MEMORANDUM

TO: Legislators, Directors, Staff and Media
FROM: Cheryl M. Rozzi, Clerk of the Legislature
DATE: September 12, 2013
RE: Matters of Importance – File Nos. 13-0273 -13-0274

13-0273 - Amend Resolution Numbers 128 of 2013 Authorize Energy Conservation Improvements at the Monroe County Correctional Facility; 129 of 2013 Authorize Energy Conservation Improvements at the Frank E. VanLare Wastewater Treatment Plant and the Northwest Quadrant Wastewater Treatment Plant; and, 217 of 2013 Authorize Energy Conservation Improvements at the Monroe County Civic Center Complex, to Accept and Appropriate New York Power Authority Financing - As A Matter of Importance – County Executive Maggie Brooks

13-0274 - Amend Resolution 129 of 2013 Energy Conservation Improvements at the Frank E. VanLare Wastewater Treatment Plant and the Northwest Quadrant Wastewater Treatment Plant to Accept and Appropriate New York Power Authority Financing - As A Matter of Importance - Pure Waters Administrative Board

These referrals were not made to committee at the preceding meeting of the Legislature on September 10, 2013 but have been determined by President Jeffrey R. Adair to be of sufficient importance to warrant referral between Legislative meetings, pursuant to Sections 545-24 (C) of the Rules of the Monroe County Legislature.

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

Subject: Amend Resolution Numbers 128 of 2013 Authorize Energy Conservation Improvements at the Monroe County Correctional Facility; 129 of 2013 Authorize Energy Conservation Improvements at the Frank E. VanLare Wastewater Treatment Plant and the Northwest Quadrant Wastewater Treatment Plant; and, 217 of 2013 Authorize Energy Conservation Improvements at the Monroe County Civic Center Complex, to Accept and Appropriate New York Power Authority Financing

Honorable Legislators:

I recommend that Your Honorable Body amend Resolution Numbers 128 of 2013 Authorize Energy Conservation Improvements at the Monroe County Correctional Facility; 129 of 2013 Authorize Energy Conservation Improvements at the Frank E. VanLare Wastewater Treatment Plant and the Northwest Quadrant Wastewater Treatment Plant; and, 217 of 2013 Authorize Energy Conservation Improvements at the Monroe County Civic Center Complex, to accept and appropriate New York Power Authority (NYPA) financing.

Typically, Monroe County has financed energy performance contracts under municipal leases provided by the contractor for the project. Interest rates for projects financed by municipal lease in the past have been approximately 4.00%. While investigating financing for the above-referenced projects, it was determined that NYPA could provide financing at a considerably lower cost, potentially saving approximately $2,900,000 over the total 15-year repayment period. Currently, NYPA is providing a 0.86% annual interest rate. While this is a variable rate that readjusts annually, the annual interest rate offered by NYPA has averaged 1.78% over the past decade.

The specific legislative actions required are:

1. Amend Resolution 128 of 2013 to accept financing from the New York State Power Authority and to amend the 2013 operating budget of the Monroe County Sheriff by appropriating the sum of $1,307,936 into fund 9001, funds center 3804110000, Jail Maintenance.

2. Amend Resolution 129 of 2013 to accept financing from the New York State Power Authority and to amend the 2013 operating budget of the Rochester Pure Waters District by appropriating the sum of $328,967 into fund 9007, funds center 8575020100, Rochester Pure Waters District Maintenance.
3. Amend Resolution 129 of 2013 to accept financing from the New York State Power Authority and to amend the 2013 operating budget of the Northwest Quadrant Pure Waters District by appropriating the sum of $162,028 into fund 9007, funds center 8573030000, Northwest Quadrant Pure Waters District Operations.

4. Amend Resolution 217 of 2013 to accept financing from the New York State Power Authority and to amend the 2013 operating budget of the Department of Environmental Services by appropriating the sum of $13,300,000 into fund 9020, funds center 8620010000, Civic Center Complex.

Environmental assessments were completed for the abovementioned projects, and it was determined that there would be no significant effect on the environment.

Funding for this project, which will be offset by reimbursement from the New York State Energy Research Development Authority and savings from the energy efficiency improvements, will be provided by the New York Power Authority and will be available once the additional financing authorization requested herein is approved. 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,

Maggie Brooks
County Executive
To The Administrative Boards of the
Northwest Quadrant Pure Waters District
Rochester Pure Waters District
407 County Office Building
Rochester, New York 14614

Subject: Amend Resolution 129 of 2013 Authorize Energy Conservation Improvements at the
Frank E. VanLare Wastewater Treatment Plant and the Northwest Quadrant
Wastewater Treatment Plant to Accept and Appropriate New York Power Authority
Financing

Honorable Legislators:

I recommend that the Administrative Boards of the Northwest Quadrant Pure Waters
District and the Rochester Pure Waters District amend Resolution 129 of 2013 Authorize Energy
Conservation Improvements at the Frank E. VanLare Wastewater Treatment Plant and the
Northwest Quadrant Wastewater Treatment Plant to accept and appropriate New York Power
Authority (NYP) financing.

Typically, Monroe County has financed energy performance contracts under municipal
leases provided by the contractor for the project. Interest rates for projects financed by municipal
lease in the past have been approximately 4.00%. While investigating financing for the above-
referenced projects, it was determined that NYP could provide financing at a considerably
lower cost, potentially saving approximately $48,000 over the total 5-year repayment period.
Currently, NYP is providing a 0.86% annual interest rate. While this is a variable rate that
readjusts annually, the annual interest rate offered by NYP has averaged 1.78% over the past
decade.

The specific Administrative Boards actions required are:

1. Amend Resolution 129 of 2013 to accept financing from the New York State
   Power Authority and to amend the 2013 operating budget of the Rochester Pure
   Waters District by appropriating the sum of $328,967 into fund 9007, funds center
   8575020100, Rochester Pure Waters District Maintenance.
2. Amend Resolution 129 of 2013 to accept financing from the New York State Power Authority and to amend the 2013 operating budget of the Northwest Quadrant Pure Waters District by appropriating the sum of $162,028 into fund 9007, funds center 8573030000, Northwest Quadrant Pure Waters District Operations.

Environmental assessments were completed for the abovementioned projects, and it was determined that there would be no significant effect on the environment.

Funding for this project, which will be offset by reimbursement from the New York State Energy Research Development Authority and savings from the energy efficiency improvements, will be provided by the New York Power Authority and will be available once the additional financing authorization requested herein is approved. No additional net County support is required in the current Monroe County budget.

I recommend that this matter receive favorable action by the Pure Waters Administrative Boards of the Northwest Quadrant Pure Waters District and the Rochester Pure Waters District.

Sincerely,

Maggie Brooks
County Executive