



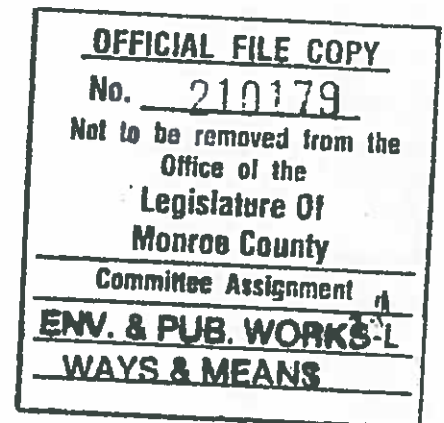
Office of the County Executive

Monroe County, New York

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To The Honorable
Monroe County Legislature
407 County Office Building
Rochester, New York 14614



Subject: Amend the 2021-2026 Capital Improvement Program and the 2021 Capital Budget to Add a Project Entitled "Iola Combined Heat and Power Plant Improvements" and Authorize Financing for the Project; and Amend Bond Resolution 306 of 2019 to Provide a Decrease in Funding for the Project Entitled "Monroe Community Hospital Physical Plant"

Honorable Legislators:

I recommend that Your Honorable Body amend the 2021-2026 Capital Improvement Program and the 2021 Capital Budget to add a project entitled "Iola Combined Heat and Power Plant Improvements" in the amount of \$5,500,000 and authorize financing for the project in the amount of \$5,500,000; and amend Bond Resolution 306 of 2019 to decrease funding for the project entitled "Monroe Community Hospital Physical Plant" by the amount of \$5,750,000 for a total authorization of \$2,250,000.

The Monroe Community Hospital ("MCH") campus currently utilizes steam from the Iola cogeneration plant constructed in 2002 for heating and cooling. A New York State Energy Research and Development Authority energy study was completed in 2015 to evaluate alternatives for providing electricity and steam to MCH. The MCH Physical Plant Project and establishment of capital fund 1926 was created to fund the preferred alternate of relocating the boiler plant from Iola to MCH.

The Department of Environmental Services ("DES") has completed further engineering assessments and a schematic design for a new Physical Plant proposed for the MCH Campus. Based on a number of technical and functional considerations, the cost of a new Physical Plant at MCH exceeds that which was estimated in 2015. DES has conducted further engineering and operational assessments on the existing Iola plant and has determined that this plant can continue to provide reliable utility services to MCH, with work to be completed under the proposed Iola Combined Heat and Power Plant Improvements Project (e.g. rehabilitate utility tunnel under East Henrietta Road, hardening of electrical switchgear room, and other electrical and mechanical improvements). Because capital fund 1926 was established for new facilities at MCH, and the proposed improvements are to the existing Iola plant, a new capital fund needs to be created and the authorization for the existing capital fund needs to be decreased.

This project is scheduled to be considered by the Monroe County Planning Board on May 27, 2021.

The specific legislative actions required are:

1. Amend the 2021-2026 Capital Improvement Program to add a project entitled "Iola Combined Heat and Power Plant Improvements" in the amount of \$5,500,000.

2. Amend the 2021 Capital Budget to add a project entitled "Iola Combined Heat and Power Plant Improvements" in the amount of \$5,500,000.
3. Authorize financing for the project entitled "Iola Combined Heat and Power Plant Improvements" in the amount of \$5,500,000.
4. Amend Bond Resolution 306 of 2019 to decrease capital fund 1926 by \$5,750,000 for a total authorization of \$2,250,000.

This action is a Type II Action pursuant to 6 NYCRR §617.5(c)(1) ("maintenance or repair involving no substantial changes in an existing structure or facility") and (2) ("replacement, rehabilitation or reconstruction of a structure or facility, in kind, on the same site, including upgrading buildings to meet building, energy, or fire codes unless such action meets or exceeds any of the thresholds in section 617.4 of this Part") and is not subject to further review under the State Environmental Quality Review Act.

Funding for this project, consistent with authorized uses, will be included in the capital fund to be created and any other capital fund(s) created for the same intended purpose. No additional net County support is required in the current Monroe County budget.

I recommend that this matter be referred to the appropriate committee(s) for favorable action by Your Honorable Body.

Sincerely,


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