

May 16, 2025

Erie County Legislature 92 Franklin Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Buffalo, New York 14202

RE: 2025 Public Works Projects – Authorization to Appropriate Funds and Enter

into Contracts

Dear Honorable Members:

Please find enclosed a resolution from the Department of Public Works seeking legislative authorization of 2025 Public Works construction, construction engineering services, design, and testing projects and their appropriations, and pre-approval of bids for contracting. The resolution includes an Exhibit depicting the 2025 road and bridge projects to be conducted.

Should your Honorable Body require further information, I encourage you to contact representatives from the Department of Public Works and Division of Budget and Management. Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Mark C. Poloncarz, Esq. Erie County Executive

MCP/dms Enclosure

cc:

Mark Cornell, Director of Budget and Management William E Geary Jr., Commissioner of Public Works

#### **MEMORANDUM**

To: Erie County Legislature

From: Department of Public Works/Office of the Commissioner

Re: 2025 Public Works Projects – Authorization to Appropriate Funds and Enter into

Contracts

**Date:** May 16, 2025

#### SUMMARY

As was done in previous years, the Department of Public Works (DPW) is requesting legislative authorization to commence work on County Public Works projects as expeditiously as possible to provide relief to the public. Accordingly, legislative pre-approval of 2025 Public Works construction, construction engineering, design, and testing contracts and authorization to appropriate funds for 2025 Public Works projects are being requested.

#### FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The funding sources, previously approved in the Division of Highways Capital Budgets, includes 2019, 2022, 2023 and 2024 bonded, federal aid, and pay-as-you-go projects, as well as 2025 pay-as-you-go and consolidated bond funds listed in the attached Exhibit A, in an amount not to exceed \$61,196,187 will be subject to the expedited contract approval process.

#### REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

Every effort should be made to expedite highway rehabilitation projects to take advantage of the favorable weather to improve the condition of roads and bridges. In previous years your Honorable Body approved of this expedited pre-approved contract process.

The process will begin with the Department of Public Works utilizing approved bidding procedures. Starting with the advertisement and award of all 2025 highway construction projects pursuant to applicable Local and New York State public bidding laws. Contract awards will be reviewed by the Comptroller's Office to verify that the source of funds allows for the expedited pre-approved contract process. Contracts will then be forwarded to the County Executive for signature. The Comptroller's Office will issue vendor payments upon completion and approval of the appropriate invoices and backup documentation by DPW.

# **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The summer construction season in Western New York has a relatively small window of opportunity. The Department of Public Works' goal is to improve as many roads and bridges as possible during that time and keep the public safe. Granting pre-approval of contracts to begin work, after following all proper bidding procedures starting with the advertisement and award of all 2025 highway construction projects pursuant to applicable Local and New York State public bidding laws will help expedite the commencement of construction.

# CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION

Highway rehabilitation and reconstruction projects will be delayed, and work will commence later than desired. In addition, opportunities to take advantage of lower pricing by contractors will be lost.

### STEPS FOLLOWING APPROVAL

Upon approval of this resolution, the County Executive will be authorized to commence the 2025 Public Works construction, construction engineering services, design, and testing projects. The County Executive shall execute 2025 construction contracts to the lowest responsible bidders, as well as the design and testing contracts to firms designated by the Commissioner of Public Works. The Comptroller's Office shall then appropriate and release payments as necessary for the projects.

# **COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE REVIEW**

The proposed legislation has been reviewed by the Office of the Comptroller and is related to authorized capital projects for which there are sufficient appropriations for the action proposed.

Timothy C. Callan
Deputy Comptroller
Comptroller's Office

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Deputy Comptroller
Comptroller's Office

B.19012, B.22054, B.22008, B.23007, B.23050, B.24008, B.24009, B.24010, B.24012, B.24050, B.25003, B.25004 & B.25050

# RESOLUTION SUBMITTED BY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Re: 2025 Public Works Projects – Authorization to Appropriate Funds and Enter into Contracts

WHEREAS, it is critical that the Department of Public Works accomplish as many highway rehabilitation projects as possible and commence projects as soon as possible, including taking advantage of the short construction season and the availability of lower pricing by contractors by early bidding; and

WHEREAS, due to the condition of County facilities, every effort must be made to expedite this work, which includes seeking pre-approval from the Erie County Legislature to award highway, bridge and culvert construction, construction engineering services, design, and testing contracts and to appropriate funds for 2025 highway road program and related work, and

WHEREAS, the County of Erie desires to advance the Construction phase of Federal Aid Projects by making a commitment for the Federal and non-Federal share of the costs of the project and execute New York State and local fed aid agreements to obtain Federal and State reimbursement funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Legislature hereby pre-authorizes the County Executive or Deputy County Executive to enter in to contracts for 2025 Highway Division construction, construction engineering services, design, and testing contracts as designated by the Commissioner of Public Works for projects listed in Exhibit A and any other necessary projects added to the 2025 road list by the Commissioner of Public Works; and be it further

RESOLVED, that pre-approval is contingent upon the advertisement and award of all 2025 highway construction projects pursuant to applicable Local and New York State public bidding laws; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Commissioner of Public Works shall determine the lowest responsible construction bidders and submit recommendations to the County Executive; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Legislature hereby authorizes the County Executive to enter into Agreements with the New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) for the Federal Aid projects in Exhibit A; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Legislature hereby authorizes the County of Erie to pay in the first instance 100% of Federal and non-Federal shares of the cost of construction and construction inspection phases of the Projects or portions thereof with the understanding that qualified costs may be eligible for federal-aid and or state-aid reimbursement; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County of Erie is hereby authorized to accept any Federal, New York State Marchiselli or other revenue that is available and to increase the budgets in the capital

projects in Fund 420, Funds Center 123 accordingly; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the pre-approved contract authorization shall apply to the 2025 highway project contracts, as designated by the Commissioner of Public Works and noted on the attached Exhibit A document, and shall not exceed an aggregate total of \$61,196,187 from the following fund sources:

2019, 2022, 2023, and 2024 Bond Proceeds, Federal Aid, and Pay-As-	\$ 27,446,187
You-Go	
2025 Pay-As-You-Go and Consolidated bond	\$ 33,750,000
Total Funding	\$ 61,196,187

and be it further

RESOLVED, the authorization is hereby given for the expenditures of the funding provided for the above pre-approved projects be extended into 2026 if construction work is unable to be completed in 2025; and be it further

RESOLVED, that authorization is hereby provided to the Director of Budget and Management to make any necessary adjustments to the revenues and expenses to the projects included in Exhibit A; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Comptroller's Office is directed to effectuate the release of funds for road projects based on requests from the Department of Public Works from the above-noted funding sources or related sources of funds made available in 2025; and be it further

RESOLVED, that periodic informational reports shall be filed with the Legislature by the Department of Public Works indicating awarded 2025 highway project contracts and contractors; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be sent to the County Executive's Office, Comptroller's Office, Department of Public Works, Office of the Commissioner, and Division of Budget and Management.

TO:

TIMOTHY C. CALLAN, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE

RE:

PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS REQUIRING RULE 55

### CONTRACT APPROVAL CHECKLIST CONFIRMATION OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS IN CAPITAL PROJECTS

REQU	JESTING DEPARTMENT	COMPLETE ITEMS 1 THROUGH 5
1.	CONTRACTOR'S NAME	Various
2.	AMOUNT OF CONTRACT	Not to exceed \$61,196,187
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3.	PROJECT NUMBER	Various numbers
4.	PROJECT TITLE	2025 Public Works Projects - Highways
5.	DEPARTMENT CONTACT	Funding questions: William E. Geary
		Letter pickup: Christy Weber at 8301
<u>COM</u>	PTROLLER'S OFFICE	COMPLETE ITEMS 6 AND 7
6.	AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS	\$63,498,044.94
7.	PERFORMED BY	Kurpter
Date	e Sent to Comptroller's Office:	05/08/2025

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Exhibit A
Erie County Department of Public Works - 2025 Program

# Maintenance Projects

Mill & Overlay - Districts					) i
County Road and Limits	Funding Source	Estimated Cost	Town	Legislative District	Mileage
Powers (Hill only) from Rt277 to top of the hill	2025 PAYGO - B.25050	\$230,000.00	Orchard Park	7	0.14
Behm (ALL)	2025 PAYGO - B.25050	\$185,000.00	West Falls	10	1.84
Bullis from Three Rod to Marilla Elementary	2025 PAYGO - B.25050	\$235,000.00	Elma	10	1.98
Shimerville from Roll to Clarence Center	2025 PAYGO - B.25050	\$350,000.00	Clarence	9	0.97
William from Bowen to Autumn & W. of Northwood to W. of Aurora	2025 PAYGO - B.25050	\$100,000.00	Lancaster	æ	1.3
Jennings from Genesee to Marshfield	2025 PAYGO - B.25050	\$125,000.00	Collins	11	1.77
Genesee from Mortons Corners-Wyandale to Rt	2025 PAYGO - B.25050	\$430,000.00	Concord	10	2.8
Mayer from Zimmerman to Feddick	2025 PAYGO - B.25050	\$84,000.00	Boston	7-	0.86
Rice from Rt 219 to Zimmerman	2025 PAYGO - B.25050	\$30,000.00	Boston	7-	0.44
Fecdick from Belscher to Shero	2025 PAYGO - B.25050	\$160,000.00	Boston	17	3.16
Indian Church from Mineral Springs to Union	2025 PAYGO - B.25050	\$560,000.00	West Seneca	10	0.87
Sawyer ave from Kenmore to River Rd	2025 PAYGO - B.25050	\$445,500.00	Tonawanda	က	1.02
Aero Drive from Youngs to Transit	2025 PAYGO - B.25050	\$627,000.00	Cheektowaga	7	1.53
	B.25050 Subtotal	\$3,561,500.00			18.68
	Total Mill & Overlay	\$3,561,500.00			

Cold Recycle with Top Course Treatment	¥				
County Road and Limits	Funding Source	Estimated Cost	Town	Legislative District	Mileage
Holland Glenwood from Rt 16 to Phillips	2025 PAYGO - B.25050	\$680,000.00	Holland	10	2.68
Warner Hill from Vermont Hill to Hunters Creek	2025 PAYGO - B.25050	\$222,000.00	Wales	10	0.88
Strickler from Main to Clarence Center	2025 PAYGO - B.25050	\$525,000.00	Clarence	9	2.13
East Ave (All)	2025 PAYGO - B.25050	\$155,000.00	Newstead	9	1.05
Sibley from Genesee to Sharp	2025 PAYGO - B.25050	\$410,000.00	Concord	10	1.53
Emerling from Wagner to Brown Hill	2025 PAYGO - B.25050	\$300,000.00	Concord	10	1.22
New Oregon from 75 Knoell	2025 PAYGO - B.25050	\$236,544.00	Eden	11	1.5
South Abbott from 277 to Newton	2025 PAYGO - B.25050	\$577,368.00	OP/Boston	11	2.43
South Feddick Zimmerman to Belcher	2025 PAYGO - B.25050	\$285,000.00	Boston	11	0.95
	B.25050 Subtotal	\$3,390,912.00			14.37
	Total Cold Recycling	\$3,390,912.00			

County Road and Limits	Funding Source	Estimated Cost	Томп	Legislative District	Mileage
Certerline (ALL)	2025 PAYGO - B.25050	\$180,000.00	Wales	10	90'9
Fish Hill (ALL)	2025 PAYGO - B.25050	\$41,000.00	Wales	10	1.63
East Creek (ALL)	2025 PAYGO - B.25050	\$90,000.00	Wales	10	3.52
Church (ALL)	2025 PAYGO - B.25050	\$30,000.00	Holland	10	1.19
Hunters Creek from Warner Hill to Rt 20A	2025 PAYGO - B.25050	\$95,000.00	Wales	10	3.21
Wamer Hill from Hunters Creek to East Creek	2025 PAYGO - B.25050	\$60,000.00	Wales	10	2.15
Tonawanda Creek from Rt 93 to Burdick	2025 PAYGO - B.25050	\$70,945.66	Newstead	9	2.4
Tonawanda Creek from Salt to Goodrich	2025 PAYGO - B.25050	\$85,287.20	Clarence	9	2.05
Goodrich from Tonawanda Creek to Niagara County line	2025 PAYGO - B.25050	\$14,575.46	Clarence	9	0.25

Oil & Chip					
County Road and Limits	Funding Source	Estimated Cost	Town	Legislative District	Mileage
Nice (ALL)	2025 PAYGO - B.25050	\$75,991.71	Newstead	9	2.1
Boston-Colden (all)	2025 PAYGO - B.25050	\$75,522.00	Boston/Colden	10, 11	3.02
Langford-New Oregon from Sisson Hwy to Brown Hill	2025 PAYGO - B.25050	\$81,307.00	N Collins	11	3.11
New Oregon from Woodside to Langford-New Oregon	2025 PAYGO - B.25050	\$116,532.00	N Collins	11	4.66
South Jennings from W Becker to Rt 39	2025 PAYGO - B.25050	\$29,260.00	Collins	11	1.17
Zoar Valley from Foster to Rt 219	2025 PAYGO - B.25050	\$248,816.00	Collins/Concord	10, 11	9.95
Foster Raad from Zoar Valley to West Becker	2025 PAYGO - B.25050	\$53,016.00	Collins	10	2.12
Ottenbecker from Brown to Woodside	2025 PAYGO - B.25050	\$35,605.00	Collins	10	0.8
Sweetland from Old Lakeshore to Rt 5	2025 PAYGO - B.25050	\$30,820.00	Evans	11	1.15
Hardpan from Rt 249 to South Main	2025 PAYGO - B.25050	\$69,519.00	Brant/Evans	11	3.01
Gowans from Versailles to Delameter	2025 PAYGO - B.25050	\$60,404.00	Evans	11	3.1
Cain Rd from Rt 5 to 20	2025 PAYGO - B.25050	\$50,579.00	Evans/Brant	17	2.9
Cain Rd from Rt 20 to Versailles	2025 PAYGO - B.25050	\$74,295.83	Brant	11	2.87
Hardt from East Eden to 75	2025 PAYGO - B.25050	\$37,650.00	Eden	1	1.64
Haag from E Eden to Feddick	2025 PAYGO - B.25050	\$38,699.00	Eden	11	1.67
Clark from Clark to 62	2025 PAYGO - B.25050	\$12,000.00	Hamburg	11	350FT
2025 Crack Seal of County Roads	2023 PAYGO - B.23050	\$500,000.00	Various	Various	
	B.25050 Subtotal	\$2,049,023.45			74.03
	B.23050 Subtotal	\$500,000.00			350FT
	Total Oil & Chip	\$2,549,023.45			

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Engineering Projects						
County Road and Limits	Funding Source	Estimated Cost	Town	Legislative District	Mileage	Anticipated Bid Date
PIN 5764.14 - Bailey Ave (Grover Cleveland to Sheridan Dr.)	Federal Aid B.24009-\$6,800,000	\$6,800,000.00	Amherst	5	1.2	1st Quarter 2025
2025 Overlay A	B.25001-\$7,500,000	\$7,500,000.00	Various	Various	4.57	1st Quarter 2025
PIN 5763.32 - McKinley Parkway (Southwestern to Quinby)	Federal Aid B.25004 - \$9,000,000	\$9,000,000.00	Hamburg	9	2.02	3rd Quarter 2025
PIN 5764.22 - Maple St (20A to Village line)	Federal Aid B.25003-\$5,250,000 B.24050-\$230,000	\$5,480,000.00	East Aurora	10	0.42	4th Quarter 2025
Maple Rd, North Forest to Flint	B.25050-Transfer Tax	\$2,000,000.00	Amherst	6	2	Mid-Summer 2025
PIN 5763.33- Elmwood Ave (CR119) - Kenmore Ave (CR307) to Knoche Rd (CR306)	Federal Aid B.22008 - \$7,314,000 B.24008 - \$2,850,000	\$10,164,000.00	Various	3 & 4	2.5	3rd Quarter 2025
	B.25050 Subtotal	\$2,000,000.00				
	Other WBS Element Subtotal	\$38,944,000.00				
	Total Engineering Projects	\$40,944,000.00				

Bridge Projects						
County Road and Limits	Funding Source	Estimated Cost	Town	Legislative District	Mileage	Anticipated Bid Date
Sharp St. Bridge Replacement	Bridge NY B.23007 - \$2,315,000	\$2,315,000.00	Concord	10	NA	2nd Quarter 2025
PIN 5764.16 - Bridge Washing/Deck Sealing	Federal Aid B.19012 - \$250,373 B.22054 - \$32,500 B.24012 - \$527,127	\$810,000.00	Various	Various	N <sub>A</sub>	2nd Quarter 2025
PIN 5764.18 - Bridge Painting & Vertical Down	Federal Aid B.24012 - \$1,250,000	\$1,250,000.00	Various	Various	NA	2nd Quarter 2025
Genesee Rd Bridge (BR409-02) BIN 3328690 over Hosmer Brook	B.24010 - \$2,300.000	\$2,300,000.00	Sardinia	10	N A	3rd Quarter 2025
	Total Bridge Projects	\$6,675,000.00				
	B.25050 Total	\$11,001,435.45				
	All Other WBS Element Total	\$46,119,000.00				