

RESOLUTION NO. 303

AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH/HEALTH RESEARCH, INC. REGARDING COVID-19 GRANT FUNDING AND AMENDING THE 2020 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH BUDGET

Introduced: 9/14/20

By Messrs. A. Joyce, Feeney, Beston, Ms. Chapman, Messrs. Clay, Cleary, Commisso, Ms. Cunningham, Messrs. Efekoro, Ethier, Fein, Kuhn, Ms. Lekakis, Mr. Mayo, Mss. McLaughlin, McLean Lane, Messrs. Miller, O'Brien, Peter, Ms. Plotsky, Messrs. Reidy, Reinhardt, Ricard, Simpson, Ward and Ms. Willingham:

WHEREAS, The Commissioner of the Albany County Department of Health has indicated that the New York State Department of Health/Health Research, Inc. (NYSDOH/HRI), has made grant funding available in an amount not to exceed \$830,466 for COVID-19 response activities for a term commencing July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2022, and

WHEREAS, The Commissioner indicated these funds will be used to increase health department staff in order to provide rapid and complete case investigations by creating four positions, three positions as case investigators and one position for community education regarding mask and social distancing compliance, and

WHEREAS, The Commissioner further requested a budget amendment to increase the overtime line which is currently negative and to increase equipment/supply lines for the new employees, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature that the County Executive is authorized to enter into an agreement with the New York State Department of Health/Health Research, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$830,466 for COVID-19 response activities for a term commencing July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2022, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the 2020 Department of Health Budget is amended as follows:

Increase Revenue Account A3343 COVID19 Epidemiology by \$124,382

Decrease Appropriation Account A4010.4 by \$50,000 by decreasing Line Item 4010 4 4046 Fees for Services by \$50,000

Increase Appropriation Account A4010.1 by \$161,182 by increasing the following line items:

Create and increase Line Item A4010 1 2120 001 Registered Nurse II by \$12,838 with an annual salary of \$56,700

Create and increase Line Item A4010 1 2802 002 Public Health Educator by \$12,328 with an annual salary of \$54,447

Create and increase Line Item A4010 1 3192 002 Disease Intervention Specialist II by \$12,967 with an annual salary of \$57,269

Create and increase Line Item A4010 1 3192 003 Disease Intervention Specialist II by \$13,049 with an annual salary of \$57,629

Increase Line Item A4010 1 9982 Overtime by \$110,000

Increase Appropriation Account A4010.2 by \$13,200 by increasing the following line items:

Increase Line Item A4010 2 2001 Office Equipment by \$6,000

Increase Line Item A4010 2 2050 Computer Equipment by \$7,200

and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Attorney is authorized to approve said agreement as to form and content, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the County Legislature is directed to forward certified copies of this resolution to the appropriate County Officials.

Adopted by unanimous vote – 9/14/20