public safety communications equipment, software, and applicable maintenance services, and authorized a lease purchase for equipment, and

WHEREAS, the successful vendor, Motorola Solutions, has recommended the County add a level of redundancy to the system through a geo-redundant prime, which is a strategy that involves spreading critical infrastructure, like servers, across multiple data centers in different locations, so if one location fails the system can continue to operate without interruption by switching to another location, and

WHEREAS, virtual Geo-Redundant Prime Site solutions for the North and South Cells will provide additional redundancy to the system, and the Prime Site is responsible for providing call processing, channel assignments, synchronization of transmissions, and comparison of received signals within the simulcast network, and

WHEREAS, the cost of the original contract was $12,150,000, and including the Geo-Redundant Prime System equipment and deployment would add $766,405 to the contract to be funded by FY24 (X2Z36402 25000 SICG), totaling $12,916,405, and

WHEREAS, the original maintenance contract cost was $4,109,998, and with the Geo-Redundant Prime Maintenance add-on at a cost of $623,329, the new maintenance contract cost is $4,733,327, and this change order shall increase the Radio Project Contract price by $1,389,734 and will coincide with the original ten (10) year contract with maintenance years 4-10 estimatated to begin in 2028 to be billed annually, in advance,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes a change order for the addition of Geo-Redundant Prime Equipment and Services at the Massena and White Hill Sites, upon approval of the County Attorney.

(Note: This resolution was tabled and will need a motion to remove it from the table.)