

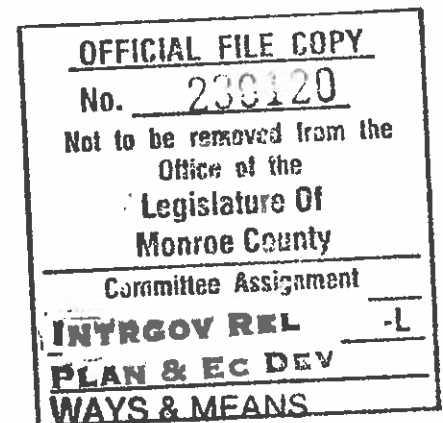


# Office of the County Executive

Monroe County, New York

**Adam J. Bello**  
*County Executive*

April 7, 2023



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

**Subject:** Acceptance of a Restore New York Grant from Empire State Development Corporation for the Tent City Project and Authorize an Intermunicipal Agreement with the City of Rochester to Pass Through Funding for the Tent City Project

Honorable Legislators:

I recommend that Your Honorable Body accept a Restore New York grant from Empire State Development Corporation in the amount of \$1,500,000 for the Tent City Project and authorize an intermunicipal agreement with the City of Rochester to pass through funding up to the amount of \$1,500,000 for the Tent City Project.

The purpose of this grant and intermunicipal agreement is to enable the County to provide funding to the City of Rochester for a portion of the Tent City Project, which includes renovation of the 5-story, 122,000 square foot Tent City Building for creation of 88 affordable housing units and 94 parking spaces on the 1.48 acre site located at 280-286 Lyell Avenue and 55 Dewey Avenue in the City of Rochester. The remainder of the total Project cost of \$55,348 will be funded through the City of Rochester and from equity and financing from the developer, WinnDevelopment.

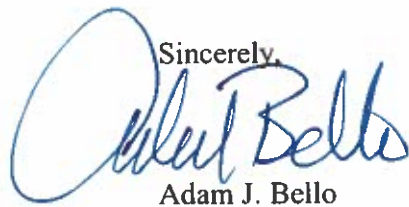
**The specific legislative actions required are:**

1. Authorize the County Executive, or his designee, to accept a \$1,500,000 Restore New York grant from, and to execute a contract and any amendments thereto with, Empire State Development Corporation for the Tent City Project.
2. Authorize the County Executive, or his designee, to enter into an intermunicipal agreement, and any amendments thereto, with the City of Rochester to pass through funding for the Tent City Project up to the amount of \$1,500,000.
3. Amend the 2023 operating budget of the Department of Planning and Development by appropriating the sum of \$1,500,000 into general fund 9300, funds center 1401010000, Planning Administration.

This action is a Type II Action pursuant to 6 NYCRR § 617.5(c)(18) (“reuse of a residential or commercial structure, or of a structure containing mixed residential and commercial uses, where the residential or commercial use is a permitted use under the applicable zoning law or ordinance, including permitted by special-use permit, and the action does not meet 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.

This grant is 100% funded by Empire State Development Corporation. No 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,  
  
Adam J. Bello  
Monroe County Executive