

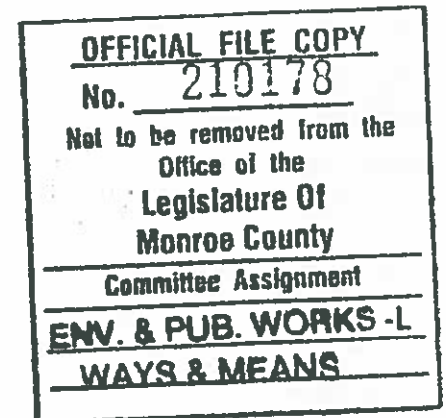


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Monroe County, New York

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

Subject: Amend the 2021 Capital Budget and Bond Resolution 189 of 2018 to Provide an Increase in Funding for the Specialized Secure Detention Facility Project and Authorize Contracts with the Dormitory Authority of the State of New York

Honorable Legislators:

I recommend that Your Honorable Body amend the 2021 Capital Budget and Bond Resolution 189 of 2018 to provide an increase in funding for the Specialized Secure Detention Facility project and authorize contracts with the Dormitory Authority of the State of New York.

Your Honorable Body, through Bond Resolution 189 of 2018, authorized financing for the Specialized Secure Detention project at the Children's Detention Center ("CDC"). This project includes the design and construction of new facilities as required by New York State's Raise the Age initiative. Phase One involved reconstruction of a portion of Building 67 at the CDC to establish ten initial beds for Adolescent Offenders. Phase Two of the project will involve construction of new housing units to optimize accommodations for the fluctuating number of mixed populations of male and female Adolescent Offenders, Juvenile Offenders, and Juvenile Delinquents, and expanding and modernizing the program space necessary for education, health care, counselling, security, administration, food service, and recreation so that proper sight-and-sound separation is achieved for the mixed populations of male and female Adolescent Offenders, Juvenile Offenders, and Juvenile Delinquents.

The Departments of Human Services, Finance, and Environmental Services have met several times with stakeholders from New York State to review the conceptual plans for Phase Two, including local and regional population projections, facility configuration, program space, opinions of probable cost, and cost allocations. As a result of those discussions, costs for the design and construction of the new facility's various components will be reimbursed by New York State at different rates depending on their function to serve the mixed populations housed. The County is interested in funding this project through the Dormitory Authority of the State of New York. The Departments of Human Services and Finance are continuing discussions with New York State to achieve the most favorable financing and cost sharing opportunities for Monroe County.

The specific legislative actions required are:

1. Amend the 2021 Capital Budget to increase funding for the Specialized Secure Detention Facility project in the amount of \$14,900,000 from \$0 to \$14,900,000 for a total project authorization of \$36,600,000.
2. Amend Bond Resolution 189 of 2018 to increase financing for the Specialized Secure Detention Facility project, capital fund 1894, in the amount of \$14,900,000 from \$21,700,000 to \$36,600,000, for a total project authorization of \$36,600,000.


3. Authorize the County Executive, or his designee, to execute contracts with the Dormitory Authority of the State of New York for various design, construction, and financing services and to purchase furniture, fixtures, and equipment for the Specialized Secure Detention Facility project, and any amendments necessary to complete the project within the total capital fund(s) appropriation.

The provisions of the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act shall be complied with prior to Your Honorable Body undertaking, funding, or approving the action requested in this referral.

Funding for this project, consistent with authorized uses, will be available in capital fund 1894 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.

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

Sincerely,



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