

Introduced by Presiding Officer, on request of the County Executive and Legislators Gregory, Browning

**RESOLUTION NO. 979 -2014, APPROPRIATING FUNDS
IN CONNECTION WITH COUNTYWIDE SYSTEM
ENHANCEMENTS TO THE 800 MHZ RADIO
COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM (CP 3241)**

WHEREAS, the Police Commissioner has requested funds for the installation of equipment to improve public safety radio communications in the Babylon (1st Precinct Monopole), Port Jefferson (roof of St. Charles) and Montauk (new site) areas, which have poor or no reception; and

WHEREAS, the installation of nationally recognized P25 compliant equipment will enhance wireless communication in each of these areas; and

WHEREAS, the 800 MHz Radio Communications System is used by numerous departments within the County; and

WHEREAS, these improvements will greatly enhance the ability of Public Safety personnel to communicate more effectively; and

WHEREAS, there are sufficient funds within the 2014 Capital Budget and Program to cover the cost of said purchase under Capital Project No. 3241; and

WHEREAS, the County Legislature, by resolution of even date herewith, has authorized the issuance of \$1,450,000 in Suffolk County Serial Bonds; now, therefore be it

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 471-1994 and as amended by Resolution No. 461-2006 has established a priority ranking system, implemented in the 2014 Adopted Capital Budget and Program, as the basis for funding capital projects such as this project; and

1st **RESOLVED**, that it is determined that this program with a priority ranking of forty (40) is eligible for approval in accordance with the provisions of Resolution No. 471-1994, as revised by Resolution No. 461-2006; and be it further

2nd **RESOLVED**, that the Suffolk County Legislature, as SEQRA Lead Agency, hereby classifies the proposed project as an Unlisted Action under the provisions of Title 6 NYCRR Part 617 and Chapter 450 of the Suffolk County Code; and be it further

3rd **RESOLVED**, that Suffolk County, as SEQRA Lead Agency, hereby finds and determines that the proposed project, pursuant to Title 6 NYCRR Part 617 and Chapter 450 of the Suffolk County Code, will not have significant adverse impacts on the environment as outlined in IR 1335-2014 for the following reasons:

1. The proposed action will not exceed any of the criteria in Section 617.7 of Title 6 NYCRR which sets forth thresholds for determining significant effect on the environment, as demonstrated in the Environmental Assessment Form;

2. The proposal does not appear to significantly threaten any unique or highly valuable environmental or cultural resources as identified in or regulated by the Environmental Conservation Law of the State of New York or the Suffolk County Charter and Code;
3. The parcels do not appear to suffer from any severe Environmental development constraints (limiting soil properties; no high groundwater and no unmanageable slopes);
4. The antennas installed on the 1st Police Precinct Monopole and the St. Charles Hospital roof will be located next to existing antennas;
5. The proposed action at the GATR site in Montauk is compatible with the historic use of the site which served as a cross-Atlantic telecommunication facility during World War II and after;
6. A Stage 1A and Stage 1B Archaeological Survey of the GATR facility has concluded that no significant archaeological resources exist at this site;
7. The former antenna poles at the GATR site serve as a navigation reference point for small offshore boats;
8. The two (2) monopoles installed at the GATR site will replace existing poles on the site;
9. The two (2) monopoles installed at the GATR site will be brown in color, will be unstripped and unlit, will have interior wiring, and will not exceed the 88 foot height of the existing poles on the site; and, be it further

4th **RESOLVED**, that Suffolk County hereby adopts a determination of non-significance (negative declaration) and the Council of Environmental Quality is hereby directed to circulate and file all necessary notices in accordance with this resolution; and be it further

5th **RESOLVED**, that the proceeds of \$1,450,000 in Suffolk County Serial Bonds be and they are hereby appropriated as follows:

<u>Project. No.</u>	<u>JC</u>	<u>Project Title</u>	<u>Amount</u>
525-CAP-3241.310 (Fund 001-Debt Service)	07	Countywide System Enhancements to the 800MHz Radio Communications System	\$300,000
525-CAP-3241.410 (Fund 001-Debt Service)	07	Countywide System Enhancements to the 800MHz Radio Communications System	\$250,000
525-CAP-3241.510 (Fund 001-Debt Service)	07	Countywide System Enhancements to the 800MHz Radio Communications System	\$900,000

DATED: November 18, 2014

APPROVED BY:

/s/ Steven Bellone
County Executive of Suffolk County

Date: December 1, 2014