

RESOLUTION NO. 125 -2016, APPROPRIATING FUNDS IN CONNECTION WITH MODIFICATIONS FOR COMPLIANCE WITH ADA AT SUFFOLK COUNTY VANDERBILT MUSEUM (CP 7450)

WHEREAS, the Suffolk County Vanderbilt Museum has been placed on the National Register of Historic Places and is the former summer estate of William K. Vanderbilt II and is a major destination that attracts more than 100,000 visitors each year from Suffolk County and from around the world; and

WHEREAS, the Museum's topography and cobblestone drives make it difficult for many visitors with limited mobility to navigate the walkways and roadways; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Museum to purchase trams to safely transport visitors with physical disabilities; and

WHEREAS, several of the Museum's historic buildings have architectural barriers that impede access for many individuals; and

WHEREAS, recent ADA modifications include renovations to public restrooms, installation of a new public restroom in the planetarium, and installation of new entrance doors on the Marine Museum and Stoll Wing; and

WHEREAS, additional funds are required to continue ADA-compliant building modifications at the Museum; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Director of the Suffolk County Vanderbilt Museum has requested construction and equipment funds to improve handicapped accessibility in compliance with the Americans with Disability Act; and

WHEREAS, there are sufficient funds within the 2016 Capital Budget and Program to cover the cost of said request; and

WHEREAS, that this Legislature, by resolution of even date herewith, has authorized the issuance of \$130,000 in Suffolk County Serial Bonds; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 471-1994, as revised by Resolution No. 571-1998, Resolution No. 209-2000 and Resolution No. 461-2006 established the use of a priority ranking system, implemented in the Adopted 2016 Capital Budget, as the basis for funding capital projects such as this project; now, therefore be it

1st RESOLVED, that it is hereby determined that this project, with a priority ranking of fifty-one (51) is eligible for approval in accordance with the provisions of Resolution No. 471-1994 as revised by Resolution No. 571-1998, Resolution No. 209-2000 and Resolution No. 461-2006; and be it further

2nd RESOLVED, that the proceeds of \$130,000 in Suffolk County Serial Bonds be and they hereby are appropriated as follows:

<u>Project Number</u>	<u>Project Title</u>	<u>Amount</u>
525-CAP-7450.315	Modifications to Buildings for Compliance with ADA at Suffolk County Vanderbilt Museum	\$100,000
525-CAP-7450.511 (Fund 001-Debt Service)	Purchase of tram(s)/vehicle(s) for Compliance with ADA at Suffolk County Vanderbilt Museum	\$30,000

and be it further

3rd **RESOLVED**, that the County Department of Public Works is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to take such action as may be necessary, for ADA-compliant modifications to the historic buildings at the Suffolk County Vanderbilt Museum and to purchase vehicles to transport museum visitors; and be it further

4th **RESOLVED**, that this Legislature, being the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) Lead Agency, hereby finds and determines that the adoption of this law is a Type II action, pursuant to Title 6 NYCRR Part 617.5(C) (21), (22) (25) and (27), since it constitutes a local legislative decision in connection with the maintenance, repair, replacement, rehabilitation, reconstruction of a structure or facility, in kind, on the same site, including upgrading buildings to meet building or fire codes and the purchase of furnishings, equipment and supplies, other than land, radioactive material, pesticides, herbicides or other hazardous materials, and adoption of a local legislative decision in connection with the same. As a Type II action, the Legislature has no further responsibilities under SEQRA.

DATED: March 1, 2016

APPROVED BY:

/s/ Steven Bellone
County Executive of Suffolk County

Date: March 4, 2016