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To The Honorable
Monroe County Legislature
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Rochester, New York 14614

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Subject: Increase and Improvement of Facilities in the Rochester Pure Waters District – General Collection System and Treatment Plant Improvements and Amend the Proposed 2017 Capital Budget and Bond Resolution 47 of 2016

Honorable Legislators:

I recommend that Your Honorable Body approve a request to establish an Increase and Improvement of Facilities in the Rochester Pure Waters District (District), in the amount of \$2,500,000, consisting of a capital project entitled "General Collection System and Treatment Plant Improvements," and amend the proposed 2017 Capital Budget and Bond Resolution 47 of 2016.

The total Increase and Improvement of Facilities in the District is comprised of the "General Collection System and Treatment Plant Improvements" project (\$2,500,000), the "Pure Waters Lighting Replacement – Phase II" project (\$2,036,000), and the "Combined Sewer Overflow Abatement Program (CSOAP) Tunnel System Improvements" project (\$2,000,000) for a total estimated cost of the Increase and Improvement of Facilities in the amount of \$6,536,000. All of the above projects are under consideration by Your Honorable Body as companion referrals.

This increase and improvement of facilities is necessary to provide additional funding for continuation of the "General Collection System and Treatment Plant Improvements" project (capital fund 1728). This project includes general improvements to various pump stations, collection system infrastructure and the Frank E. Van Lare Wastewater Treatment Plant including enhancements to appurtenant communication and data transmission systems. This project is necessary to maintain the reliability and continuity of services to District customers.

The estimated cost of the improvements is \$2,500,000. The actual debt service obligation for the additional cost of the project, as projected in future years, could potentially result in an increase of \$1.49 to the future annual charges of the average District ratepayer. However, the actual impact is typically reduced through retirement of previous debt and other offsets to the District's capital charge levy. Based on an average water consumption of 60,000 gallons, the total annual charge for both operation & maintenance and capital to the typical District ratepayer in 2017 is \$235.70.

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 Rochester Pure Waters District."
2. Following the Public Hearing, adopt a resolution approving the "Increase and Improvement of Facilities in the Rochester Pure Waters District" at the maximum amount to be expended.
3. Amend the proposed 2017 Capital Budget to increase funding for the "General Collection System and Treatment Plant Improvements" project (capital fund 1728), in the amount of \$2,500,000 from \$7,200,000 to \$9,700,000, for a total project authorization of \$9,700,000.
4. Amend Bond Resolution 47 of 2016 to increase the total estimated project cost and financing for the "General Collection System and Treatment Plant Improvements" project (capital fund 1728), in the amount of \$2,500,000 from \$7,200,00 to \$9,700,000, for a total project authorization of \$9,700,000, subject to the approval of the State Comptroller, if required.
5. Authorize filing of applications and execution of Project Financing Agreements and any other necessary documents by the County Executive or the Director of Finance- Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate, for participation in the New York State Water Pollution Control Revolving Loan Fund (SRF) under the applicable laws of New York State to finance all or a portion of the project.

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 1728 once the additional financing authorization requested herein is approved and in any other 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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Monroe County Executive