

Intro. Res. No. 1231-2020

Laid on Table 3/3/2020

Introduced by Presiding Officer, on request of the County Executive and Legislators Anker, Fleming, Berland, Krupski, Piccirillo, Flotteron, Kennedy, Richberg

RESOLUTION NO. 214 -2020, AMENDING THE ADOPTED 2020 OPERATING BUDGET TO TRANSFER FUNDS FROM FUND 477 WATER QUALITY PROTECTION, AMENDING THE 2020 CAPITAL BUDGET AND PROGRAM, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS IN CONNECTION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES PFAS ANALYTICAL TESTING PROJECT (CP 8710.158)

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 Protection and Restoration Program Review Committee, pursuant to Article XII of the SUFFOLK COUNTY CHARTER has recommended funding for the Department of Health Services PFAS Analytical Testing Project at its February 13, 2020 meeting as an appropriate use of Suffolk County Water Quality Protection and Restoration Program and Land Stewardship Initiative funds; and

WHEREAS, the Suffolk County Department of Health Services (SC DHS) will sponsor the Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) Analytical Testing project within the County of Suffolk in accordance with Article XII of the SUFFOLK COUNTY CHARTER; and

WHEREAS, PFAS are man-made chemicals that were manufactured and used in a variety of industries since the 1940's, including fire-fighting foams and commercial household products such as stain, grease, and water repellent fabrics like Teflon, polishes, waxes, paints and cleaning products; and

WHEREAS, Sampling performed by SCDHS since 2016 shows detection of PFAS in over 500 private wells with over 150 exceeding the proposed NYS drinking water standards of 10 parts per trillion (ppt) for two particular PFAS compounds (PFOS, PFOA), with concentrations ranging up to 1,880 ppt; and

WHEREAS, SCDHS has also detected PFOS/PFOA in 76 monitoring wells with concentrations ranging up to >15,000 ppt; and

WHEREAS, this project will contract laboratory services to provide sample analysis of PFAS for samples collected from surveillance monitoring from many small public water supply systems, private wells, and groundwater and surface water monitoring in areas of potential Concern, in order to identify and help mitigate public exposure as necessary; and

WHEREAS, this project will allow Suffolk County to detect and identify PFOS/PFOA in ground/surface waters and to aim to determine appropriate means of remediation/protection; and

WHEREAS, the project is consistent with several specific recommendations of the draft Peconic Estuary Program's Comprehensive Management Plan (CCMP) 2020 Clean Waters Goal section (Objective F) to reduce current and future inputs of toxics, pathogens, and plastics into groundwater and surface waters, and minimize their impacts, and the CCMP indicates that PFOS and PFOA have been detected in Peconic groundwater systems; and

WHEREAS, the project will be initiated within one year of the date of adoption of this Resolution; and

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

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

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 471-1994, as revised by Resolution No. 461-2006, has established a priority ranking system, implemented in the 2020 Adopted Capital Budget and Program, as the basis for funding capital projects such as this project; and

WHEREAS, there are sufficient funds available in Fund 477 within the Reserved Fund Balance for Water Quality related projects to support the appropriation of this project within the 2020 Capital Budget and Program; now, therefore be it

1st **RESOLVED**, that Suffolk County, being the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) Lead Agency hereby finds and determines that the adoption of this resolution constitutes a Type II Action pursuant to Title 6 NYCRR Part 617.5(C)(24)(26)(27)(33) as this legislative decision involves information collection including basic data collection and research, water quality and pollution studies, surveys, subsurface investigations as well as concurrent environmental, engineering, economic, feasibility and other studies and preliminary planning and budgetary processes necessary to the formulation of a proposal for action, provided those activities do not commit the agency to commence, engage in or approve such action. As such, this Legislature has no further responsibilities under SEQRA; and be it further

2nd **RESOLVED**, that it is hereby determined that this project, with a priority ranking of seventy-six (76) 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 the County's share for this project; and be it further

4th **RESOLVED**, that the Adopted 2020 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>Fund</u>	<u>Dept</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Object</u>	<u>Activity</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
477	IFT	DE	E525	9600	0000	Transfer to Capital Fund	\$250,000

and be it further

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

REVENUES:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Dept</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Group</u>	<u>Rev Source</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
525	CAP	X	IFTR	0000	R477	Transfer from Water Quality Protection	\$250,000

and be it further

6th **RESOLVED**, that the 2020 Capital Budget and Program be and they are hereby amended as follows:

Project No.: 8710.158
 Project Title: Department of Health Services PFAS Analytical Testing

	<u>Total Est'd Cost</u>	<u>Current 2020 Capital Budget & Program</u>	<u>Revised 2020 Capital Budget & Program</u>
1. Planning	\$250,000	\$0	\$250,000 W
TOTAL	\$250,000	\$0	\$250,000

and be it further

7th **RESOLVED**, that these Water Quality proceeds in the amount of \$250,000 be and hereby is appropriated as follows:

<u>Project No.</u>	<u>Project Title</u>	<u>Amount</u>
525-CAP-8710.158	PFAS Analytical Testing	\$250,000

and be it further

8th **RESOLVED**, that the County Executive or designee, and the Suffolk County Department of Health Services, with the approval of the County Attorney, are hereby authorized and empowered to take such actions and execute such documents as may be necessary or desirable, consistent with the purposes and intent of the foregoing resolution.

DATED: March 17, 2020

APPROVED BY:

/s/ Dennis M. Cohen
 Chief Deputy County Executive of Suffolk County

Date: April 1, 2020