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December 6, 2022

Hon. Andrew Joyce, Chairman  
Albany County Legislature  
112 State Street, Rm. 710  
Albany, NY 12207

Dear Chairman Joyce:

The Department of Public Works is requesting the Legislature's approval to enter into an amendment to agreement, with Bette and Cring, LLC for Construction of the Albany County Rail Trail over New Scotland Road (NY Route 85) Bridge Replacement Project.

In March, 2022, the County Purchasing Agent received two (2) bids for this project. Our engineering staff along with the County's hired Consultant reviewed the bids and recommended the award of this contract to the low bidder, Bette and Cring, LLC. The full bid amount was \$3,280,544.00, which covered all of the work described in the RFB.

There was not enough money in the 2022 Capital Plan at that time to pay the full bid amount, so, the contract was awarded at an adjusted base contract amount of \$2,696,344.00 (Resolution No. 147 for 2022), which excluded compensation for the work described in the RFB relating to wall refacing along Route 85; it was anticipated that an amendment to agreement for that work would be awarded to Bette and Cring later in time, contingent upon approval of the County's 2023 Capital Plan, with compensation in an amount equal to the difference between its full bid amount and the amount approved pursuant to Res. No. 147 for 2022.

The County's 2023 Capital Plan has since been approved. Accordingly, DPW is requesting approval to award an amendment to agreement to Bette & Cring for the remaining work related to wall resurfacing, in an amount equal to \$584,200.00.

If there are any questions or further information is needed, please feel free to contact my office.

Sincerely,

Lisa M. Ramundo  
Commissioner

cc: Dennis Feeney, Majority Leader  
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