The Legislature of Rockland County

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Legislator - District 2

Chair, Budget & Finance Committee
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AGENDA
BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE
TUESDAY, AUGUST 23, 2016
5:30 PM

CONTINUED DISCUSSIONS AND REVIEW OF ACTION ITEMS

ROLL CALL.
ADOPTION OF MINUTES: 08/16/16

1. PRESENTATIONS/DISCUSSIONS:

1A) OTHER DISCUSSION ITEMS TO BE ADDED

REF# 9505 (A) **OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE REGARDING BUSINESS BEFORE THE LEGISLATURE PRIORITY REQUEST-TIME SENSITIVE (HON. MICHAEL GRANT, LEGISLATURE)**

DEFERRED TO B&F MEETING 08/23/2016

1B) **APPROVING SUBMISSION OF THE CONSOLIDATED/ACTION PLAN FOR FY 2016 TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT & APPROVING EXECUTION OF BY CE ALL NECESSARY INSTRUMENTS & DOCUMENTS. (HON. MICHAEL GRANT, LEGISLATURE)**

1C) **REVIEW OF ALL OUTSTANDING ACTIONS**

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Request for Discussion Item & Presentation - Approving Submission of the Consolidated/ Action Plan for FY 2016 to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development & approving execution of by CE all necessary instruments & documents

TL Toole, Laurence Reply |
Thu 5:13 PM
Alvarez, Damaris; Widmer, Mary; Jacqueline Sanders; Grant, Michael; A

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Action Items

Damaris -

In furtherance of the Tuesday, August 2, 2016 meeting of the Full Legislature - please place a Discussion & Presentation Item on our committee calendar addressing the above topic. Please find specifics above and attached that outline the scope of the issue – particularly reference to Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (AFFH) brought up by members of the public during the meeting.

Please proceed to coordinate the review of this Discussion & Presentation Item and request that staff invite officials and others deemed appropriate as determined by the sponsor Chairman Alden Wolfe and Legislator Michael Grant, Chair, Budget & Finance committee. Please note this is a matter associated with the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development and I believe an official from this Department was requested to be invited along with local official(s) from the respective County Department (Community Development/County Executive). Please also invite the individuals that spoke in the Public Participation section of the August 2nd meeting of the Legislature that can be obtained from Mary Widmer or Darcy Greenberg.

Please prepare and direct this matter to an upcoming agenda of the Budget & Finance committee and list Chairman Alden Wolfe and Legislator Michael Grant as the sponsors.

Discussion Item Referral - Official Correspondence regarding Business Before the Legislature PRIORITY REQUEST - TIME SENSITIVE

Toole, Laurence

Fri 8/12/2016 10:06 AM

To:Alvarez, Damaris <AlvarezD@co.rockland.ny.us>; Widmer, Mary <WidmerM@co.rockland.ny.us>; Jacqueline Sanders <SandersJ@co.rockland.ny.us>;

Cc:Grant, Michael <GrantM@co.rockland.ny.us>; Alden Wolfe <esquireaw@aol.com>; Schoenberger, Ilan <SchoenbI@co.rockland.ny.us>; Doliner, Nicole <DolinerN@co.rockland.ny.us>; Yeger, Elana <YegerE@co.rockland.ny.us>;

4 attachments (582 KB)

leg wolfe aug [37560].pdf; Powers Letter Dated August 9th.pdf; 2016 2nd Qtr Variances [37785].pdf; County Executive Letter [37783].pdf;

Mary, Damaris, Jacqui –

Please place a Discussion Item on our committee calendar (Budget & Finance committee 8/16/16) addressing the above topic. Please find specifics below and attached that outline the scope of the issue.

Please expeditiously proceed to coordinate the review of this Discussion Item and request that staff invite officials and others deemed appropriate as determined by the sponsor Legislator Michael Grant, Chair, Budget & Finance committee.

Please prepare and direct this matter to the agenda (addendum) of the Tuesday, August 16, 2016 Budget & Finance committee and list Legislator Michael Grant as the sponsor.

Thank you.

Larry

From: Grant, Michael
Sent: Friday, August 12, 2016 11:03 AM
To: Toole, Laurence <TooleL@co.rockland.ny.us>
Cc: Widmer, Mary <WidmerM@co.rockland.ny.us>; Alvarez, Damaris <AlvarezD@co.rockland.ny.us>; Jacqueline Sanders <SandersJ@co.rockland.ny.us>; Doliner, Nicole <DolinerN@co.rockland.ny.us>; Yeger, Elana <YegerE@co.rockland.ny.us>; Wolfe, Alden <WolfeA@co.rockland.ny.us>
Subject: Discussion Item Referral - Official Correspondence regarding Business Before the Legislature

Larry,

Please prepare a discussion item referral concerning official correspondence regarding business before the legislature.
Please include the attched documents as backup.

Please arrange for it to appear on the next B&F Agenda. Please contact me once the referral has been drafted. I will invite Mr. Humbach (as our attorney) and others to attend and provide advice and guidance on related issues.

Thank you.

Michael

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January 12, 2016

DISCUSSION ITEM ON THE LONG TERM PLAN FOR THE ADULT DAY PROGRAM AT BUILDING A.

COMMITTEE CLERK TO SCHEDULE DISCUSSION ON FUTURE AGENDA. DISCUSSION TO INCLUDE THE TERMS OF FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS, USE OF SPACE AND WHO MADE AGREEMENT (LDC OR CE ADMINISTRATION)

January 26, 2016

12A) REF. #9485 - *DISCUSSION ITEM:* REVIEW OF THE LONG-TERM PLAN FOR THE ADULTDAY CARE PROGRAM AT BUILDING A - (INCLUDING TERMS OF THE FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS/USE OF SPACE/WHO NEGOTIATED AND COMMITTED TO AGREEMENT

ACTION:
ADMINISTRATION IS REQUESTED TO PROVIDE THE LEGISLATURE WITH ANY AND ALL DOCUMENTS RELATED TO THE LEASE WITH FRIEDWALD. DOCUMENTS SHOULD INCLUDE ANY CORRESPONDANCE WITH THE NYS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH REALTED TO THE CLOSURE PLAN FOR THE ADULT DAY CARE CENTER.

12C) REF. #5128 - *DISCUSSION ITEM:* CONSULTANT AGREEMENT(S) BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF ROCKLAND AND ARCH STREET COMMUNICATIONS, WHITE PLAINS, NY AND THE COUNTY OF ROCKLAND AND EVE ADAMS DESIGN, MONTEBELLO, NY (EACH TO ACCEPT A MAXIMUM SUM NOT TO EXCEED $75,000)

ACTIONS:
PURCHASING DIRECTOR REQUESTED TO PROVIDE A LIST OF BIDDERS.

COMMITTEE REQUESTED ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR THE CONTRACT WITH WILSON ELSNER FOR LOBBYING SERIVCES: WHAT WAS THE NATURE OF THE SERVICES? WHAT WERE THE SPECIFIC ISSUES THE FIRM WAS ENGAGED IN? HOW MUCH TIME WAS SPENT?

February 9, 2016

1A) REF. # 9505 - TAX ANTICIPATION NOTE RESOLUTION DATED_____ 2016
RESOLUTION DELEGATING TO THE COUNTY COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE THE POWERS TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF $60,000,000 TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES OF THE COUNTY OF ROCKLAND, NEW YORK, OR SO MUCH THEREOF AS MAY BE NECESSARY, IN ANTICIPATION OF THE COLLECTION OF TAXES LEVIED FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2016, AND TO PRESCRIBE THE TERMS, FORM AND CONTENTS, AND PROVIDE FOR THE SALE AND CREDIT ENHANCEMENT OF SUCH NOTES.

ACTION: COMMITTEE REQUESTS FINANCE COMMISSIONER TO PROVIDE A COPY OF THE LETTER TO THE NYS COMPTROLLER ADVISING OF INTENDED TAN BORROWING. IN ADDITION, THE COMMITTEE WOULD LIKE ANY AND ALL SUBSEQUENT CORRESPONDANCE FROM THE COMPTROLLER.

5P) REF. #7345 - RATIFYING MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF ROCKLAND AND THE CIVIL SERVICE EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION, INC., LOCAL 1000 AMERICAN FEDERATION OF STATE, AFL-CIO ROCKLAND COUNTY

UNIT, ROCKLAND COUNTY LOCAL 844 FOR THE PERIOD FROM JANUARY 1, 2014 THROUGH JULY 31, 2016.

Q) REF. #7577 RATIFYING MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF ROCKLAND AND ROCKLAND ASSOCIATION OF MANAGEMENT (R.A.M.) FOR THE PERIOD FROM JANUARY 1, 2014 THROUGH JULY 31, 2016

ACTION: COMMITTEE REQUESTS FINANCE COMMISSIONER TO PROVIDE COPY OF MEMORANDUM FROM O'CONNOR DAVIES LLP APPROVING THE ACCRUAL OF PAYMENTS MADE IN ACCORDANCE WITH MOAS ATTRIBUTED TO 2015.

12A) REF. #8222/7345 -*DISCUSSION ITEM*: AUDIT OF THE 2012/2013 SALARY DEFERMENT PROGRAM AND REIMBURSEMENT OF SAME OF ALL COUNTY EMPLOYEES AND (ELECTED) OFFICIALS BY THE COUNTY AUDITOR

ACTIONS:
COMMITTEE REQUESTS THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:
1. TOTAL AMOUNT OF 2012 DEFERRED SALARIES.
2. TOTAL AMOUNT OF 2014 DEFERRED PAYMENTS
3. BREAKDOWN OF 2014 DEFERRED SALARY PAYMENTS
WHICH POSITIONS RECEIVED MORE IN 2014 THAN WAS DEFERRED IN 2012
WHAT WAS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE AMOUNT DEFERRED IN 2012 AND DEFERRED PAYMENTS IN 2014 BY POSITION
4. EXPLANATION OF BUDGETARY IMPACT OF INCREASE IN DEFERRED PAYMENTS OVERWHAT WAS DEFERRED IN 2012 AND WHERE DID THE MONEY COME FROM.
5. WRITTEN EXPLANATION FROM MR. ROBERT BERGMAN AS TO WHY HE COULD NOT PERFORM THIS AUDIT

February 23, 2016

REF. #7621 - DISCUSSION: BEST VALUE PROCUREMENT POLICIES AND PROCEDURES. (HON. MICHAEL M. GRANT, LEGISLATURE)

ACTIONS:
WRITTEN OPINION FROM COUNTY ATTORNEY HUMBACH WITH REGARD TO THE CHARTER AUTHORITIES/POWERS VS. POLICY FOR BEST VALUE AWARD THAT WILL INCLUDE THAT ALL BEST VALUE AWARD RESOLUTIONS WILL NEED LEGISLATIVE APPROVAL REGARDLESS OF THE DOLLAR VALUE OF THE CONTRACT.

WRITTEN OPINION FROM COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE WHETHER A PUBLIC HEARING AT A PREVIOUS LEGISLATIVE SESSION SURVIVES THE CHANGE IN MEMBERSHIP OF LEGISLATURE. DO WE NEED TO DO A NEW PUBLIC HEARING?

March 29, 2016

ACTION:
COMMITEE REQUESTED COUNTY ATTORNEY TO PROVIDE A WRITTEN LEGAL OPINION TO SUMMARIZE THE STATUS OF THE BUILDING ONCE THE LEASE WITH THE RCHFC IS TERMINIATED. SUMMARY SHOULD INCLUDE REFERENCES TO ALL TERMS AND CONDITIONS OUTLINED IN RESOLUTIONS 192 AND 663 OF 2014,

AND ALL (IF ANY) POWERS AND AUTHORIZAITONS STILL REMAINING.

5M) REF.# 1021 APPROVING AN AMENDMENT AND EXTENSION TO A LICENSE AGREEMENT IN EXCESS OF $100,000 WITH ALGONQUIN GAS TRANSMISSION, LLC FOR THE USE OF 5.28 ACRES AT SAMUEL G. FISHER MOUNT IVY ENVIRONMENTAL PARK FOR A CONSTRUCTION STORAGE YARD INCREASING THE SUM OF THE LICENSE AGREEMENT BY $64,000 FOR A TOTAL SUM NOT TO EXCEED $128,000 FOR THE PERIOD FROM MAY 1, 2015 THROUGH APRIL 30, 2017

ACTION:
COUNTY ATTORNEY REQUESTED TO PROVIDE WRITTEN LEGAL OPINION AS TO WHETHER OR NOT LICENCING AGREEMENTS REQUIRE LEGISLATIVE APPROVAL. OPINION SHOULD INCLUDE A DESCRIPTION OF THE REQUIREMENTS FOR LEASING AND LICENSING COUNTY PROPERTY AND ASSETS AND THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THEM.

12C) REF.# 5614 DISCUSSION ITEM COUNTY FORECLOSURE INITIATIVE

ACTION:
COMMITTEE REQUESTED FINANCE COMMISSIONER TO PROVIDE A LIST OF THOSE TAX DELINQUENT PROPERTIES FOR WHICH THE COUNTY IS PAYING TAXES AND NOT FORECLOSING ON, GIVING REASONS FOR DECISION NOT TO FORECLOSE.

3PPW) REF# 1319

AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CLERK TO THE LEGISLATURE TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS – FOR A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR THE PIERMONT PAPER MILL REMEDIAL ACTION PROJECT IN THE VILLAGE OF PIERMONT UNDER CAPITAL PROJECT NO. 1471

ACTIONS:

ADMINISTRATION IS REQUESTED TO PROVIDE EXPLANATION AS TO WHETHER OR NOT THIS IS COUNTY OWNED PROPERTY AND IF SO, HOW WAS PROPERTY ACQUIRED BY THE COUNTY.

COMMITTEE CLERK REQUESTED TO SEND MEMO TO CHAIR IF INFORMATION NOT RECEIVED.

12B) REF# 8222/7345 AUDIT OF THE 2012/2013 SALARY DEFERMENT PROGRAM AND REIMBURSEMENT OF SAME OF ALL COUNTY EMPLOYEES AND (ELECTED) OFFICIALS BY THE COUNTY AUDITOR
(HON. ALDEN H. WOLFE, LEGISLATURE)

COMMITTEE REQUESTED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION FROM THE FEBRUARY 9TH B & F MEETING

-TOTAL AMOUNT OF 2012 DEFERRED SALARIES

-TOTAL AMOUNT OF 2014 DEFERRED PAYMENTS

-BREAKDOWN OF 2014 DEFERRED PAYMENTS
(WHICH POSITIONS RECEIVED MORE IN 2014 THEN WAS DEFERRED IN 2012? WHAT WAS THE DIFFERENCE BEWEEN THE AMOUNTS DEFERRED IN 2012 AND DEFERRED IN 2014 BY POSITION?)

-EXPLANATION OF BUDGETARY IMPACT OF INCREASE IN DEFERRED PAYMENTS OF WHAT WAS DEFERRED IN 2012 AND WHERE DID THE MONEY COME FROM

-WRITTEN EXPLANATION FROM MR. ROBERT BERGMAN AS TO WHY HE COULD NOT PERFORM THE AUDIT

ACTION:
CHAIR GRANT REQUESTED THAT THIS ITEM BE BROUGHT BACK ON NEXT MEETING AGENDA AND THAT MR. ROSA, MR. POWERS, MR. HUMBACH, MR. DEGROAT AND MR. BERGMAN ALL BE PRESENT AND BE PREPARED TO ANSWER ALL THE OUTSTANDING ACTIONS LISTED ABOVE FROM THE FEBRUARY 9, 2016 MEETING.
ADDENDUM:

RATIFYING FINAL MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF ROCKLAND, RCC AND RCC FEDERATION OF ADMINSTRATORS FOR THE PERIOD FROM SEPTEMBER 1. 2013 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2016

ACTION:

COMMITTEE REQUESTED FINANCE DEPARTMENT TO PROVIDE AN ANALYSIS FOR THE SOURCE OF FUNDING FOR THE NEW CONTRACT. SINCE THE VETTING SHEET WAS INCOMPLETE, THE COMMITTEE IS REQUESTING INFORMATION AS TO WHETHER OR NOT THERE ARE SURPLUS FUNDS IN THE RCC BUDGET TO COVER THE INCREASES SET FORTH IN THE AGREEMENT. HOW WILL THESE CONTRACTUAL INCREAES IMPACT THE 2016-2017 RCC BUDGET, AND WILL THE COUNTY SHARE BE INCREASED AS A RESULT.

PRESENTATION OF THE COUNTY-WIDE AUDIT BY OUTSIDE AUDIT CONSULTANTS- O'CONNOR DAVIES.

ACTIONS:

COMMITTEE REQUESTED AUDITORS TO EXAMINE THE SURPLUS REVENUE GENERATED FROM ALL REVENUE SOURCES INCLUDING SALES AND MORTGAGE TAXES IN 2015, AND LOOK TO SEE IF INDIVIDUAL DEPARTMENTS OVERSPENT THEIR BUDGETS AND IF SO, WAS IT COVERED BY THE SURPLUS REVENUE. HOW WAS SURPLUS REVENUE SPENT IN 2015.

JULY 26, 2016

4A) REF# 3977

(1) APPROVING SUBMISSION OF THE FY 2016 EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION IN THE AMOUNT OF $184,623 WITH A LOCAL MATCH ($184,623) TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND UPON ITS APPROVAL AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE THE NECESSARY INSTRUMENTS AND DOCUMENTS AND AUTHORIZING THE COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE TO ESTABLISH NEW ACCOUNTS FOR THE FY 2016 EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT RECIPIENT'S [OFFICE OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT] ($184,623)

ACTIONS:

ADMINISTRATION IS REQUESTED TO PROVIDE CLARIFICATION ON HOW THE CONSORTIUM AWARDED FUNDING TO MUNICIPAILITES AND AGENGIES. IN WHAT WAY WAS THE DISTRIBUTION MORE EVEN? HOW WAS DATA USED FROM CENSUS TRACKING TO MAKE AWARD DETERMINATIONS?

12B) REF# 9505 AUSTERITY MEASURES UPDATE

ACTIONS:

COMMITTEE REQUESTS CONFIDENTIAL MEMORANDUM FROM COUNTY ATTORNEY OUTLINING THE RATIONALE FOR TERMINATIING POLICE ADCADEMY CONTRACTS. REQUESTED INFORMATION SHOULD ALSO INCLUDE REASONS FOR RE-INSTATING SAME CONTRACTS.

ADMINISTRATION/FINANCE REQUESTED TO PROVIDE A BREAKDOWN OF AUSTERITY MEASURES BY DEPARTMENT.

RESPONSE: Funds were transferred within County departments into account E6601 Appropriation Reserve similar to prior years in order to mitigate the potential loss of revenue due to the failure to sell the Sain Builing. The respective amounts are readily available on PeopleSoft's financial system which is accessible to the staff from the Legislature.

August 9, 2016

1B) REF# 9505 AUSTERITY MEASURES UPDATE

ACTIONS:

CASH FLOW ANALYSIS (FOR TRACKING PURPOSES) TO INCLUDE; ALL CONTRACT TERMINATIONS, VENDORS FURLOUGHED AND/OR RE-NEGOTIATED, SUMMARY OF VENDORS PAID, NOT PAID.

August 16, 2016

1A) REF# 9505 UPDATE ON THE 2ND QUARTER (MID-YEAR) 2016 STATUS OF ROCKLAND COUNTY FINANCIAL REPORTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE RC DEFICIT FINANCING ACT PRESENTED TO THE NYS COMPTROLLER

ACTIONS:

ADMINISTRATION IS REQUESTED TO RECONCILE PERSONNEL VACANCY COUNT