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To The Honorable  
Monroe County Legislature  
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Committee Assignment
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**Subject:** Increase and Improvement of Facilities in the Irondequoit Bay South Central Pure Waters District - Lake Ontario Resiliency & Economic Development Initiative (REDI) - Sandbar WWPS Project, and Amend the 2023 Capital Budget and Bond Resolution 125 of 2020 to Provide an Increase in Funding

Honorable Legislators:

I recommend that Your Honorable Body approve a request to establish an Increase and Improvement of Facilities in the Irondequoit Bay South Central Pure Waters District (the "District") in the amount of \$245,000 for a capital project entitled "Lake Ontario Resiliency & Economic Development Initiative (REDI) – Sandbar WWPS Project," and amend the 2023 Capital Budget and Bond Resolution 125 of 2020 to provide an increase in funding.

The total Increase and Improvement of Facilities in the District is comprised of the "General Pump Station and Interceptor Improvements" project (\$400,000) and the "Lake Ontario Resiliency & Economic Development Initiative (REDI) - Sandbar WWPS Project" (\$245,000) for a total estimated cost of the Increase and Improvement of Facilities in the amount of \$645,000. The "General Pump Station and Interceptor Improvements" project is under consideration by Your Honorable Body as a companion referral.

This project was presented to, and approved by, Your Honorable Body in 2020 (Resolution 124 of 2020) in conjunction with a \$250,000 grant from New York State. The project seeks to address flooding that occurs during high water events by protecting the building and its equipment at the Monroe County Department of Environmental Services Sandbar Wastewater Pump Station, which is located in Sandbar Park, a Town of Webster municipal park. The pump station is submersible but the adjacent control building, including a standby generator, is constructed at grade and is vulnerable to water intrusion from Irondequoit Bay.

The Town of Webster has completed design of the improvements, has bid the project, and the bids for the work received by the Town of Webster exceed the prior \$250,000 funding authorization from your Honorable Body (Resolution 125 of 2020). The Department of Environmental Services has reviewed the cost breakdown from the contractor's bid for the work as provided by the Town of Webster. The costs for the portion of the work related to the County's pump station are accurate and reasonable.

The estimated cost of the improvements is \$495,000, with \$250,000 previously authorized. The actual debt service obligation for the additional cost of the project, \$245,000, as projected in future years, could potentially result in an increase of \$0.13 to the future annual charges of the average District ratepayer. However, the actual impact is typically reduced through the retirement of previous debt and other offsets to the District's capital charge levy. Based on average, annual water consumption of 60,000 gallons, the total annual charge for both operation and maintenance and capital to the typical District ratepayer in 2022 is \$117.74.

**The specific legislative actions required are:**

1. Hold a Public Hearing for the proposed maximum amount to be expended for an "Increase and Improvement of Facilities in the Irondequoit Bay South Central Pure Waters District."
2. Following the Public Hearing, adopt a resolution approving the "Increase and Improvement of Facilities in the Irondequoit Bay South Central Pure Waters District" at the maximum amount to be expended.
3. Amend the 2023 Capital Budget to increase funding for the "Lake Ontario Resiliency & Economic Development Initiative (REDI) – Sandbar WWPS Project" by \$245,000, for a total authorization of \$495,000.
4. Amend Bond Resolution 125 of 2020 to increase the total estimated project cost and financing for the "Lake Ontario Resiliency & Economic Development Initiative (REDI) – Sandbar WWPS Project", capital fund 1977 by \$245,000, from \$250,000 to \$495,000, for a total project authorization of \$495,000, subject to the approval of the State Comptroller, if required.

This action is a Type II Action pursuant to 6 NYCRR § 617.5(c)(9) ("construction or expansion of a primary or accessory/appurtenant, non-residential structure or facility involving less than 4,000 square feet of gross floor area and not involving a change in zoning or a use variance and consistent with local land use controls, but not radio communication or microwave transmission facilities") and is not subject to further review under the State Environmental Quality Review Act.

Funding for this project, consistent with authorized uses, will be available in capital fund 1977 once the additional financing authorization requested herein is approved and any capital fund(s) created for the same intended purpose. The local funding for this project will ultimately be provided by Pure Waters District user fees. 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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