

# TOWN OF WEST SENECA



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February 28, 2013

Honorable Town Board  
Town of West Seneca

Re: **Efficiency Grant for Sewer District Consolidation**

Honorable Board Members,

The Town & the Erie County Division of Sewerage Management, has determined that it may be in the best interest of taxpayers, for Erie County to take over management of the sanitary sewer infrastructure in the Town of West Seneca.

In conjunction with the Erie County Division of Sewerage Management, we are seeking approval of 10%, \$3,000.00 cash match to study the Town's sanitary sewer system in an effort to consider consolidation and transfer of ownership to Erie County Division of Sewerage Management.

Respectfully submitted,

Steven R. Tanner

Town Engineer

cc: file TB

Project

**Town of West Seneca Local Government Efficiency Grant Resolution for Planning Study of Sewer District Consolidation with the Erie County Division of Sewerage Management**

WHEREAS: the Town of West Seneca, in collaboration with the Erie County Division of Sewerage Management, seeks planning grant monies in an amount not to exceed \$27,000 through the Local Government Efficiency Program to study the Town's sanitary sewer system in an effort to consider consolidation and transfer of ownership to Erie County Division of Sewerage Management;

WHEREAS: the Town of West Seneca, in collaboration with the Erie County Division of Sewerage Management, is committed to reducing the cost of municipal services, while remaining committed to increasing the efficiencies of operating a sewage treatment system;

WHEREAS: the Town of West Seneca, in collaboration with the Erie County Division of Sewerage Management, has determined that it may be in the best interest of the Town of West Seneca taxpayers to have the Erie County Division of Sewerage Management take over sanitary sewer infrastructure in the Town of West Seneca, thereby eliminating all future involvement and responsibility of the Town with respect to sanitary sewer facilities within the Town of West Seneca;

WHEREAS: the Town of West Seneca, in collaboration with the Erie County Division of Sewerage Management, is seeking Local Government Efficiency Grant funds to study this consolidation in order to achieve municipal cost savings and property tax relief;

WHEREAS: the Town of West Seneca, in collaboration with the Erie County Division of Sewerage Management, will share in the decision-making processes related to this consolidation study and consideration of subsequent ownership transfer;

WHEREAS: the Town of West Seneca will serve as the lead agency for the purposes of securing and administering this grant; and

WHEREAS: the Town of West Seneca will provide the required 10% cash match of \$3,000 required by this grant;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Town of West Seneca Supervisor Sheila M. Meegan act as the Lead Applicant Contact Person to represent the Town of West Seneca in all matters related to this grant, and to sign and if funded, execute, the grant; its partner, the Erie County Division of Sewerage Management designates \_\_\_\_\_ as its representative to execute the Erie County Division of Sewerage Management's administrative processes related to the 2012-2013 Local Government Efficiency Grant with the Town of West Seneca and the New York State Department of State to study the possible consolidation and transfer of ownership of the Town's sanitary sewer system to the Erie County Division of Sewerage Management.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Connie Miner, Town of West Seneca Grants Consultant, be directed to prepare and submit a Local Government Efficiency Grant for the purpose of funding this planning study.