

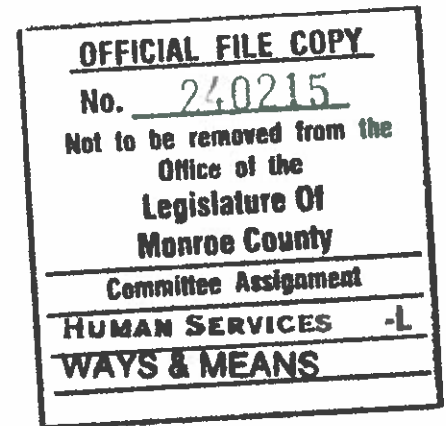


Office of the County Executive

Monroe County, New York

Adam J. Bello
County Executive

June 7, 2024



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

Subject: Amend Resolution 234 of 2023 to Amend and Increase the Contract with Ontario Bus Inc. for Bus Transportation Services for Monroe County Early Intervention and Preschool Special Education Programs

Honorable Legislators:

I recommend that Your Honorable Body amend Resolution 234 of 2023 to amend and increase the contract with Ontario Bus Inc. for bus transportation services for children enrolled in the Monroe County Early Intervention and Preschool Special Education Programs for the period of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026, for the first year of the contract (July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024), with annual increases not to exceed the annual Consumer Price Index ("CPI") increase for the Northeast Urban area for the prior twelve months preceding the date on which the new contract year is to commence, and with the option to renew for two (2) additional one-year periods at an annual rate of increase not to exceed the annual CPI increase for the Northeast Urban area for the twelve months preceding each renewal.

This contract will provide New York State-mandated transportation services to children within Monroe County who are receiving services through our Early Intervention and Preschool Special Education Programs. Children within these programs receive a variety of services, including but not limited to speech therapy, occupational therapy, and physical therapy, which often require transportation to and from the child's home. Ontario Bus Inc. has a history of successfully providing such services to this specialized population.

The specific legislative action required is to amend Resolution 234 of 2023 to amend and increase the contract with Ontario Bus Inc. for bus transportation services for the Monroe County Early Intervention and Preschool Special Education Programs from an amount not to exceed \$10,306,272 to an amount not to exceed \$15,800,000 for the first year of the contract (July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024).

This action is a Type II Action pursuant to 6 NYCRR § 617.5(c)(26) ("routine or continuing agency administration and management, not including new programs or major reordering of priorities that may affect the environment") and is not subject to further review under the State Environmental Quality Review Act.

Funding for this contract is included in the 2024 operating budget of the Department of Public Health, general fund 9001, funds centers 5807060000, EI Transportation and 5807540000, PSE Transportation, and will be requested in future years' budgets. 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 Ontario Bus Inc., nor any of its principal officers, owe any delinquent Monroe County property taxes. The principal officers of the firm are:

Gary Yuzbashev, President
Igor Finkelstein, General Manager

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

Sincerely,


Adam J. Bello
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