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Committee Assignment

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

Subject:

Amend the 2022 Capital Budget and Bond Resolution 388 of 2020 to Provide an

Increase in Funding for the Replacement of Voting Machines Project

Honorable Legislators:

This matter is being referred to Your Honorable Body at the request of Monroe County Board of Elections Commissioners Jackie Ortiz and Lisa Nicolay.

I recommend that Your Honorable Body amend the 2022 Capital Budget and Bond Resolution 388 of 2020 to provide an increase in funding for the Replacement of Voting Machines project.

The Replacement of Voting Machines project was approved by Resolution 388 of 2020 in anticipation of the New York State Board of Elections certifying new voting machines to replace the County's existing machines, which are now close to fourteen years old. New York State has narrowed down its list of potential replacement voting machines, and is close to making its certification decision.

Based on the narrowed list of potential machines and cost quotes obtained by the Monroe County Board of Elections, the total cost of the project is now estimated to be \$10,000,000. Offsetting this increase in cost, however, is an award from the New York State Board of Elections (TIER Grant) in the amount of \$757,621.02.

The specific legislative actions required are:

1. Amend the 2022 Capital Budget to increase funding for the Replacement of Voting Machines Project, in the amount of \$3,000,000, from \$6,500,000 to \$9,500,000, for a total project authorization of \$9,500,000.

2. Amend Bond Resolution 388 of 2020 to increase financing for the Replacement of Voting Machines Project, capital fund 1996, in the amount of \$3,000,000, from \$6,500,000 to \$9,500,000, for a total project authorization of \$9,500,000.

This action is a Type II Action pursuant to 6 NYCRR § 617.5(c)(26) ("routine or continuing agency administration and management, not including new programs or major reordering of priorities that may affect the environment") and is not subject to further review under the State Environmental Quality Review Act.

Funding for this project, consistent with authorized uses, will be available in capital fund 1996 once the additional financing authorization requested herein is approved, and in any capital fund(s) created for the same intended purpose.

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

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