

24-05-03

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF \$135,558.81 FOR
INSTALLATION OF ROOFTOP SOLAR AND E/V CHARGING STATIONS AT
SACANDAGA FIELD OFFICE**

WHEREAS, the Regulating District continues to take important steps to reduce energy costs and operate in a more responsible and sustainable way; and

WHEREAS, the New York State has adopted aggressive clean energy goals through the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act passed in 2019, which calls for 70% of the electricity used in the State to come from renewable resources by 2030; and

WHEREAS, implementation of renewable energy technology not only serves to further the State's renewable energy goals, but can also reduce operating costs; and

WHEREAS, the Office of General Services (OGS) has awarded a statewide contract for Photovoltaic Systems and Installation Services; and

WHEREAS, OGS prescribes procedures for authorized users, including public authorities, utilizing this contract; and

WHEREAS, following these procedures, the Regulating District issued a mini-bid project description to contractors identified for Region 3, Zone F, of OGS Group 05302, soliciting proposals for electrical vehicle (EV) charging at the Sacandaga Field Office (SFO) and the installation of rooftop solar on the maintenance building; and

WHEREAS, the Regulating District received a single proposal from Solar Liberty of Buffalo, NY; and

WHEREAS, the initial costs to the Regulating District quoted by Solar Liberty would be \$75,549.41 and \$60,009.40 for rooftop solar installation and EV charging, respectively, for a total of \$135,558.81; and

WHEREAS, available incentives and rebates such as the 30% federal "direct pay" tax credit and National Grid "Charge Ready" rebate may further reduce net cost to \$46,504.59 and \$38,167.35 for rooftop solar installation and EV charging, respectively, for a total net cost of \$84,671.94; and

WHEREAS, the estimated time to recapture the expense of rooftop solar installation is 11 years;


NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board authorizes the Executive Director to retain Solar Liberty for the installation of rooftop solar and EV charging stations at SFO through the use of statewide contract for Photovoltaic Systems and Installation Services, Group 05302; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the expenditure of \$135,558.81 is authorized for these purposes; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board does hereby authorize the following transfer in the Fiscal Year 2023-24 budget:

Account Number	Account Name	Increase	Decrease
5260-0200	Capital Improvements	\$135,559	
5900-0200	Property Taxes		\$135,559

Approved as to form:



Robert P. Leslie
General Counsel

Motion was made by Ms. Allen and seconded by Mr. Hayes that the Resolution be approved.

Present and voting:

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>AYE</u>	<u>NOE</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>
Mr. Finkle.....	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Mr. Hayes.....	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Mr. DeWitt.....	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Mr. Bird.....	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Mr. Candido.....	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Mr. Reagan.....	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Ms. Allen.....	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>