

*Monroe County*  
*Clerk of the Legislature*

**David Grant**  
**Clerk**



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**2<sup>nd</sup> Assistant Dep. Clerk**

MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Legislators, Directors, Staff and Media  
**FROM:** David Grant, Clerk of the Legislature  
**DATE:** February 23, 2026  
**RE:** Matters of Importance – File Nos. 26-0060 – 26-0069

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**Matters of Importance:**

- 26-0060 - **Accept Additional Funding from the New York State Office of Mental Health and the New York State Office of Addiction Services and Supports; Amend Resolution 424 of 2025 Authorizing Contracts for the Provision of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services in 2026 for the Monroe County Office of Mental Health** – As a Matter of Importance – County Executive Adam J. Bello
- 26-0061 - **Authorize an Intermunicipal Agreement with the City of Rochester to Accept Pass Through Funding from the United States Department of Justice for the 2023 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program** – As a Matter of Importance – County Executive Adam J. Bello
- 26-0062 - **Authorize an Intermunicipal Agreement with the City of Rochester to Accept Pass Through Funding from the United States Department of Justice for the 2024 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program** – As a Matter of Importance – County Executive Adam J. Bello
- 26-0063 - **Authorize an Intermunicipal Agreement with the City of Rochester for Traffic Control Services at ESL Ballpark** – As a Matter of Importance – County Executive Adam J. Bello
- 26-0064 - **Confirmation of the Reappointment of the Assigned Counsel Administrator** – As a Matter of Importance – County Executive Adam J. Bello
- 26-0065 - **Elect to Reopen Sections 552 & 553 of the Retirement and Social Security Law, Pursuant to Chapter 521 of the Laws of New York of 2025, to Offer Captain Christopher R. Fay of the Monroe County Sheriff's Office Road Patrol an Optional Twenty-Year Retirement Plan** – As a Matter of Importance – County Executive Adam J. Bello

- 26-0066 - Elect to Reopen Sections 552 & 553 of the Retirement and Social Security Law, Pursuant to Chapter 520 of the Laws of New York of 2025, to Offer Deputy Duane A. Palma of the Monroe County Sheriff's Office Road Patrol an Optional Twenty-Year Retirement Plan – As a Matter of Importance – County Executive Adam J. Bello
- 26-0067 - Elect to Reopen Sections 552 & 553 of the Retirement and Social Security Law, Pursuant to Chapter 519 of the Laws of New York of 2025, to Offer Deputy Gregory M. Prokop of the Monroe County Sheriff's Office Road Patrol an Optional Twenty-Year Retirement Plan – As a Matter of Importance – County Executive Adam J. Bello
- 26-0068 - Elect to Reopen Sections 552 & 553 of the Retirement and Social Security Law, Pursuant to Chapter 522 of the Laws of New York of 2025, to Offer Sergeant Carl J. Zimmerman of the Monroe County Sheriff's Office Road Patrol an Optional Twenty-Year Retirement Plan – As a Matter of Importance – County Executive Adam J. Bello
- 26-0069 - Amend the 2026 Capital Budget to Increase Funding for the ERP System Replacement Project and Authorize Financing – As a Matter of Importance – County Executive Adam J. Bello

These referrals were not made to committee at the preceding meeting of the Legislature on February 10, 2026, but have been determined by Yversha Román, President of the Legislature, to be of sufficient importance to warrant referral between Legislative meetings, pursuant to Section 545-24 (C) of the Rules of the Monroe County Legislature.

Attachments



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Monroe County, New York

**Adam J. Bello**  
County Executive

February 23, 2026

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

Additional Material on File  
in the Clerk's Office

**Subject:** Accept Additional Funding from the New York State Office of Mental Health and the New York State Office of Addiction Services and Supports; Amend Resolution 424 of 2025 Authorizing Contracts for the Provision of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services in 2026 for the Monroe County Office of Mental Health

Honorable Legislators:

I recommend that Your Honorable Body accept additional funding from the New York State Office of Mental Health ("NYS OMH") and the New York State Office of Addiction Services and Supports ("NYS OASAS") in the amount of \$2,566,864; and amend Resolution 424 of 2025 to increase the contracts with the agencies listed in Attachment A from an aggregate amount not to exceed \$52,242,013 to an aggregate amount not to exceed \$54,808,877 for the provision of mental health, developmental disability, and alcoholism and substance abuse services for Monroe County residents for the period of January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026.

This additional funding, in the amount of \$2,566,864 will be used as designated by the New York State Office of Mental Health and the New York State Office of Addiction Services and Supports for outpatient treatment programs, vocational programs, and other NYS OMH and NYS OASAS authorized programs. These service amendments are set forth in Attachment A.

Please refer to the attached Purchase of Services Information Form for disclosure of information required pursuant to Resolution 223 of 2007, as amended by Resolution 11 of 2008.

**The specific legislative action required are:**

1. Authorize the County Executive, or his designee, to execute a contract and any amendments thereto, to accept funding in the amount of \$2,566,864 from the New York State Office of Mental Health and the New York State Office of Addiction Services and Supports for the period of January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2026.
2. Amend the 2026 operating budget of the Department of Human Services, Office of Mental Health, by appropriating the sums of \$627,754 into general fund 9001, funds center 5702010000 Mental Health Services, \$1,019,110 into general fund 9001, funds center 5702030000, Alcohol and Other Substance Abuse Services and \$920,000 into general fund 9001, funds center 5704010000, Opioid and Addiction Services.

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3. Amend Resolution 424 of 2025 to authorize the County Executive, or his designee, to execute contracts, and any amendments thereto, with the agencies listed in Attachment A and any other agencies as necessary to provide mental health, developmental disability, and alcoholism and substance abuse services for Monroe County residents from an amount not to exceed \$52,242,013 to an amount not to exceed \$54,808,877 for the period of January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026.
4. Authorize the County Executive to appropriate any subsequent years of these funds 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.
5. 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 the 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)(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.

This grant is 100% funded by the New York State Office of Mental Health and the New York State Office of Addiction Services and Supports. 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

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# Office of the County Executive

Monroe County, New York

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

February 23, 2026

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

**Subject:** Authorize an Intermunicipal Agreement with the City of Rochester to Accept Pass Through Funding from the United States Department of Justice for the 2023 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program

Honorable Legislators:

I recommend that Your Honorable Body authorize an intermunicipal agreement with the City of Rochester to accept pass through funding from the United States Department of Justice in the amount of \$16,390 for the 2023 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program for the period of October 1, 2022 through September 30, 2026.

This grant will be used to continue partial funding of the salary of one (1) Probation Officer who provides increased supervision to high-risk probationers with gang associations and a history of violence through Operation Nightwatch. Reduced caseloads allow officers to invest more time in these cases, establish rapport with probationers and their families, and work with probationers to eliminate risk factors associated with recidivism. This is the twenty-fifth year that Monroe County has received funding for this program. This funding represents an increase of \$241 from the previous year.

**The specific legislative actions required are:**

1. Authorize the County Executive, or his designee, to execute an intermunicipal agreement, and any amendments thereto, with the City of Rochester to accept pass through funding from the United States Department of Justice in the amount of \$16,390 for the 2023 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program for the period of October 1, 2022 through September 30, 2026.
2. Amend the 2026 operating budget of the Department of Public Safety, Office of Probation and Community Corrections by appropriating the sum of \$16,390 into general fund 9001, funds center 2403040000, General Supervision.

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, and 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 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.

This grant is 100% funded by the United States Department of Justice. 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

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Adam J. Bello  
County Executive

February 23, 2026

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

**Subject:** Authorize an Intermunicipal Agreement with the City of Rochester to Accept Pass Through Funding from the United States Department of Justice for the 2024 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program

Honorable Legislators:

I recommend that Your Honorable Body authorize an intermunicipal agreement with the City of Rochester to accept pass through funding from the United States Department of Justice in the amount of \$12,450 for the 2024 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program for the period of October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2027.

This grant will be used to continue partial funding of the salary of one (1) Probation Officer who provides increased supervision to high-risk probationers with gang associations and a history of violence through Operation Nightwatch. Reduced caseloads allow officers to invest more time in these cases, establish rapport with probationers and their families, and work with probationers to eliminate risk factors associated with recidivism. This is the twenty-sixth year that Monroe County has received funding for this program. This funding represents a decrease of \$3,940 from the previous year.

**The specific legislative actions required are:**

1. Authorize the County Executive, or his designee, to execute an intermunicipal agreement, and any amendments thereto, with the City of Rochester to accept pass through funding from the United States Department of Justice in the amount of \$12,450 for the 2024 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program for the period of October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2027.
2. Amend the 2026 operating budget of the Department of Public Safety, Office of Probation and Community Corrections by appropriating the sum of \$12,450 into general fund 9001, funds center 2403040000, General Supervision.

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, and 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 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.

This grant is 100% funded by the United States Department of Justice. 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

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February 23, 2026

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

Subject: Authorize an Intermunicipal Agreement with the City of Rochester for Traffic Control Services at ESL Ballpark

Honorable Legislators:

I recommend that Your Honorable Body authorize an intermunicipal agreement with the City of Rochester for the Rochester Police Department to provide traffic control services for regular and post-season Red Wings baseball games at ESL Ballpark during the 2026 season at the rate of \$120 per hour for each Police Officer, in an amount not to exceed \$235,000 for the period of March 31, 2026 through October 1, 2026.

The specific legislative action required is to authorize the County Executive, or his designee, to execute an intermunicipal agreement, and any amendments thereto, with the City of Rochester for the Rochester Police Department to provide traffic control services for regular and post-season games at ESL Ballpark during the 2026 baseball season at a rate of \$120 per hour for each Police Officer, in an amount not to exceed \$235,000 for the period of March 31, 2026 through October 1, 2026.

This referral 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 Review Act.

Funding for this agreement is included in the 2026 operating budget of the Department of Finance-Unallocated, general fund 9001, funds center 1209060600, Baseball Stadium. 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,
Adam J. Bello
Monroe County Executive



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County Executive

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February 23, 2026

To The Honorable  
Monroe County Legislature  
407 County Office Building  
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Subject: Confirmation of the Reappointment of the Assigned Counsel Administrator

Honorable Legislators:

I recommend that Your Honorable Body confirm the reappointment of Mark Funk as Assigned Counsel Administrator, pursuant to the Monroe County/Monroe County Bar Association Plan Regarding the Conflict Defender's Office and Assigned Counsel Program.

A copy of Mr. Funk's resume is enclosed.

**The specific legislative action required is to confirm the reappointment of Mark Funk as Assigned Counsel Administrator, pursuant to the Monroe County/Monroe County Bar Association Plan Regarding the Conflict Defender's Office and Assigned Counsel Program.**

The legislative action requested in this referral is not an "Action," as that term is defined in 6 NYCRR § 617.2 (b), and is not subject to review under the State Environment Quality Review Act.

This confirmation will have no impact on the revenues or expenditures 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

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# Mark D. Funk

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## EMPLOYMENT

### **MONROE COUNTY ASSIGNED COUNSEL PROGRAM**

*\*Monroe County Assigned Counsel Administrator; October 31, 2016 – Present*

*\*Manage the Monroe County Assigned Counsel Program-supervised the assignment of thousands of cases (approximately 3,600 assignments in 2025) annually to approximately 150 panel attorneys.*

### **MONROE COUNTY CONFLICT DEFENDER'S OFFICE**

*\*Monroe County Conflict Defender; October 31, 2016 – July 2023*

*\*Supervisor of a staff of 36 including 21 Attorneys who handle misdemeanor criminal cases, parental representation cases in Family Court, and appeals for indigent clients (office handled approximately 3,500 cases in last full year of 2022).*

### **LAW OFFICE OF MARK D. FUNK**

*\*Private Practice of Law; January 2001 – October 2016.*

*\*Criminal Defense, Family Court and Appellate Practice.*

## Awards and Accolades

### **Rochester Business Journal/Daily Record, Power Law List, 2021-23 and 2025:**

*\*A list of local leaders in the legal profession who make sure that the legal needs of Monroe County's residents are met and are working to push the Rochester legal community forward.*

### **Monroe County Bar Association, President's Award for Professionalism, 2023:**

*\*Awarded by Monroe County Bar Association President Langston D. McFadden; awarded to an attorney who exemplifies and demonstrates a commitment to the concepts of professionalism, civility and collegiality.*

### **2021 Daily Record/Rochester Business Journal, Legal Excellence-Leaders in Law Award:**

*\*Recognizing legal professionals who demonstrate professional accomplishment, exceptional character, integrity and ethics, and commitment to clients and community who make our community stronger through both their professional accomplishments and their civic contributions.*

## **EDUCATION**

### **UNIVERSITY OF DAYTON SCHOOL OF LAW**

\*Class of 1995 Rank: Top 18% (24 of 133).

### **STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK COLLEGE AT OSWEGO**

\**Magna Cum Laude* graduate, 1992.

\*B.S. in Secondary Education-Social Studies

## **CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION**

\*Speaker at numerous Continuing Legal Education Programs on various topics, including criminal law and Family Court related topics.

\*Attendee at numerous Continuing Legal Education Programs on criminal law and Family Court related topics.

## **COMMUNITY and PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATION INVOLVEMENT**

\**Monroe County Bar Association*

-President and Chair of the Board, 2025-26

\**Chief Defender's Association of New York*

-President, 2022-2023

\**Racial and Structural Equity (RASE) Commission*

-Co-Facilitator, Criminal Justice and Policing CART, 2025-Present

## **VOLUNTEER**

**COACH/JUDGE**; MCBA/NYSBA Mock Trial Competition, 1996-present

**MENTOR**, Rochester City School District, School #28, present



# Office of the County Executive

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February 23, 2026

To The Honorable  
Monroe County Legislature  
407 County Office Building  
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Subject: Elect to Reopen Sections 552 & 553 of the Retirement and Social Security Law, Pursuant to Chapter 521 of the Laws of New York of 2025, to Offer Captain Christopher R. Fay of the Monroe County Sheriff's Office Road Patrol an Optional Twenty-Year Retirement Plan

Honorable Legislators:

This matter is being referred to Your Honorable Body at the request of Sheriff Todd K. Baxter.

I recommend that Your Honorable Body elect to reopen Sections 552 & 553 of the Retirement and Social Security Law, pursuant to Chapter 521 of the Laws of New York of 2025, to offer an optional twenty-year retirement plan to Captain Christopher R. Fay of the Monroe County Sheriff's Office Road Patrol.

Captain Fay was hired to work in the Monroe County Jail Bureau on August 26, 1991. On May 25, 1998, he was transferred to the Monroe County Sheriff's Office Road Patrol Division. His pension membership should have been transferred to the 20-year retirement plan provided in sections 552 and 553 of the Retirement and Social Security Law. For reasons not ascribable to his own negligence, his pension plan membership was not transferred from the Jail Bureau retirement plan to the 20-year Road Patrol Division plan.

In April 2025, through Resolutions 126 and 127 of 2025, this Honorable Body adopted a Home Rule Message requesting the passage of legislation to authorize the County of Monroe to offer an optional twentyyear retirement plan to Captain Christopher R. Fay. The legislation was subsequently passed and signed into law by the Governor on November 21, 2025 as Chapter 521 of the Laws of New York. The County may now elect to offer Captain Fay the aforementioned plan.

**The specific legislative actions required are:**

1. Elect to reopen Sections 552 & 553 of the Retirement and Social Security Law, pursuant to Chapter 521 of the Laws of 2025.
2. Authorize the County Executive and Chief Financial Officer, or their designees, to execute any documents necessary to effectuate the election.

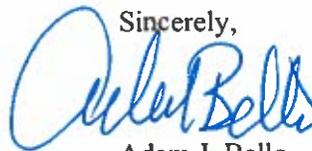
3. Certify that Captain Christopher R. Fay's previous failure to timely elect to participate in Sections 552 & 553 of the Retirement and Social Security Law was not ascribable to his own negligence.

This 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 action is included in the 2026 operating budget of the Sheriff's Office, general fund 9001, funds center 3803030000, Road Patrol Zone B, and will be requested in future years' budgets. No additional net County support is required in the current Monroe County budget. This election, according to the fiscal note prepared by the Office of the State Comptroller, would increase the County's annual contribution to the pension system by approximately \$14,000 for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2026. In future years, this cost will vary as the billing rates and salary of Christopher R. Fay change. In addition to the annual contributions discussed above, there would be an immediate past service cost of approximately \$153,000, which will be borne by the County as a one-time payment. This estimate assumes that payment will be made on February 1, 2026. If the County elects to amortize this cost over a five-year period, the cost for each year including interest would be \$34,200.

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



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Monroe County, New York

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County Executive

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February 23, 2026

To The Honorable  
Monroe County Legislature  
407 County Office Building  
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**Subject:** Elect to Reopen Sections 552 & 553 of the Retirement and Social Security Law, Pursuant to Chapter 520 of the Laws of New York of 2025, to Offer Deputy Duane A. Palma of the Monroe County Sheriff's Office Road Patrol an Optional Twenty-Year Retirement Plan

Honorable Legislators:

This matter is being referred to Your Honorable Body at the request of Sheriff Todd K. Baxter.

I recommend that Your Honorable Body elect to reopen Sections 552 & 553 of the Retirement and Social Security Law, pursuant to Chapter 520 of the Laws of New York of 2025, to offer an optional twenty-year retirement plan to Deputy Duane A. Palma of the Monroe County Sheriff's Office Road Patrol.

Deputy Palma is currently employed as a Road Patrol Deputy in the Monroe County Sheriff's Office. He began his career on February 22, 1999 in the Monroe County Jail. He has over twenty years of law enforcement experience, serving in multiple police agencies, including the Jail Bureau. Other members of his employment tier have successfully applied credit in the Jail Bureau plan towards the 20-year Road Patrol Division retirement plan. Deputy Palma anticipated that he would receive the same treatment. For reasons not ascribable to his own negligence, Deputy Palma was denied credit time for his service.

In April 2025, through Resolutions 128 and 129 of 2025, this Honorable Body adopted a Home Rule Message requesting the passage of legislation to authorize the granting of retirement service credit in the optional twenty-year retirement plan to Deputy Duane A. Palma for service as a correction officer. The legislation was subsequently passed and signed into law by the Governor on November 21, 2025 as Chapter 520 of the Laws of New York. The County may now elect to offer Deputy Palma the aforementioned plan.

**The specific legislative actions required are:**

1. Elect to reopen Sections 552 & 553 of the Retirement and Social Security Law, pursuant to Chapter 520 of the Laws of 2025.
2. Authorize the County Executive and Chief Financial Officer, or their designees, to execute any documents necessary to effectuate the election.

3. Certify that Deputy Duane A. Palma's previous failure to timely elect to participate in Sections 552 & 553 of the Retirement and Social Security Law was not ascribable to his own negligence.

This 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 action is included in the 2026 operating budget of the Sheriff's Office, general fund 9001, funds center 3803050100, Crime Investigation, and will be requested in future years' budgets. No additional net County support is required in the current Monroe County budget. This election will not increase the County's future annual contribution to the pension system according to the fiscal note prepared by the Office of the State Comptroller. There will be an immediate past service cost of approximately \$160,000, which would be borne by the County as a one-time payment. This estimate assumes that payment will be made on February 1, 2026. If the County elects to amortize this cost over a five-year period, the cost for each year including interest would be \$35,900.

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



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Adam J. Bello  
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February 23, 2026

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

**Subject:** Elect to Reopen Sections 552 & 553 of the Retirement and Social Security Law, Pursuant to Chapter 519 of the Laws of New York of 2025, to Offer Deputy Gregory M. Prokop of the Monroe County Sheriff's Office Road Patrol an Optional Twenty-Year Retirement Plan

Honorable Legislators:

This matter is being referred to Your Honorable Body at the request of Sheriff Todd K. Baxter.

I recommend that Your Honorable Body elect to reopen Sections 552 & 553 of the Retirement and Social Security Law, pursuant to Chapter 519 of the Laws of New York of 2025, to offer an optional twenty-year retirement plan to Deputy Gregory M. Prokop of the Monroe County Sheriff's Office Road Patrol.

Deputy Prokop was hired to work in Monroe County as a part-time road patrol deputy on October 7, 1991. In April 1996, Monroe County adopted the 20-year retirement plan provided in sections 552 and 553 of the Retirement and Social Security Law for the Road Patrol Division of the Sheriff's Office. In February 2000, Deputy Prokop became a full-time road patrol deputy. The New York State Retirement System informed him he had one year from the adoption of the retirement plan in 1996 to become a member of the 20-year plan. He was not aware, nor does he recall of being informed of this requirement. Thus, Deputy Prokop did not bar himself as a result of his own negligence from participation in the optional twenty-year retirement Road Patrol Division plan.

In April 2025, through Resolutions 130 and 131 of 2025, this Honorable Body adopted a Home Rule Message requesting the passage of legislation to authorize the County of Monroe to offer an optional twenty-year retirement plan to Deputy Gregory M. Prokop. The legislation was subsequently passed and signed into law by the Governor on November 21, 2025 as Chapter 519 of the Laws of New York. The County may now elect to offer Deputy Prokop the aforementioned plan.

**The specific legislative actions required are:**

1. Elect to reopen Sections 552 & 553 of the Retirement and Social Security Law, pursuant to Chapter 519 of the Laws of 2025.
2. Authorize the County Executive and Chief Financial Officer, or their designees, to execute any documents necessary to effectuate the election.

3. Certify that Deputy Gregory M. Prokop's previous failure to timely elect to participate in Sections 552 & 553 of the Retirement and Social Security Law was not ascribable to his own negligence.

This 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 action is included in the 2026 operating budget of the Sheriff's Office, general fund 9001, funds center 3803050100, Crime Investigation, and will be requested in future years' budgets. No additional net County support is required in the current Monroe County budget. This election, according to the fiscal note prepared by the Office of the State Comptroller, would increase the County's annual contribution to the pension system by approximately \$13,000 for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2026. In future years, this cost will vary as the billing rates and salary of Deputy Prokop change. In addition to the annual contributions discussed above, there would be an immediate past service cost of approximately \$141,000, which will be borne by the County as a one-time payment. This estimate assumes that payment will be made on February 1, 2026. If the County elects to amortize this cost over a five-year period, the cost for each year including interest would be \$31,600.

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



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Monroe County, New York

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February 23, 2026

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

**Subject:** Elect to Reopen Sections 552 & 553 of the Retirement and Social Security Law, Pursuant to Chapter 522 of the Laws of New York of 2025, to Offer Sergeant Carl J. Zimmerman of the Monroe County Sheriff's Office Road Patrol an Optional Twenty-Year Retirement Plan

Honorable Legislators:

This matter is being referred to Your Honorable Body at the request of Sheriff Todd K. Baxter.

I recommend that Your Honorable Body elect to reopen Sections 552 & 553 of the Retirement and Social Security Law, pursuant to Chapter 522 of the Laws of New York of 2025, to offer an optional twenty-year retirement plan to Sergeant Carl J. Zimmerman of the Monroe County Sheriff's Office Road Patrol.

Sergeant Carl J. Zimmerman began work in the Jail Bureau of the Monroe County Sheriff's Office on October 29, 1990. He transferred to the Road Patrol Division on May 25, 1998. His pension membership should have been transferred to the 20-year retirement plan authorized by Sections 552 and 553 of Article 14-B of the Retirement and Social Security Law. For reasons unrelated to any negligence on his part, the retirement plan transfer from the Jail Bureau retirement plan to the authorized Road Patrol Division retirement plan did not occur. It was not until much later that he discovered that he was still in the Jail Bureau retirement plan.

In April 2025, through Resolutions 132 and 133 of 2025, this Honorable Body adopted a Home Rule Message requesting the passage of legislation to authorize the County of Monroe to offer an optional twenty-year retirement plan to Sergeant Carl J. Zimmerman. The legislation was subsequently passed and signed into law by the Governor on November 21, 2025 as Chapter 522 of the Laws of New York. The County may now elect to offer Sergeant Zimmerman the aforementioned plan.

**The specific legislative actions required are:**

1. Elect to reopen Sections 552 & 553 of the Retirement and Social Security Law, pursuant to Chapter 522 of the Laws of 2025.
2. Authorize the County Executive and Chief Financial Officer, or their designees, to execute any documents necessary to effectuate the election.

3. Certify that Sergeant Carl J. Zimmerman's previous failure to timely elect to participate in Sections 552 & 553 of the Retirement and Social Security Law was not ascribable to his own negligence.

This 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 action is included in the 2026 operating budget of the Sheriff's Office, general fund 9001, funds center 3803050100, Crime Investigation, and will be requested in future years' budgets. No additional net County support is required in the current Monroe County budget. This election, according to the fiscal note prepared by the Office of the State Comptroller, would increase the County's annual contribution to the pension system by approximately \$13,000 for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2026. In future years, this cost will vary as the billing rates and salary of Carl J. Zimmerman change. In addition to the annual contributions discussed above, there would be an immediate past service cost of approximately \$120,000, which will be borne by the County as a one-time payment. This estimate assumes that payment will be made on February 1, 2026. If the County elects to amortize this cost over a five-year period, the cost for each year including interest would be \$26,800.

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

Sincerely,  


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Monroe County, New York

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February 23, 2026

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

Subject: Amend the 2026 Capital Budget to Increase Funding for the ERP System Replacement Project and Authorize Financing

Honorable Legislators:

I recommend that Your Honorable Body amend the 2026 capital budget to increase funding for the ERP System Replacement project in the amount of \$3,500,000, for a total authorization of \$16,750,000, and authorize financing for the project.

The request to increase funding for this project is two-fold. First and foremost, our previous extension to the implementation timeline that allowed for additional payroll and benefits testing has identified necessary improvements related to multiple third-party data integrations. Second, but equally important, we are seeking to expand the scope of the project to allow for a greater array of historical financial and operational transactional data to be converted and imported into Workday. Such historical data includes detailed financial, personnel, purchasing, and work order transactions, the availability of which will allow for more accurate financial reporting, civil service and retirement reporting, and improved asset management.

To date the ERP System Replacement project has been cash-funded, but for this expansion of scope we are seeking authorization for bond financing.

Earlier this month, by Resolution 79 of 2026, this Honorable Body approved an amendment to the 2026–2031 Capital Improvement Program expanding the scope of and increasing funding for the ERP System Replacement project, together with an increase in associated contracts. A concurrent bond resolution was prepared, but not voted upon, due to an administrative oversight.

**The specific legislative actions required are:**

1. Amend the 2026 capital budget to increase funding for the ERP System Replacement project by \$3,500,000, for a total project authorization of \$16,750,000.
2. Authorize financing for the ERP System Replacement project in the amount of \$3,500,000.

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 included in capital fund 2078 once the requested financing is approved, 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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