

MONROE COUNTY

Planning and Economic Development Committee

May 19, 2025 5:45 PM

AGENDA

- A. ROLL CALL
- B. PUBLIC FORUM
- C. PRESENTATION

2026-2031 Capital Improvement Program

Pat Gooch, Senior Planner, Monroe County Planning and Development Department

As it pertains to the Planning and Economic Development Committee

D. <u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</u>

February 24, 2025

E. NEW BUSINESS

25-0158

Adopt 2026-2031 Capital Improvement Program - County Executive Adam J. Bello

25-0159

Amend Resolution 194 of 2021 as Amended by Resolution 173 of 2022 to Extend the Grant Period of the Home Investment Partnerships - American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP) Program and to Authorize a Contract with Cain Properties, LLC for the Development of the Fine Arts Lofts - County Executive Adam J. Bello

25-0160

Amend Resolution 144 of 2024 to Authorize an Amendment to Monroe County's 2024 Annual Action Plan for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program to Revise a Project Scope and Location to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development - County Executive Adam J. Bello

25-0161

Authorize Grant Contracts Pursuant to the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) - County Executive Adam J. Bello

25-0168

2025-2029 Five Year Strategic Plan and 2025 Annual Action Plan for Housing and Community Development in Suburban Monroe County and Grant Submission to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development - County Executive Adam J. Bello

25-0177

Acceptance of a Safe Streets and Roads for All Grant from the United States Department of Transportation's Federal Highway Administration for the Monroe County Active Transportation Safety Project - County Executive Adam J. Bello

F. OTHER MATTERS

G. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

The next meeting of the Planning and Economic Development Committee is Scheduled for Monday, June 23, 2025 at 5:45 P.M.



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Summary of Minutes PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE February 24, 2025 5:45 p.m.

Chairman Frazier called the meeting to order at 5:52 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ricky Frazier (Chair), Santos Cruz (Vice Chair), Frank Ciardi (RMM), Sean

McCabe, Yversha M. Román (Ex-Officio)

MEMBERS ABSENT: Linda Hasman (Excused)

OTHER LEGISLATORS PRESENT: Lystra Bartholomew McCoy, Carolyn Delvecchio Hoffman, Mark Johns, Dave

Long, Tom Sinclair

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT: Anthony Plonczynski-Figueroa (Assistant County Executive), Adrienne Green

(Legislative Liaison, Robert Franklin (Chief Financial Officer), John Bringewatt

(County Attorney)

<u>PUBLIC FORUM</u>: There were no speakers.

<u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</u>: The minutes of January 28, 2025 were approved as submitted.

NEW BUSINESS:

President Roman voted on the following referrals

25-0033 - Approve a Public Employees Blanket Bond for the Genesee/Finger Lakes Regional Planning

Council - County Executive Adam J. Bello

MOVED by Legislator Cruz, SECONDED by Legislator McCabe.

ADOPTED: 5-0

25-0034- Authorize the Annual Contribution to the Genesee/Finger Lakes Regional Planning Council -

County Executive Adam J. Bello

MOVED by Legislator Cruz, SECONDED by Legislator Ciardi.

ADOPTED: 5-0

25-0035- Acceptance of a Grant from the Genesee Transportation Council for a Land Use Monitoring

Report Project - County Executive Adam J. Bello

MOVED by Legislator Cruz, SECONDED by Legislator Ciardi.

ADOPTED: 5-0

OTHER MATTERS

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no other matters, Chairman Frazier adjourned the meeting at 5:57 p.m.

The next Planning and Economic Development Committee meeting will be Monday, March 24, 2025 at 5:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted, Adina Goldstein Second Assistant Deputy Clerk of the Legislature



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Monroe County, New York

Adam J. Bello County Executive

May 9, 2025

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

Subject: Adopt 2026-2031 Capital Improvement Program

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Honorable Legislators:

I recommend that Your Honorable Body adopt the proposed 2026-2031 Capital Improvement Program as recommended by the Monroe County Planning Board. The proposed Capital Improvement Program is submitted to the County Legislature in accordance with Section C4-10 of Article IV and Section C5-7(c) of Article V of the Monroe County Charter.

This proposed program includes projects designed to address aging infrastructure while at the same time ensuring that Monroe County continues to grow and expand its job base and quality of life. Projects contained in the program are intended to improve and modernize public buildings, improve critical sewer and transportation infrastructure, and continue investments in voting equipment, public safety, the Frederick Douglass Greater Rochester International Airport, the County Parks System, the Monroe County Library System, the Monroe Community Hospital, and Monroe Community College.

The 2026-2031 Capital Improvement Program is the result of a collaborative effort involving the County Executive's Office, Departments of Planning and Development, Finance (Office of Management and Budget), Law, Transportation, Environmental Services, Parks, and Information Services. In addition, the Monroe County Planning Board put in many hours in reviewing and recommending this program. I want to thank all of those involved in the preparation of this program for their hard work and dedication.

The specific legislative actions required are:

Fix a public hearing on the adoption of the proposed 2026-2031 Capital 1. Improvement Program.

- 2. Direct the Clerk of the Legislature to publish legal notice of such public hearing at least once in one daily newspaper of general circulation in the County at least ten (10) days before the date set for the hearing.
- 3. Adopt the proposed 2026-2031 Capital Improvement Program, as submitted, in its entirety.

This action is a Type II Action pursuant to 6 NYCRR § 617.5(c)(27) ("conducting concurrent environmental, engineering, economic, feasibility and other studies and preliminary planning and budgetary processes necessary to the formulation of a proposal for action, provided those activities do not commit the agency to commence, engage in or approve such action") and is not subject to further review under the State Environmental Quality Review Act.

The adoption of the proposed 2026-2031 Capital Improvement Program will have no impact on the revenues or expenditures of the current Monroe County budget.

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

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Subject: Amend Resolution 194 of 2021 as Amended by Resolution 173 of 2022 to Extend the Grant Period of the Home Investment Partnerships – American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP) Program and to Authorize a Contract with Cain Properties, LLC for the Development of the Fine Arts Lofts

Honorable Legislators:

I recommend that Your Honorable Body amend Resolution 194 of 2021 as amended by Resolution 173 of 2022 to extend the grant period to September 30, 2030 for the Home Investment Partnerships – American Rescue Plan ("HOME-ARP") and authorize a contract with Cain Properties, LLC for the development of the Fine Arts Lofts for the amount of \$750,000 for the period of August 1, 2025 through January 31, 2027, with the option to extend for one (1) year at no additional cost.

Approval of this submission will leverage \$6.2 million for the adaptive reuse of the former Hotel Cadillac to create a 42-unit mixed-income, mixed-use, and supportive housing project. Guidance issued by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development indicated that funds must be allocated to HOME-ARPA eligible activities that must primarily benefit qualifying individuals and families who are homeless, at risk of homelessness, or in other vulnerable populations.

Cain Properties, LLC was selected through a joint County and City of Rochester Request for Proposals.

- Amend Resolution 194 of 2021 as amended by Resolution 173 of 2022 to extend the grant period to September 30, 2030 for the Home Investment Partnerships – American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP).
- 2. Authorize the County Executive, or his designee, to execute a contract, and any amendments thereto, with Cain Properties, LLC, 425 East Ridge Road, PO 17374, Rochester, New York 14617, for the development of the Fine Arts Lofts in the amount of \$750,000 for the period August 1, 2025 through January 31, 2027, with the option to extend for one (1) year at no additional cost.
- 3. Authorize the County Executive, or his designee, to execute all contracts, including intermunicipal agreements, and any amendments thereto, that are necessary to carry out the administration of the Home Investment Partnerships American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP).
- 4. Authorize the County Executive, or his designee, to reappropriate any unencumbered balances during the grant period according to the grantor requirements, to make any necessary funding modifications within the grant guidelines to meet contractual commitments, and to enter into any amendments to extend the time period of the grant.

5. Authorize the County Executive, or his designee, to approve the use of contingency funds or funds reprogrammed from current or prior years pursuant to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development regulations.

This 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 Act.

Funding for this grant is included in the community development fund 9005, funds center 1501010000, Community Development Grants

This grant is funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. No net County support is required in the current Monroe County budget.

The records in the Office of the Monroe County Treasury have indicated that neither Cain Properties, LLC, nor its principal officer, Robert B. Cain, Owner, owe any delinquent Monroe County property taxes.

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

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

Subject:

Amend Resolution 144 of 2024 to Authorize an Amendment to Monroe County's 2024 Annual Action Plan for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program to Revise a Project Scope and Location to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development

Honorable Legislators:

I recommend that Your Honorable Body amend Resolution 144 of 2024 to authorize the submission of an Amendment to the 2024 Annual Action Plan to revise a project location and project type for the Town of Henrietta for the Community Development Block Grant Program to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD").

Approval of this submission by HUD will allow the Town of Henrietta to proceed with a project in an eligible census tract to benefit low-moderate income households.

- 1. Amend Resolution 144 of 2024 to authorize the submission of an Amendment to the 2024 Annual Action Plan for the Community Development Block Grant Program to revise a project scope and location to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and to provide such additional information as may be required by HUD.
- 2. Authorize the County Executive, or his designee, to approve the amendment, subject to HUD approval of the submission.

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This action is an Unlisted Action under the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA"). The Town of Henrietta conducted a coordinated review and found that the proposed action will not result in any significant adverse environmental impacts. The Town of Henrietta has therefore issued a Negative Declaration for this action and no further action under SEQRA is required.

Funding for this contract is included in the community development fund 9005, funds center 1501010000, Community Development Grants.

This grant is 100% funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. 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.

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

Subject: Authorize Grant Contracts Pursuant to the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)

Honorable Legislators:

I recommend that Your Honorable Body authorize grant contracts pursuant to the American Rescue Plan ("ARPA") with the agencies listed in Attachment A in a total amount not to exceed \$3,303,664 for terms to commence on June 11, 2025 and terminate on or before December 31, 2026.

In January, Monroe County issued Requests for Proposals seeking respondents who would use ARPA funding to administer an Acquire, Rehabilitate, and Resale Single-family Homes program, the development of multi-family Affordable Rental Housing, a Home Improvement Program, and a Homeownership Assistance Program. The Acquisition, Rehabilitation, Resale program will increase the supply of single-family homes available to first-time homebuyers who are facing challenges in acquiring the dream of homeownership due to the competitive housing market for lower-income homebuyers. The multi-family Affordable Rental Housing program will make available additional rental units for lower-income seniors and provide high-quality, safe, affordable rental housing opportunities. The Home Improvement Program will provide grants to income-eligible homeowners to repair and revitalize their homes due to the increased cost of construction where they would not otherwise be able to do so on their own. This program will allow homeowners to remain stably housed. The Homeownership Assistance Program will allow a homeowner to realize their dream of homeownership through down payment and closing cost assistance to make their home purchase more affordable.

The Respondents listed in Attachment A were selected as the most qualified to provide these services.

- 1. Authorize the County Executive, or his designee, to execute grant contracts, and any amendments thereto, with the agencies listed in Attachment A in a total amount not to exceed \$3,303,664 for terms to commence on or after June 11, 2025 and terminate on or before December 31, 2026.
- 2. Authorize the County Executive to appropriate any subsequent years of these funds, any returned contractor funds, or any deferred revenue, in accordance with the grant terms, to reappropriate any unencumbered balances during the grant period according to the grantor requirements, and to make any necessary funding modifications within the grant guidelines to meet contractual commitments.

3. Should funding of these programs be modified or terminated for any reason, the County Executive is hereby authorized to terminate or modify the program(s) and where applicable, to terminate or abolish some or all positions funded under such program(s). Any termination or abolishment of positions shall be in accordance of the New York State Civil Service Law, and when applicable, the terms of any labor agreement affecting such positions.

Monroe County will serve as Lead Agency for the following two (2) actions, titled: Homeownership Assistance Program (First Time Home Buyers Program), Acquire, Rehabilitate, and Resale Single-family Homes program (Rochester Housing Development Fund Corporation for the Acquisition Rehab and Resale Program), which have all been preliminarily classified as Unlisted Actions. The provisions of the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act shall be complied with prior to Your Honorable Body undertaking, funding, or approving these projects. The Multi-family Affordable Rental Housing program and the Home Improvement Programs are Type II Actions pursuant to 6 NYCRR §617.5 (c) (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 are not subject to further review under the State Environmental Quality Review Act.

Funding for these grant contracts is included in the Department of Planning and Development, general fund 9301, funds center 1404010000, Community Development. No additional net County support is required in the current Monroe County budget.

Each of these contractors has been reviewed for not-for-profit corporate status and the records in the office of the Monroe County Treasury have indicated that none of these agencies owe any delinquent Monroe County property taxes.

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

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Monroe County Planning and Development Home Investment Partnerships Program Project Summary

Rochester Housing Development Fund Corp (RHDFC) - \$1,000,000: Acquisition Rehabilitation Resale — RHDFC will utilize funding to support the Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resale of 20 properties throughout Monroe County, benefiting first-time homebuyers making under 80% Area Median Income (AMI.) They will administer these funds under the framework of their existing programs, Home Rochester (within the city) and Make Monroe Home (throughout suburban Monroe County.)

Rochester Roots - \$789,250: Acquisition Rehabilitation Resale — Rochester Roots will utilize funding to support the Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resale of 8 vacant properties within JOSANA Neighborhood of the City of Rochester benefiting first-time homebuyers making under 60% AMI. The program will build upon previous phases of an existing neighborhood development plan, but will be the first phase to focus on owner-occupied units rather than affordable rental units.

CDS Monarch, Northfield - \$600,000: Affordable Rental Housing Development — Multifamily CDS will utilize funding to acquire, rehabilitate and lease-up The Northfield in Fairport. The Northfield consists of 69 supportive housing units and is currently managed by Family Services of Rochester. Through this funding, Monarch CDS will preserve 69 supportive housing units, benefiting seniors making under 60% and 50% AMI.

Rural Housing Opportunities Corporation (RHOC) – Home Repair Program - \$250,000: RHOC will utilize funding to assist 8 income-qualified homeowners in making necessary home repairs throughout Monroe County. RHOC, a subsidiary of PathStone, will utilize the structure of their Home Improvement Program, which has operated in Monroe County for more than 30 years.

The Housing Council at PathStone – Homeownership Assistance Program - \$664,414 Housing Council will utilize funding to assist 13 income-qualified, first-time homebuyers with direct down payment assistance and housing counseling services throughout Monroe County. The Housing Council will utilize its existing Homebuyer program as the structure for this assistance.



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Additional Material on File in the Clerk's Office

Subject: 2025-2029 Five Year Strategic Plan and 2025 Annual Action Plan for Housing and Community Development in Suburban Monroe County and Grant Submission to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Honorable Legislators:

I recommend that Your Honorable Body approve Monroe County's 2025-2029 Five Year Strategic Plan and 2025 Annual Action Plan for Housing and Community Development in Suburban Monroe County and Grant Submission to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD") for the Community Development Block Grant ("CDBG"), Home Investment Partnerships Program ("HOME"), and Emergency Solutions Grants ("ESG") programs.

Approval of this submission by HUD will provide the County with funding in the amount of \$3,034,996 for the period of August 1, 2025 to July 31, 2026. This represents the combined total of funds for the CDBG Program in the amount of \$1,755,420; the HOME Program in the amount of \$1,118,591; and the ESG Program in the amount of \$160,985. This year's allocations represent a \$24,605 decrease in funding received from HUD last year. This is the 50th year the County will receive this funding.

The CDBG, HOME and ESG programs have been designed to carry out neighborhood projects, Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) improvements to public facilities, community services, economic development activities, housing activities, and homeless services. Pursuant to HUD regulations, these programs must principally benefit low to moderate-income persons, the elderly, and persons with special needs who live in the towns and villages that participate in the Monroe County Community Development Consortium.

Members of the Consortium and community services agencies apply to the County to receive grants for projects, which are listed in the 2025 Annual Action Plan.

- 1. Authorize the County Executive, or his designee, to submit the 2025-2029 Five Year Strategic Plan and 2025 Annual Action Plan for Housing and Community Development in Suburban Monroe County and Grant Submission to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for the Community Development Block Grant, Home Investment Partnerships Program, and Emergency Solutions Grants programs.
- 2. Authorize the County Executive, or his designee, to accept the grant funds in the amount of \$3,034,996 or such other amount as determined by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), subject to HUD approval of the submission.

- 3. Appropriate the sum of \$3,034,996 for grant funds, or such other amount as determined by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), and the sum of \$372,053, which is the estimated Program Income expected to be generated during the program year, into fund 9005; funds center 1501010000, Community Development Grants, contingent on HUD approval.
- 4. Authorize the County Executive, or his designee, to execute all contracts, including intermunicipal agreements, and any amendments thereto, that are necessary to carry out the administration of the Community Development Block Grant, Home Investment Partnerships Program and Emergency Solutions Grants programs.
- 5. Authorize the County Executive, or his designee, to execute all agreements, debt instruments, and other documents for each loan, grant, relending project or activity which may be approved under the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Section 108 Loan Guarantee Assistance program, pursuant to Section 168.00 of the Local Finance Law, and to accept, receive and reappropriate funds which are borrowed from HUD or any other party, and relend the same to qualified borrowers.
- 6. Authorize the County Executive, or his designee, to approve the use of contingency funds or funds reprogrammed from current or prior years pursuant to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development regulations.
- 7. Authorize the County Executive, or his designee, to accept, receive and appropriate or reappropriate any funds which accrue to the Community Development Office in the form of program income for use in connection with programs offered or funded by the Community Development Office, which administers the grants. All such income shall be utilized in accordance with the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development regulations governing the use of program income.
- 8. Authorize the County Executive to appropriate any subsequent years of the grant award in accordance with the grant terms, to reappropriate any unencumbered balances during the grant period according to the grantor requirements, to make any necessary funding modifications within the grant guidelines to meet contractual commitments, and to enter into any amendments to extend the time period of the grant.
- 9. Should funding of this program be modified or terminated for any reason, the County Executive is hereby authorized to terminate or modify such program and, where applicable, to terminate or abolish some or all positions funded under such program. Any termination or abolishment of positions shall be in accordance with New York State Civil Service Law, and when applicable, the terms of any labor agreement affecting such positions.

The legislative action requested in connection with the 2025-2029 Five Year Strategic Plan is not an "Action," as that term is defined in 6 NYCRR § 617.2(b), and is not subject to review under the State Environmental Quality Review Act. The 2025 Annual Action Plan includes Type II actions pursuant to 6 NYCRR § 617.5(c)(1) ("maintenance or repair involving no substantial changes in an existing structure or facility"); (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"); (5) ("repaving of existing highways not involving the addition of new travel lanes"); (6) "(street openings and right-of-way openings for the purpose of repair or maintenance of existing utility facilities"); (13) ("extension of utility distribution facilities, including gas, electric, telephone, cable, water and sewer connections to render service in approved subdivisions or in connection with any action on this list"); (26) ("routine or continuing agency administration and management, not including new programs or major reordering of priorities that may affect the environment); and (31) ("purchase or sale of furnishings, equipment or supplies, including surplus government property, other than the following: land, radioactive material, pesticides, herbicides, or other hazardous materials") that are not subject to further review under the State Environmental Quality Review Act.

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Monroe County will serve as Lead Agency for the following five (5) actions, titled: Town of Brighton's Crittenden Road Sidewalk project, Balinsky Gardens, Midvale Commons, First Time Home Buyers Program, Rochester Housing Development Fund Corporation and the Acquisition Rehab and Resale Program, which have all been preliminarily classified as Unlisted Actions. The provisions of the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act shall be complied with prior to Your Honorable Body undertaking, funding, or approving these projects.

This grant is funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. 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.

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Monroe County Executive

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PLAN & EC DEV TRANSPORTATION WAYS & MFANS

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

Subject:

Acceptance of a Safe Streets and Roads for All Grant from the United States Department of Transportation's Federal Highway Administration for the Monroe County Active

Transportation Safety Project

Honorable Legislators:

I recommend that Your Honorable Body accept a Safe Streets and Roads for All grant from the United States Department of Transportation's Federal Highway Administration in the amount of \$955,476 for the Monroe County Active Transportation Safety Project for the period of August 1, 2025 through December 31, 2027.

The awarded grant is a collaborative effort among the county departments of Transportation, Public Safety, and Planning and Development. The grant will be used to conduct supplemental planning and demonstration activities to identify and mitigate hazardous conditions at intersections and address safety concerns in high-risk corridors. The objective of this project is to optimize safety measures to protect pedestrians, cyclists, and other vulnerable road users. The supplemental planning activities will include active transportation road safety audits and school zone safety audits, and the demonstration activities will include an adaptive signal control system, near-misses camera technology to enhance pedestrian crossing safety, and safety education campaigns. This grant provides 80% reimbursement for eligible expenses in support of the project. This is the first year the County has received this grant.

- 1. Authorize the County Executive, or his designee, to accept a Safe Streets and Roads for All Grant in the amount of \$955,476 from, and to execute a contract and any amendments thereto with, the United States Department of Transportation's Federal Highway Administration for the Monroe County Active Transportation Safety Project for the period of August 1, 2025 through December 31, 2027.
- 2. Amend the 2025 operating budget of the Department of Planning and Development by appropriating the sum of \$955,476 into general fund 9300, funds center 1401010000, Planning Services.

- 3. Authorize the County Executive to appropriate any subsequent years of the grant award in accordance with the grant terms, to reappropriate any unencumbered balances during the grant period according to the grantor requirements, to make any necessary funding modifications within the grant guidelines to meet contractual commitments, and to enter into any amendments to extend the time period of the grant.
- 4. Should funding of this program be modified or terminated for any reason, the County Executive is hereby authorized to terminate or modify the program and, where applicable, to terminate or abolish some or all positions funded under such program. Any termination or abolishment of positions shall be in accordance with New York State Civil Service Law and, when applicable, the terms of any labor agreement affecting such positions.

This action is a Type II Action pursuant to 6 NYCRR § 617.5(c)(24) ("information collection including basic data collection and research, water quality and pollution studies, traffic counts, engineering studies, surveys, subsurface investigations and soils studies that do not commit the agency to undertake, fund or approve any Type I or Unlisted action") and (27) ("conducting concurrent environmental, engineering, economic, feasibility and other studies and preliminary planning and budgetary processes necessary to the formulation of a proposal for action, provided those activities do not commit the agency to commence, engage in or approve such action") and is not subject to further review under the State Environmental Quality Review Act.

This project is 80% funded by the United States Department of Transportation's Federal Highway Administration and a 20% in-kind match provided through staff time from the departments of Planning and Development, Public Safety, and Transportation. 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.

Adam J. Bello

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Monroe County Executive