

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

RESOLUTION NO. 702 -2015, AMENDING THE ADOPTED 2015 OPERATING BUDGET TO TRANSFER FUNDS FROM FUND 477 WATER QUALITY PROTECTION, AMENDING THE 2015 CAPITAL BUDGET AND PROGRAM, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS IN CONNECTION WITH AQUATIC HABITAT RESTORATION OF VARIOUS SHELLFISH SPECIES AND EELGRASS IN BELLPORT BAY (CP 8710.416)

WHEREAS, there are sufficient funds within the reserved fund balance of Fund 477 for the purpose of Water Quality Protection; and

WHEREAS, the Suffolk County Water Quality Review Committee at the March 13, 2015 meeting, pursuant to Article XII of the SUFFOLK COUNTY CHARTER, has recommended funding this program as an appropriate use of Suffolk County Water Quality Protection and Restoration Program and Land Stewardship funds; and

WHEREAS, the Suffolk County Department of Economic Development and Planning has requested funding for a project that will allow the Town of Brookhaven to implement aquatic habitat restoration of shellfish species and eelgrass in Bellport Bay; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the restoration of three species of shellfish; hard clams, oysters and scallops, and eelgrass on Bellport Bay in eastern Great South Bay; and

WHEREAS, the target species on this project have had their numbers reduced as the result of harmful algal blooms, overfishing and loss of habitat; and

WHEREAS, the project is consistent with the recommendations of the Long Island South Shore Estuary Reserve Comprehensive Management Plan in accordance with the requirements of Article XII of the SUFFOLK COUNTY CHARTER by restoring local habitat for species such as shellfish and eelgrass on Bellport Bay as part of the South Shore Estuary Reserve; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Brookhaven has committed by Town Resolution No. 2015-0284, adopted at the Town Board meeting on April 16, 2015 to accept the grant from the County of Suffolk for this project and to enter into an inter-municipal agreement with the County of Suffolk for this project; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Brookhaven has also committed by said resolution to provide matching project funds of \$72,115.93 or one half the cost of the project, whichever is less; and

WHEREAS, the project be initiated within three years of the date of adoption of this Resolution; and

WHEREAS, funding is requested for this project through the Suffolk County Water Quality Protection and Restoration Program; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 471-1994, as revised by Resolution No. 461-2006, has 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 available Fund 477 funds within the Reserved Fund Balance for Water Quality related projects to support the appropriation of this project within the 2015 Capital Budget and Program; now, therefore be it

1st **RESOLVED**, that the Town of Brookhaven having conducted a coordinated review and being the lead agency under the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA"), Environmental Conservation Law Article 8, hereby finds and determines, in Town Resolution No. 2015-0284 adopted on April 16, 2015, that this proposed action is deemed to be a Type II Action pursuant to 6 NYCRR §617.5(C) (20) and (27); therefore the SEQRA review is complete and no further action needs to be taken by Suffolk County; and be it further

2nd **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

3rd **RESOLVED**, that sufficient funds exist within Fund 477's Water Quality Reserve Fund Balance component to cover the cost of said transfer; and be it further

4th **RESOLVED**, that the Adopted 2015 Operating Budget be and hereby is amended and that the interfund transfer be and hereby is appropriated from Fund 477 Reserve Fund Balance as follows:

EXPENDITURES:

<u>Agency</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Organization</u>	<u>Object</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
IFT	477	E525	9600	Transfer to Capital Fund	\$56,710

and be it further

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

<u>Agency</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Rev Source</u>	<u>Organization</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
IFT (Ref. 525 -CAP-IFTR-R477)	525	R477	E525	Transfer from Water Quality Protection	\$56,710

and be it further

6th **RESOLVED**, that the 2015 Capital Budget and Program be and are hereby amended as follows:

Project No.: 8710.416
Project Title: Town of Brookhaven Aquatic Habitat Restoration of Shellfish Species and Eelgrass in Bellport Bay

	<u>Total Est'd Cost</u>	<u>Current 2015 Capital Budget & Program</u>	<u>Revised 2015 Capital Budget & Program</u>
4. Site/Implementation	<u>\$56,710</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$56,710W</u>
TOTAL	\$56,710	\$0	\$56,710

and be it further

7th **RESOLVED**, that the interfund water quality revenues in the amount of \$56,710 be and hereby is appropriated as follows:

<u>Project Number</u>	<u>JC</u>	<u>Project Title</u>	<u>Amount</u>
525-CAP-8710.416	14	Town of Brookhaven Aquatic Habitat Restoration of Shellfish Species and Eelgrass in Bellport Bay	\$56,710

and be it further

8th **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

9th **RESOLVED**, that the County Executive is hereby authorized to execute an Intermunicipal Agreement with the Town of Brookhaven under Section 119-o of the NEW YORK GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW for this project.

DATED: September 9, 2015

APPROVED BY:

/s/ Steven Bellone
County Executive of Suffolk County

Date: September 21, 2015