

**RESOLUTION NO. 230**

**AMENDING THE 2018 BUDGET AND AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS FROM THE ALBANY COUNTY LEGISLATURE'S COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT LINE REGARDING MODERNIZATION OF THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE**

Introduced: 5/14/18

By: Ms. Lekakis, Messrs. A. Joyce, Grimm, Ms. Chapman, Messrs. Clenahan, Dawson, Fein, O'Brien, Ms. Plotsky, Mr. Reinhardt, Mss. Willingham, Cunningham, Messrs. Domalewicz, Higgins R. Joyce, Drake and Burgdorf:

WHEREAS, This resolution shall be known as the "Legislative Modernization Resolution"

WHEREAS, The County Legislature seeks to perform its duties in the most efficient manner possible and make county government as transparent as possible to better serve their constituents, and

WHEREAS, Cutting-edge technology offers the County Legislature enormous tools to meet those goals if such technology is utilized in an effective and affordable manner, and

WHEREAS, The provision of duplicate paper copies is detrimental to the environment, and the creation and management of such paper copies for committee and legislature meetings is a poor use of staff time, and

WHEREAS, Albany County is already using Granicus software to modernize their operations for the entirety of the Request for Legislative Approval (RLA) process excluding the Legislature, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the 2018 Albany County Budget is amended as follows:

Decrease Appropriation Account A1990 Line Item 44999 Misc Contractual Expense by \$57,516.47

Increase Appropriation Account A1010 Line Item 22050 Communications Equipment by \$57,516.47

and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the existing Granicus contract be modified to include the purchase of the "VoteCast" module which will allow for remote document access, a

public and searchable legislative database, electronic voting, and the rapid creation of easily digestible agendas, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That \$91,328.47 from the Legislature's Communications Equipment line (A 1010 22050) is hereby authorized to purchase the needed equipment, software, and hardware to compliment the software and pay the annual subscription fee of the Granicus VoteCast System, 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.

*Referred to Law and Audit and Finance Committees – 5/14/18*

*Favorable Recommendation Audit and Finance Committee – 5/30/18*

*On roll call vote, the following voted in favor: Messrs., Bullock, Burgdorf, Ms. Chapman, Messrs. Clay, Clenahan, Commisso, Ms. Cunningham, Messrs. Dawson, Domalewicz, Drake, Ethier, Feeney, Fein, Grimm, Higgins, A. Joyce, R. Joyce, Ms. Lekakis, Messrs. Mauriello, Mayo, Mss. McKnight, McLean Lane, Messrs. Mendick, Miller, O'Brien, Ms. Plotsky, Messrs. Reinhardt, Signoracci, Simpson, Smith, Stevens, Touchette, Tunny, Ward and Ms. Willingham - 34*

*Those opposed: Messrs. Beston, Crouse, Hogan and Ms. Lockart - 4*

*Ms. McKnight abstained.*

*Resolution was adopted – 6/11/18*