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

Subject: Amend the 2017-2022 Capital Improvement Program and the Proposed 2017 Capital Budget to Add a Project Entitled "Public Safety Communications Infrastructure" and Authorize an Appropriation Transfer

Honorable Legislators:

I recommend that Your Honorable Body amend the 2017-2022 Capital Improvement Program and the proposed 2017 Capital Budget to add a project entitled "Public Safety Communications Infrastructure" in the amount of \$1,200,000; and authorize an appropriation transfer for the project in the amount of \$1,200,000.

In preparation for the dissolution of Monroe Safety & Security Systems Local Development Corporation ("M3S"), the Department of Public Safety seeks to create a new capital project for the periodic improvement and upgrade of the County's public safety communications infrastructure, including the digital P25 trunked radio system. The upgrade and replacement of equipment needed for the communications systems was a function previously accounted for within the annual contractual payment made to M3S. The dissolution of M3S, however, will allow the Department of Public Safety to include \$1,200,000 in the proposed 2017 operating budget for cash capital financing that can be transferred to the capital budget.

The County's public safety communications infrastructure equipment must continually be upgraded, improved, and replaced due to constant weather exposure, improvements in technology, and to meet growing needs of the public safety and public works community. Creating a capital fund for such replacement, funded by cash capital in the annual operating budget, is necessary for proper strategic, operational, and sound financial planning purposes.

This project is scheduled to be considered by the Monroe County Planning Board on December 1, 2016.

The specific legislative actions required are:

1. Amend the 2017-2022 Capital Improvement Program to add a project entitled "Public Safety Communications Infrastructure," in the amount of \$1,200,000.


2. Amend the proposed 2017 Capital Budget to add a project entitled "Public Safety Communications Infrastructure," in the amount of \$1,200,000.
3. Authorize the Controller to transfer \$1,200,000 from the proposed 2017 operating budget of the Department of Public Safety, general fund 9001, funds center 2406010000, Public Safety Communications, to the capital fund to be established for the project "Public Safety Communications Infrastructure."

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 included in the capital fund to be established pursuant to the appropriation transfer requested herein, and any other 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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Monroe County Executive

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