

Intro. Res. No. 1720-2021

Laid on Table 9/9/2021

Introduced by Presiding Officer, on request of the County Executive and Legislators Hahn, Fleming, Mazzarella, Caracappa, Anker

RESOLUTION NO. 803-2021, AMENDING THE ADOPTED 2021 OPERATING BUDGET TO TRANSFER FUNDS FROM FUND 477 WATER QUALITY PROTECTION, AMENDING THE 2021 CAPITAL BUDGET AND PROGRAM, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS IN CONNECTION WITH REDUCING TOXIC DISCHARGES FOR THE PROTECTION OF GROUND WATER (CP 8710.162)

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 Reducing Toxic Discharges for the Protection of Ground Water project at its June 23, 2021 meeting as an appropriate use of Suffolk County Water Quality Protection and Restoration Program and Land Stewardship Initiative funds; and

WHEREAS, Suffolk County Department of Health Services (SCDHS), will sponsor the Reducing Toxic Discharges for the Protection of Ground Water project within the County of Suffolk in accordance with Article XII of the SUFFOLK COUNTY CHARTER; and

WHEREAS, SCDHS Division of Environmental Quality protects environmental health including soils, groundwater, drinking water, and surface waters through investigation of potential discharges of industrial waste, illegal dumping, and emerging contaminants; and

WHEREAS, discharges of toxic and/or hazardous chemicals occur in waste streams from industrial and commercial businesses in Suffolk County; and

WHEREAS, investigations involving illegal dumping of C&D debris, and emerging compounds, such as per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS), are necessary as these contaminants have impacted public and private drinking water wells in Suffolk County; and

WHEREAS, identification and removal of pollutants discharged into the environment results in the protection of the groundwater aquifer, drinking water, and surface waters; and

WHEREAS, this project will provide necessary resources for contracted lab analysis to support a pilot program to actively investigate a variety of sites for a broader suite of contaminants in industrial samples, such as PFAS; 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. 1027-2020, established the use of a new priority capital ranking system, effective January 1, 2021, as the basis for funding capital projects such as this project and as required, an updated capital project ranking form was completed for 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 2021 Capital Budget and Program; now, therefore be it

1st **RESOLVED**, that the Suffolk County Department of Public Works, being the lead agency under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (“SEQRA”), Environmental Conservation Law Article 8, hereby finds and determines, as recommended in CEQ Resolution 26-2018 adopted on August 15, 2018, that this proposed action pursuant to the provisions of 6NYCRR Part 617.7 is deemed to be a Unlisted Action and adopts a Negative Declaration. 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-eight (58) is eligible for approval in accordance with the provisions of Resolution No. 1027-2020; 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 2021 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	\$150,000

Revenues:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Budget FY</u>	<u>Fiscal Yr</u>	<u>Dept</u>	<u>Approp Unit</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Group</u>	<u>Rev Source</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
525	9999	2021	CAP	X	IFTR	0000	R477	Transfer from Water Quality	\$150,000

and be it further

5th **RESOLVED**, that the 2021 Capital Budget and Program be and they are hereby amended as follows:

Project No.: 8710.162
 Project Title: Reducing Toxic Discharges for the Protection of Ground Water

	<u>Total Est'd Cost</u>	<u>Current 2021 Capital Budget & Program</u>	<u>Revised 2021 Capital Budget & Program</u>
1. Planning	<u>\$150,000</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$150,000</u> W
TOTAL	\$150,000	\$0	\$150,000

and be it further

6th **RESOLVED**, that these Water Quality proceeds in the amount of \$150,000 be and hereby is appropriated as follows:

<u>Project Number</u>	<u>Project Title</u>	<u>Amount</u>
525-CAP-8710.162	Reducing Toxic Discharges for the Protection of Ground Water	\$150,000

and be it further

7th **RESOLVED**, that the County Comptroller is hereby authorized and directed to accept these interfund revenues and effectuate these interfund transfers, including the associated cash transfers to finance this capital project.

DATED: October 5, 2021

APPROVED BY:

/s/ Lisa Black
 Chief Deputy County Executive of Suffolk County

Date: October 20, 2021