

February 10, 2022

COMMUNITY ENRICHMENT COMMITTEE
REPORT NO. 1

ALL MEMBERS PRESENT, EXCEPT LEGISLATOR GILMOUR.
CHAIR BASKIN PRESENT AS EX-OFFICIO MEMBER.

1. RESOLVED, the following item is hereby received and filed:
- a. COMM. 24E-7 (2021)

COUNTY EXECUTIVE: “Re-Appointment to the Buffalo & Erie County Public Library Board of Directors”
(Chair’s Ruling)
2. COMM. 3E-4 (2022)
- COUNTY EXECUTIVE

AS AMENDED

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Legislature does hereby confirm the appointment of Christopher Sasiadek, Esq. to the Buffalo and Erie County Public Library Board of Directors for a term ending December 31, 2026.
(5-0)
3. COMM. 3E-21 (2022)
- COUNTY EXECUTIVE

WHEREAS, in the amended and adopted 2021 Erie County Budget, the Legislature appropriated \$94,000 in funding to the Research Foundation for SUNY/Buffalo State on behalf of Buffalo Niagara Film Commission to provide various public benefit services and include additional work for programming efforts; and

WHEREAS, the Research Foundation for SUNY/Buffalo State on Behalf of the Buffalo Niagara Film Commission has not utilized all available 2021 funds, and the organizations desires to continue to perform its work in 2022 using the unutilized 2021 Erie county funds; and

WHEREAS, the Research Foundation for SUNY/Buffalo State on behalf of the Buffalo Niagara Film Commission has requested the continuation of the initiative in 2022 using 2021 funds; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Law has opined that to allow the rollover and use of the 2021 funds and to extend the Research Foundation for SUNY/Buffalo State on Behalf of the Buffalo Niagara Film Commission’s contract, legislative assent via a legislative resolution is necessary.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Legislature hereby expresses its support for, and approval for the extension of a contract with the Research Foundation for SUNY/Buffalo State on Behalf of the Buffalo Niagara Film Commission for its continued work, and authorizes the amendment of the 2021 contract between the County of Erie and the Research Foundation for SUNY/Buffalo State on behalf of the Buffalo Niagara Film Commission for 2022; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be transmitted to the County Executive, Commissioner of Environment and Planning, Kristen Walder in the Department of Law, the Director of Budget and Management, and Jessica Berg of the Research Foundation for SUNY/Buffalo State on Behalf of the Buffalo Niagara Film Commission.
(5-0)

HOWARD J. JOHNSON, JR.
ACTING CHAIR

June 16, 2022

COMMUNITY ENRICHMENT COMMITTEE
REPORT NO. 2

ALL MEMBERS PRESENT.
CHAIR BASKIN PRESENT AS EX-OFFICIO MEMBER.

- 1. RESOLVED, all items are hereby tabled.
(Chair’s ruling)

JOHN J. GILMOUR
CHAIR

June 30, 2022

COMMUNITY ENRICHMENT COMMITTEE
REPORT NO. 3

ALL MEMBERS PRESENT, EXCEPT LEGISLATOR GILMOUR.
CHAIR BASKIN PRESENT AS EX-OFFICIO MEMBER.

1. RESOLVED, the following items are hereby received and filed:
- a. COMM. 11M-3 (2022)
SUNY ERIE BOARD OF TRUSTEES: “2022-2023 SUNY Erie Operating Budget”
(Chair’s Ruling)

b. COMM. 12E-4 (2022)
COMPTROLLER: “Analysis of SUNY Erie Community College’s 2022-2023 Budget”
(Chair’s Ruling)

2. COMM. 12E-25 (2022)
COUNTY EXECUTIVE
WHEREAS, the existing fiber-reinforced insulated translucent sandwich panel daylighting system at the Ellicott Street Building is 39 years old and faces severe exterior facesheet, fiberbloating, and delaminations due to its age and exposure to the sun and weather resulting in water infiltration to the recently installed flat roof system; and

WHEREAS, the new fiber-reinforced panel daylighting system with alternate scope of insulated laminated glazing insert will resolve the issues of water infiltration, improve thermal resistance resulting in lower energy costs for heating and cooling, and increase daylighting transmission reducing the need for artificial lighting, and SHPO approval has been received; and

WHEREAS, the County will receive 50% reimbursement from New York State for this project; and

WHEREAS, the County of Erie received bids for the Erie Community College (ECC) City Campus 2022 Ellicott Street Building Skylight Reconstruction and Roof Repairs project on Tuesday, May 10, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the lowest responsible bidder for the General Construction Work is Allstate General Contracting Inc.; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works (DPW) and CannonDesign are recommending award of the contract to the lowest responsible bidder; and

WHEREAS, the County of Erie previously entered into an Agreement with CannonDesign to provide professional architecture and engineering services for the project (COMM. 16E-15 on September 20, 2018) and an additional A/E design contingency of \$250,000 is required for additional full-time Construction management and inspection services necessary to assist DPW due to the project’s logistical complexity.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the County Executive is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with the lowest responsible bidder for the ECC City Campus 2022 Ellicott Street Building Skylight Reconstruction and Roof Repairs project for an amount not to exceed as follows:

General Construction Work		
Allstate General Contracting	Base Bid:	\$ 2,997,300
	Add Alternate No 1	\$ 97,300
Total Award of General Construction Contract:		\$ 3,094,600

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the sum of \$300,981.94 be allocated to a Construction Contingency Fund with authorization for the County Executive to approve change orders in an amount not to exceed the Contingency Fund; and be it further

RESOLVED, that change order reductions will result in these funds being returned to the Construction Contingency Fund; and be it further

RESOLVED, that that the County Executive is authorized to enter into an Agreement Amendment with CannonDesign for an additional A/E design contingency of \$250,000 for the project; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Comptroller’s Office be authorized to make payment for all the above from the approved Capital Budgets, Fund 480, Funds Center 122, follows:

E.17002	2017 ECC Roof Replacement, Exterior Waterproofing and Masonry Collegewide	\$1,542,641.85
E.18002	2018 ECC Roof Replacement, Exterior Waterproofing and Masonry Collegewide	\$1,852,940.09
E.19001	2019 Collegewide Improvements and Renovations	\$ 250,000.00
For a Total Amount Not to Exceed		\$3,645,581.94

and be it further

RESOLVED, that two certified copies of this resolution be sent to the Department of Public Works, Commissioner's Office, and one copy each to the Office of the County Executive, the Division of Budget and Management, Erie Community College, Director of Finance, and the Office of the Comptroller.

(5-0)

HOWARD J. JOHNSON, JR.
ACTING CHAIR

September 15, 2022

COMMUNITY ENRICHMENT COMMITTEE
REPORT NO. 4

ALL MEMBERS PRESENT.
CHAIR BASKIN PRESENT AS EX-OFFICIO MEMBER.

- 1. RESOLVED, the following item is hereby received and filed:
 - a. COMM. 15M-6 (2022)
PRESIDENT & CEO OF VISIT BUFFALO NIAGARA: “2022 Second Quarter Reports”
(Chair’s Ruling)
- 2. COMM. 15E-20 (2022)
COUNTY EXECUTIVE
WHEREAS, SUNY Erie Community College is renewing the subscription of the Workday ERP platform originally purchased July 24, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the cost to renew the subscription is \$559,742 year one, \$586,051 year two and \$613,900 year three; and

WHEREAS, the College will realize a total cost savings of \$431,205 over the life of the new 3-year agreement; and

WHEREAS, the funding for this subscription would be expensed from the ITS budget; and

WHEREAS, denial of this request would negatively impact the fiscal state of the College by forcing the renewal under the terms of the old agreement, costing an additional \$431,205; and

WHEREAS, at its June 30, 2022 meeting, the SUNY Erie Community College Board of Trustees approved the Workday 3 Year Renewal Agreement and on June 30, 2022 also approved seeking Erie County Legislature approval of the same amendment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Legislature hereby approve the renewal agreement between SUNY Erie and Workday; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the total 3-year agreement cost will be \$1,759,390, a savings of \$431,205 over the renewal terms in the originally approved agreement; and be it further

RESOLVED, that copies of the resolution be forwarded the Erie County Executive, President of SUNY Erie Community College and the Chairwoman of the SUNY Erie Community College Board of Trustees.
(6-0)

- 3. COMM. 15E-21 (2022)
COUNTY EXECUTIVE
WHEREAS, the Erie County Legislature must approve contracts in excess of \$50,000 for SUNY Erie; and

WHEREAS, the SUNY Erie Board of Trustees approved Service Bridges, Inc. as a vendor at their July 28, 2022 Board Meeting to provide American Sign Language interpretation services to qualified students, faculty and staff for a three-year contract not to exceed \$150,000; and

WHEREAS, SUNY Erie has adequate funds available in its operating budget to cover the cost of the American Sign Language interpretation services; and

WHEREAS, American Sign Language interpretation is a requirement under the Americans with Disability Act (ADA) of 1990 and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 as a reasonable accommodation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Legislature of the County of Erie does hereby authorize entering into a three-year contract not to exceed \$150,000 to Service Bridges, Inc. for the purpose of providing American Sign Language interpretation for classroom and campus functions; and be it further

RESOLVED, the President of SUNY Erie is authorized to enter a contract with Service Bridges, Inc. for American Sign Language interpretation services for a three-year period that does not exceed \$150,000 for the purpose of providing American Sign Language interpretation for classroom and campus functions; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Legislature of the County of Erie shall forward certified copies of this resolution to the County Executive of the County of Erie, to the Chairman of the Board of Trustees of SUNY Erie, and to the President of SUNY Erie.
(6-0)

4. COMM. 15E-22 (2022) `AS AMENDED
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

WHEREAS, the Workday Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) system does not properly satisfy the needs of the College; and

WHEREAS, the \$180 per hour, pay-as-you-go, cost of Workday’s implementation partner’s (Huron Consulting Group) technical support required to develop/customize the Workday solution is unaffordable; and

WHEREAS, 48 of 64 SUNY College and Universities have implemented the Ellucian Banner ERP tool with the assistance and on-going support of well-staffed SUNY support organizations ITEC (located at Buffalo State) and SICAS (located at Oneonta State); and

WHEREAS, SUNY, SUNY ITEC and SUNY SICAS recommend that SUNY Erie migrate from the Workday ERP system to the Ellucian Banner system, as soon as possible, to minimize on-going Workday and archived data management expense; and

WHEREAS, the Erie County Legislature must approve contracts in excess of \$50,000 for the College; and

WHEREAS, SUNY Erie Community College has formally requested \$3,000,000 in from Erie County in the 2023 Capital Budget to support the College’s migration from Workday to Ellucian’s Banner platform; and

WHEREAS, SUNY Erie Community College will be submitting a request to the State of New York for the State to match the requested \$3,000,000 County capital request; and

WHEREAS, SUNY Erie Community College has the cash reserves available to cover the requested ERP platform migration expense should the requested capital budget not be approved by the Erie County Legislature and/or the project by the State of New York.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Legislature of the County of Erie does hereby authorize the College to award a five-year contract to Strata Information Group (SIG), a current SUNY vendor, for an amount not to exceed \$2,809,762.50; and be it further

RESOLVED, that that the source of the funds available to pay for this expense is available in SUNY Erie’s unrestricted fund balance account and is hereby authorized for expenditure by SUNY Erie’s Board of Trustees, if County and State funding is not secured in the 2023 budget cycle or future budget cycles; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Legislature shall forward certified copies of this Resolution to the Erie County Executive, the Chairman of the Board of Trustees of SUNY Erie, and the SUNY Erie President.
(6-0)

5. COMM. 15E-23 (2022) `AS AMENDED
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

WHEREAS, the Workday Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) system does not properly satisfy the needs of the College; and

WHEREAS, the \$180 per hour, pay-as-you-go, cost of Workday’s implementation partner’s (Huron Consulting Group) technical support required to develop/customize the Workday solution is unaffordable; and

WHEREAS, 48 of 64 SUNY College and Universities have implemented the Ellucian Banner ERP tool with the assistance and on-going support of well-staffed SUNY support organizations ITEC (located at Buffalo State) and SICAS (located at Oneonta State); and

WHEREAS, SUNY, SUNY ITEC and SUNY SICAS recommend that SUNY Erie migrate from the Workday ERP system to the Ellucian Banner system, as soon as possible, to minimize on-going Workday and archived data management expense; and

WHEREAS, the Erie County Legislature must approve contracts in excess of \$50,000 for the College; and

WHEREAS, SUNY Erie Community College has formally requested \$3,000,000 in from Erie County in the 2023 Capital Budget to support the Collge’s migration from Workday to Ellucian’s Banner platform; and

WHEREAS, SUNY Erie Community College will be submitting a request to the State of New York for the State to match the requested \$3,000,000 County capital request; and

WHEREAS, SUNY Erie Community College has the cash reserves available to cover the requested ERP platform migration expense should the requested capital budget not be approved by the Erie County Legislature and/or the funding match from the State of New York; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that SUNY Erie is hereby authorized to obtain the Erie County Legislature's approval to award a five-year contract to Ellucian, a current SUNY vendor, for an amount not to exceed \$2,318,908; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the source of the funds available to pay for this expense is available in SUNY Erie's unrestricted fund balance account and is hereby authorized for expenditure by SUNY Erie Community College Board of Trustees, if County and or State funding is not secured in the 2023 budget cycle or future budget cycles; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Legislature shall forward certified copies of this Resolution to the Erie County Executive, the Chairman of the Board of Trustees of SUNY Erie, and the SUNY Erie President.

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JOHN J. GILMOUR
CHAIR

September 29, 2022

COMMUNITY ENRICHMENT COMMITTEE
REPORT NO. 5

ALL MEMBERS PRESENT.
CHAIR BASKIN PRESENT AS EX-OFFICIO MEMBER.

1. COMM. 16E-13 (2022)
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

WHEREAS, pursuant to NYS Education Law §6304, the County is the local sponsor to SUNY Erie whereby the County provides annual financial and operational support to SUNY Erie in furtherance of its purpose to educate the residents of Erie County; and

WHEREAS, SUNY Erie is in the midst of an ongoing financial crisis due to the steady decline of its student body with enrollment trends indicating a continuation of said decline; and

WHEREAS, in an effort to achieve fiscal stability, SUNY Erie offered retirement incentives to its FFECC (Faculty Federation of Erie Community College), AAEECC (Administrators Association of Erie Community College), CSEA (Civil Service Employees Association) and AFSCME (American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees) members; and

WHEREAS, on March 18, 2022, the County and SUNY Erie entered into a MOU (attached hereto as Exhibit A) whereby the County agreed to allocate a funding grant of \$2,487,650 to SUNY Erie for use towards the cost of said retirement incentives of which to date \$1,625,656.17 has been utilized; and

WHEREAS, the County continues to be desirous of aiding SUNY Erie in its effort to achieve fiscal stability; and

WHEREAS, the County is willing to reallocate to SUNY Erie the funding grant residual balance of \$861,993.83 for use towards the cost of unemployment insurance expenditures which result from employee layoffs effectuated due to SUNY Erie’s continued fiscal imbalance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Executive is authorized to enter into a memorandum of understanding with SUNY Erie Community College for the reallocation of \$861,993.83 for use towards the cost of unemployment insurance expenditures which resulted from employee layoffs due to SUNY Erie Community College’s continued fiscal imbalance; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Office of the County Executive, the Division of Budget and Management, the County Attorney’s Office, the Office of the Comptroller and the Office of the President of SUNY Erie Community College.
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JOHN J. GILMOUR
CHAIR