

Intro. Res. No. 2005-2015

Laid on Table 12/1/2015

Introduced by Presiding Officer, on request of the County Executive and Legislators Krupski, Scheiderman

**RESOLUTION NO. 1091 -2015, AMENDING THE 2015 OPERATING BUDGET AND AMENDING THE 2015 CAPITAL BUDGET AND PROGRAM AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS IN CONNECTION WITH THE SEWER INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR THE SYLVESTER MANOR EDUCATIONAL FARM PILOT NON-PROPRIETARY VEGETATED GRAVEL RECIRCULATING FILTER WATER TREATMENT SYSTEM (CP 8710.328)**

**WHEREAS**, Local Law No. 31-2014, which was approved by voter referendum on November 4, 2014, authorized the County of Suffolk to use excess monies in the Assessment Stabilization Reserve Fund to fund wastewater upgrades; and

**WHEREAS**, the funds for the Sewer Infrastructure Program are maintained within the Sewer Infrastructure Program Fund ("Fund 406"); and

**WHEREAS**, there are sufficient funds within Fund 406 for the implementation of the purposes of Local Law No. 31-2014; and

**WHEREAS**, cesspools were not designed to remove nitrogen from wastewater, and nitrogen discharging from these cesspools is believed to flow into the harbor via groundwater; and

**WHEREAS**, wastewater treatment upgrades are critical because nitrogen discharging from antiquated systems has led to the degradation in the local water quality, and has harmed groundwater, drinking water, wetlands, and surface waters throughout the County; and

**WHEREAS**, the requested funding will support the completion of a nitrogen-reducing pilot non-proprietary vegetated gravel recirculating filter water treatment system at Sylvester Manor Educational Farm previously funded through Resolution No. 377-2015; and

**WHEREAS**, the construction of the proposed nitrogen-reducing wastewater wetland system will significantly reduce nitrogen pollution from current conditions thus supporting groundwater protection and water quality improvement; and

**WHEREAS**, the Sewer Infrastructure Committee evaluated and unanimously approved the Sylvester Manor Wastewater Upgrade request for \$120,000 at its October 8, 2015 meeting for advanced nitrogen removal wastewater treatment; and

**WHEREAS**, the recommended project constitutes a permitted use of Sewer Infrastructure Program funds pursuant to Local Law No. 31-2014; and

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 471-1994, as revised by Resolution No. 461-2006, established a priority ranking system, implemented in the 2015 Adopted Capital Budget and Program, as the basis for funding capital projects such as this project; and

**WHEREAS**, there are insufficient funds available in the 2015 Capital Budget and Program for this program; and

**WHEREAS**, there are sufficient funds available within Fund 406 to support the appropriation of the recommended project; now, therefore be it

**1<sup>st</sup>** **RESOLVED**, that this Legislature, being the lead agency under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (“SEQRA”), Environmental Conservation Law Article 8, hereby finds and determines that this law constitutes a Type II action, pursuant to Section 617.5 (C) (9), (15), and (18) of Title 6 of New York Code of Rules and Regulations (“NYCRR”), and the Legislature has no further responsibilities under SEQRA; and be it further

**2<sup>nd</sup>** **RESOLVED**, that it is hereby determined that this project, with a priority ranking of fifty-three (53) 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

**3<sup>rd</sup>** **RESOLVED**, that sufficient funds exist within Fund 406 Sewer Infrastructure Program Fund component to cover the cost of the County’s share for this project; and be it further

**4<sup>th</sup>** **RESOLVED**, that the Adopted 2015 Capital Budget be and hereby is amended and that the interfund transfer be and hereby is appropriated from Fund 406 Sewer Infrastructure Program Fund as follows:

EXPENDITURES:

| <u>Agency</u> | <u>Fund</u> | <u>Organization</u> | <u>Object</u> | <u>Description</u>              | <u>Amount</u> |
|---------------|-------------|---------------------|---------------|---------------------------------|---------------|
| IFT           | 406         | E525                | 9600          | Transfer to<br>Capital Fund 525 | \$120,000     |

and be it further

**5<sup>th</sup>** **RESOLVED**, that the interfund revenues be and hereby are transferred and accepted in the Capital Fund as follows:

REVENUES:

| <u>Agency</u>                   | <u>Fund</u> | <u>RevSource</u> | <u>Organization</u> | <u>Description</u>        | <u>Amount</u> |
|---------------------------------|-------------|------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|---------------|
| IFT<br>(Ref. 525-CAP-IFTR-R406) | 525         | R406             | E525                | Transfer from<br>Fund 406 | \$120,000     |

and be it further

**6<sup>th</sup>** **RESOLVED**, that the 2015 Capital Budget and Program be and they are hereby amended as follows:

Project No.: 8710.328

Project Title: Sylvester Manor Educational Farm Pilot Non-Proprietary Vegetated Gravel Recirculation Filtered Wastewater Treatment System

|                 | <u>Total<br/>Est'd<br/>Cost</u> | <u>Current<br/>2015<br/>Capital<br/>Budget &amp;<br/>Program</u> | <u>Revised<br/>2015<br/>Capital<br/>Budget &amp;<br/>Program</u> |
|-----------------|---------------------------------|--|--|
| 3. Construction | <u>\$209,000</u>                | \$0  | \$120,000(406)   |
|                 |                                 | <u>\$89,000 (477)</u>  | <u>\$89,000 (477)</u>  |
| TOTAL           | \$209,000                       | \$89,000   | \$209,000  |

and be it further

**7<sup>th</sup>** **RESOLVED**, that the interfund revenues in the amount of \$120,000 be and hereby are appropriated as follows:

| <u>Project No.</u> | <u>JC</u> | <u>Project Title</u>  | <u>Amount</u> |
|--------------------|-----------|---|---------------|
| 525-CAP-8710.328   | 40        | Sylvester Manor Educational<br>Farm Pilot Non-Proprietary<br>Vegetated Gravel Recirculation<br>Filtered Wastewater Treatment System | \$120,000     |

**8<sup>th</sup>** **RESOLVED**, that the County Treasurer and County Comptroller are hereby authorized and directed to accept these interfund revenues and effectuate these interfund transfers, including the associated cash transfers to finance this capital project; and be it further

**9<sup>th</sup>** **RESOLVED**, that Sylvester Manor Educational Farm shall enter into a contractual agreement with Suffolk County to ensure project completeness; and be it further

**10<sup>th</sup>** **RESOLVED**, that nothing contained herein shall be construed as a binding obligation on the part of Suffolk County to continue to provide funding or resources to Sylvester Manor Educational Farm for implementation of this resolution once the funding in this resolution has been exhausted.

DATED: December 15, 2015

APPROVED BY:

/s/ Steven Bellone  
County Executive of Suffolk County

Date: December 18, 2015