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TO: Legislators, Directors, Staff and Media
FROM: Jamie L. Slocum, Clerk of the Legislature 
DATE: November 16, 2015
RE: Matter of Importance – File No. 15-0399

15-0399 – Amend the 2015 Capital Budget: Amend Bond Resolution 166 of 2015 to Provide an Increase in Funding; and Authorize an Energy Performance Contract with Smartwatt Energy, Inc. for Energy Conservation Improvements at Frontier Field – As A Matter of Importance – County Executive Maggie Brooks

This referral was not made to committee at the preceding meeting of the Legislature on November 10, 2015, but has been determined by President Jeffrey R. Adair 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.

Attachment.



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Monroe County, New York

Maggie Brooks
County Executive

November 16, 2015

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

Subject: Amend the 2015 Capital Budget; Amend Bond Resolution 166 of 2015 to Provide an Increase in Funding; and Authorize an Energy Performance Contract with Smartwatt Energy, Inc. for Energy Conservation Improvements at Frontier Field

Honorable Legislators:

I recommend that Your Honorable Body amend the 2015 Capital Budget; amend Bond Resolution 166 of 2015 to provide an increase in funding; and authorize an energy performance contract with Smartwatt Energy, Inc., in the amount of \$914,765.80, for energy conservation improvements at Frontier Field.

In January 2015, the County issued a request for proposals for Energy Performance Contracting Services for Frontier Field consistent with New York State Energy Law Article 9. Smartwatt Energy, Inc. was selected based on qualifications and their proforma. Subsequently, the County requested Smartwatt Energy, Inc. to conduct an energy audit of lighting at Frontier Field.

As a result of the energy audit, it was determined that substantial energy savings could be achieved by replacing existing lighting systems that are no longer energy efficient and/or are at the end of their useful life. The project will involve replacing over 1,922 existing lighting with various types of LED lighting fixtures. The cost to design, furnish and install the energy conservation improvements is \$914,765.80. Smartwatt Energy, Inc. will guarantee the annual reduction in energy consumption used by the lighting.

Smartwatt Energy, Inc. will guarantee annual energy savings from the improvements. These savings will offset the cost of the project over a 9.7 year period following commissioning of the improvements. The average annual cost savings is estimated to be \$88,070 per year. The total project savings are estimated to be \$1,321,044 over the 15-year expected life of the energy improvements.

The specific legislative actions required are:

1. Amend the 2015 Capital Budget to increase funding for the Frontier Field Improvements project, in the amount of \$1,000,000 from \$2,150,000 to \$3,150,000, for a total project authorization of \$3,150,000.

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2. Amend Bond Resolution 166 of 2015 to increase financing for the Frontier Field Improvements project, capital fund 1747, in the amount of \$1,000,000, from \$2,150,000 to \$3,150,000, for a total project authorization of \$3,150,000.
3. Authorize the County Executive, or her designee, to execute any and all documents, and any amendments thereto, needed for the financing, execution, and implementation of energy conservation, with Smartwatt Energy, Inc., 400 Mason Road, Fairport, New York 14450, for energy conservation improvements at Frontier Field, in the amount of \$914,765.80, along with any amendments necessary to complete the project within the total capital fund(s) appropriation.

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

Funding for this project, consistent with authorized uses, will be available in capital fund 1747 once the additional financing authorization requested herein is approved and in any capital fund(s) created for the same intended purpose. No additional 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 Smartwatt Energy, Inc., nor any of its principal officers, owe any delinquent Monroe County property taxes. The principal officers of the firm are:

Chris Covell, President
Tarek El-Gohary, Vice President of East Coast Operations

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

Sincerely,



Maggie Brooks
County Executive