ERIE COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY



INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

September 7, 2021

To: Jerome D. Schad, Chair

Peggy A. LaGree, Vice Chair Michele M. Iannello, Treasurer

From: Michael J. Quinn, Senior Distribution Engineer

Subject: Borden Road Watermain Improvements – Potential Cooperative Agreement

ECWA Project No. 202100222

Representatives from the Erie County Department of Public Works, Division of Highways, recently contacted me about a project they have scheduled for the Spring of 2022. They are planning a full rehabilitation of Borden Road from Strasmer Road north to Rowley Road (approximately 4,800 LF) in the Town of Cheektowaga and are inquiring if the Authority would be interested in replacing the waterlines in this area as part of this project. This project was originally intended to be completed in 2024 however the Erie County Division of Sewerage Management identified the need to also replace a failing sanitary sewer forcemain in the same corridor prompting the schedule change.

Within the project limits there is a 1,400 linear foot section of watermain on Borden from Como Park Boulevard to Zurbrick Road was installed in 1950 and has been prone to failure in the past, therefore, this would be an opportune time to replace it. By replacing the watermain as part of the road rehabilitation project, the Authority would not need to pay for any of the restoration costs. The benefits of the project are threefold. First, a section of pipe that is approaching 75 years old will be replaced, the replacement will be less costly than a standalone project and thirdly, three critical components of infrastructure, water main, sanitary sewer, and the road will be addressed in a single project with significantly less disruption to the public.

The County has a consultant onboard for the design work of the road and sewer rehabilitation, the Authority would need to pay for the design and installation of the waterline. Due to the timing of the project, the Authority would need to enter into a Cooperative Agreement with the Erie County in order to meet the project schedule.

If there are no objections, I will contact the County and start coordinating a Cooperative Agreement.

MJQ:jmf cc: R.Stoll R.Kowalski S.Denzler HWEC-103-2101