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ERIE COUNTY GAMING REVENUE AUTHORITY

**EXECUTIVE
DIRECTOR'S
REPORT
FOR
JANUARY
2021**

NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT

County of Erie -
Erie Summer Jobs and More (JAM) Program

State of Pennsylvania :

: S.S.

County of Erie :

I state that I am Chief Executive Officer of GECAC and that I am authorized
(TITLE) (NAME OF FIRM)
to make this affidavit on behalf of my firm and its owner, directors and officers. I
am the person responsible in my firm for price (s) and the amount of this RFP.

I state that:

1. The price (s) and amount of RFP have been arrived at independently and without consolation, communication or agreement with any other contractor, vendor or potential vendor.
2. Neither the price (s) nor the amount of this RFP and neither the approximate price (s) nor approximate amount of this RFP, have been disclosed to any other firm or person who is vendor or potential vendor and they will not be disclosed before RFP opening.
3. No attempt has been made or will be made to induce any firm or person to refrain from responding on this contract or to submit a RFP higher than this RFP or to submit any intentionally high or noncompetitive or other form of complementary RFP.
4. The RFP of my firm is made in good faith and not pursuant to any agreement or discussion with or inducement from any firm or person to submit a complementary or other noncompetitive RFP.
5. GECAC, its affiliates, subsidiaries, officers, directors and
(NAME OF FIRM)
employees are not currently under investigation by any governmental agency and have not in the law four years been convicted or found liable for any act prohibited by State or Federal Law in jurisdiction, involving conspiracy or collusion with respect to responding on any public contract except as follows:

RFP # 42 OF 2020

I state that GECAC understands and acknowledges that
(NAME OF FIRM)

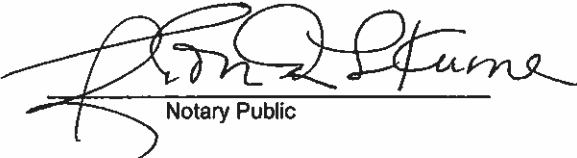
the above representations are material and important and will be relied on by the County of Erie in awarding the contract (s) for which this RFP is submitted. I understand and my firm understands that misstatement in this affidavit is and shall be treated as fraudulent concealment from the County of Erie of the true facts relating to the submission of RFPs for this contract.


NAME

Chief Executive Officer
COMPANY POSITION

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
County of Erie

Signed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me
on December 17, 2020
by Danny J. Jones


Notary Public

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania - Notary Seal
Rhonda L. Kumer, Notary Public
Erie County
My commission expires October 8, 2024
Commission number 1375496
Member, Pennsylvania Association of Notaries

RFP FORM

Having carefully studied the preceding Specification and being thoroughly familiar with all requirements set forth herein, all attendant conditions, the undersigned agrees to supply all services and materials required therein for the following sum (s):

Total Year 1 \$ 388,495 (150 students); \$428,700 (175 students); \$478,545 (200 students)

Total Year 2 \$ 389,600 (150 students); \$429,803 (175 students); \$481,990 (200 students)

Optional Year 3 \$ 392,741 (150 students); \$432,945 (175 students); \$485,476 (200 students)

Optional Year 4 \$ \$395,837 (150 students); \$436,041 (175 students); \$488,914 (200 students)

The undersigned further agrees to sign the contract within seven (7) days of the date of the Purchase Order issued by the County of Erie. The undersigned acknowledges the right of the County of Erie to reject any or all RFPs and to waive any defects in form.

I (we) certify that this RFP was prepared independently and without collusion with any known vendors.

Company Name: Greater Erie Community Action Committee

Contact Name: Danny J. Jones, CEO

Address: 18 West Ninth Street

Erie, PA 16501

Phone: 814.870.5415


Fax: 814.456.0161

Email: djones@gecac.org

The undersigned acknowledges receipt of the addenda, if any:

Addendum No. _____, dated _____

Addendum No. _____, dated _____

 12/17/2020

2021 Erie County Council Committees & Liaison Appointments

Carl J. Anderson, III – Chairman Kim Clear – Vice Chairwoman

Finance Committee

Kim Clear, Chair
Scott R. Rastetter, Vice Chair

Personnel Committee

Mary Rennie, Chair
Brian Shank, Vice Chair

Compensation

Committee

Mary Rennie, Chair
Kim Clear
Ellen Schauerman

Pleasant Ridge Manor

Board of Trustees

Carl Anderson, III, Chair
Kim Clear, Vice Chair
Mary Rennie
André R. Horton
Brian Shank
Ellen Schauerman
Scott R. Rastetter



Erie County Retirement Board

Carl Anderson, III, Chair
Kim Clear
André R. Horton
Kyle Foust
Jim Sparber

COVID Impact & Economic Revitalization Committee

Kim Clear, Co-Chair
Brian Shank
Mary Rennie

Erie County Board of Elections

TBD upon next Meeting

2021 Erie County Council Liaison Appointments

Department

Airport Authority
Assessment Office
Children & Youth
City of Erie
Court & Court Related Offices
Council of Governments (COG)
Edmund L. Thomas Center
Erie Co. Community College
Erie Co. Conservation District
Erie Co. Conv. Ctr. Authority
Erie Co. Coop. Extension
Erie Co. Dept. of Corrections
Erie Co. Dept. of Drug & Alcohol
Erie Co. Domestic Relations Office
Erie Co. Gaming Revenue Authority
Erie Co. General Authority
Erie Co. Health Department
Erie Co. Human Services Dept.
ECRDA /All Related Boards
Erie Co. Land Bank
Erie Co. Library System
Erie Co. Planning Dept.
Erie Co. Sheriff's Dept.
Erie County Veterans Affairs Dept.
Erie Metropolitan Transit Authority
Erie Regional Chamber & Growth Ptosp.
Erie Western PA Port Authority
Human Relations Commission
Library Foundation
Local Emergency Planning Comm.
Millcreek Township
NW Regional Planning Commission
PRM/Workers Comp. Board
Public Defender
Public Safety
Wesleyville Borough
VisitErie
NW PA Job Connect (Formerly WIB)

Department Head

Derek Martin
Scott Maas
Lana Rees
Jim Winarski
Hon. Joseph Walsh, III
Jessica Horan-Kunco
Gerald Battle
Ron DiNicola
Thomas McClure
Casey Wells
Craig Conforti, CRM
Kevin Sutter
Dave Sanner
Carlo Fachetti
Perry Wood
Tina Mengine
Melissa Lyon
John DiMattio
Tina Mengine
Honey Stempka
Blane Dessy
Honey Stempka
John Loomis, Sheriff
Thaddeus Plasczynski
Jeremy Peterson
James Grunke
David J. Zimmer III
Tony Logue
Blane Dessy

N/A
Basil Huffman
Bob Smith
Patricia Kennedy
John Grappy
N/A
John Oliver
James Decker, Board Chair

Council Liaison

Kim Clear
Ellen Schauerman
Scott R. Rastetter
Carl Anderson, III
André R. Horton
Mary Rennie
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Scott R. Rastetter

Alternate

Ellen Schauerman
Kim Clear
Brian Shank
Mary Rennie
Carl Anderson, III
Brian Shank/Kim Clear
Brian Shank
Kim Clear/ André R. Horton
Mary Rennie
Kim Clear
Scott R. Rastetter
André R. Horton
Ellen Schauerman
Brian Shank
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January 6, 2021

Mr. Perry Wood
Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority
5370 Fryling Rd., Ste. 201
Erie, PA 16510

RE: 2021 Rates – General Solicitor

Dear Mr. Wood:

Please know that we value our relationship with you, and look forward to continuing to serve you throughout 2021. We at the Knox Firm appreciate the public service that you provide, and, as such, we have traditionally charged our public sector clients a deeply discounted rate for legal services. We are pleased to be able to continue to offer our deeply discounted rates in 2021, and, starting on January 1, 2021 our rate for legal services will be \$190 per hour for attorneys and \$105 an hour for paralegals. This is a 3% increase from last year, reflects a small increase in our hourly fee, and represents a significant discount from my standard private sector rates.

Thank you for allowing us to continue to serve you. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions. I remain,

Very truly yours,

KNOX McLAUGHLIN GORNALL &
SENNETT, P.C.

By: 
Timothy S. Wachter

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November 2020

Meetings with Executive Director

Ongoing Social Media Management

Ongoing Consulting

November/December Comms

IMPLEMENTED 2020 Renaissance Block Awards | PAPER RELEASE

- Case study for website of Corry success story
- DRAFTED AND DISRIBUTED Press Release
- IMPLEMENTED Media Outreach
- CREATED 3 Social Media Graphics

IMPLEMENTED | SOCIAL

- 10 posts throughout November
- 4 Posts in December so far

IN PROGRESSS

2019/20 Anchor Building | PAPER RELEASE

- DRAFT & DISTRIBUTE Press Release
- MEDIA Outreach
- DATE: TBD
- PARTNER: DNE - Downtown North East
- CONCEPTUALIZE & DESIGN Social Media Graphics

ERIE COUNTY RENAISSANCE BLOCK PROGRAM Can Help Revitalize your Home & Neighborhood

**"This is a
real thing.**

I just hope anyone who wants to take
advantage of these grants makes the decision to do so.
I'd like to see as many people as possible benefit from this."

Linda Brown, homeowner

**Ready to
Revitalize
your Block?**

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**can help you
organize an
application**



ECGRA's Renaissance Block Program awards grants to help revitalize Erie County neighborhoods through a block-by-block strategy that targets aging or neglected areas where neighbors are organized and willing to work together.

The Erie County Renaissance Block Program awards up to \$150,000 per application or up to \$5,000 awarded per property. It is a matching program that helps finance eligible exterior repairs, permanent improvements, and streetscapes. Funds can also be used to improve publicly owned property that is targeted to improve the block's visual appearance.



If you would like to learn how your home and neighborhood can organize an Erie County Renaissance Block Program application, please contact ECGRA.
814-897-2690 or tmichali@ecgra.org



Economic Impact & COVID Revitalization Committee Meeting

Saturday, January 9, 2021
9:00 a.m.

ZOOM Information

Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82235255122?pwd=eHZRb3dKK0dDbFFZTWNOcTVBVTd0UT09>

Meeting ID: 822 3525 5122

Passcode: 398823

AGENDA

1. Welcome & Introductions
2. The Committee's Meeting Frequency
3. The Committee's Goals
4. Research & Expert Testimony
5. Timetable Discussion
6. Outcomes
7. Public Hearings & District Meetings
8. Good of the Order



Economic Impact & COVID Revitalization Committee Meeting

Wednesday, January 13, 2021
1:00 p.m.

ZOOM Information

Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9150362840>

Meeting ID: 915 036 2840

Passcode: not required

AGENDA

1. Welcome & Introduce New Members
2. Review of Committee Goals
3. Framework for Expert Testimony
4. Council District Listening Sessions



Economic Impact & COVID Revitalization Committee Meeting

Friday, January 15, 2021
2:00 p.m.

ZOOM Information

Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86022639973?pwd=WVh5Vld6K2UxSEUzdmdUUTB5aXhQUT09>

Meeting ID: 860 2263 9973

Passcode: 495136

AGENDA

1. Guest Expert Dr. Ken Louie
2. Update on Committee Goals
3. Recruitment of Expert Testimony
4. Listening Sessions

Union City offers funds for building upgrades

Valerie Myers
USA TODAY NETWORK

UNION CITY — Union City's downtown will get another boost, and maybe new businesses and residents, from funding now available to improve or repurpose buildings.

Union City Borough is offering the owners of 19 downtown buildings up to \$2,000 in matching funds for building improvements.

The initiative is the latest in a series of projects to improve the borough's Main Street commercial district.

The matching grants follow a year-long structural analysis of the buildings by CityStudio of Pittsburgh. The firm was hired to assess the condition of each of the 19 buildings and provide suggestions to improve them.

The \$76,000 cost was funded by grants from the Erie Community Foundation and Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority.

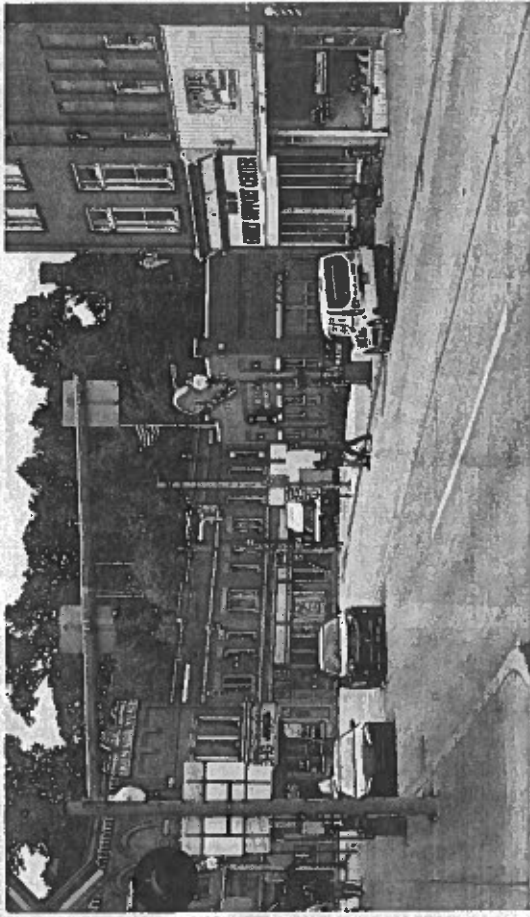
Work tailored to each building generally included structural, electrical, plumbing and safety assessments and suggestions to improve building facades and use vacant or under-used upper floors.

"Union City has a lot of great buildings, beautiful buildings with historic and architectural detailing," CityStudio's Ryan England, who oversaw the analysis, said in a statement. "There are also a lot of under-used spaces — most second floors are vacant, and many of these spaces can be renovated and put to use. Our plans and reports will be a tool to building owners to understand the condition and potential of their spaces."

Each building owner received a report on the building's condition, including photographs and descriptions of findings and suggestions for improvements.

The reports also provided suggestions and potential designs to generate additional revenues from upper floors.

"Often time, it's hard for an owner to imagine what their vacant building or second floor can be used for," England said. "These 'white box' plans explore uses for almost half of the vacant space downtown. They can be used as the start of a renovation project, or to market space for rent by a tenant who would



Downtown Union City, looking south on South Main Street, is shown in this September 2018 photo. CHRISTOPHER MILLETTE/ERIE TIMES-NEWS FILE PHOTO

do the renovation themselves."

The analyses can help building owners prioritize needs, Union City Borough Secretary Cindy Wells said in a statement. "The structural assessments provide the property owners with potential issues that may need to be addressed sooner rather than later," Wells said. "It doesn't make sense to fix up the front of the building if the priority should be making it structurally stable."

Building owners can apply for matching grants by submitting proposals and cost estimates by Feb. 19.

The borough has \$42,500 in matching funds available from the Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority's Mission Main Street program. If requests exceed \$42,500, they will be evaluated and prioritized for funding, Wells said.

Nonprofit Union City Pride awarded a \$258,000 grant for multiple downtown projects from the Erie Community Foundation in 2019. Of that, \$38,000 was targeted for the downtown structural analysis. ECGRA provided

another \$38,000 for the work.

CityStudio previously provided a historic preservation plan for Union City's downtown. That work, completed in 2019, was funded by a \$25,000 grant from the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission and matching funds from Union City Borough, Union City Community Foundation and EC-
GRA.

Other initiatives to boost Union City's commercial district include plans to construct a "gateway" at Main and High streets.

A concrete plaza enclosed by low brick walls will be built on the site of the former Union City Diner. Next to the plaza, brick pillars will support a hipped roof over a stairway to a lower-level municipal parking lot.

An artistic panel behind the hipped roof will mirror its design. The gateway also will include brick pillars at the intersection, a hydraulic lift from the parking lot and a mural at nearby Industrial Park.

The \$258,000 Erie Community Foundation Grant provided the \$36,660 design cost.

Work to demolish the diner and construct the new gateway will be done in phases. Cost is estimated at about \$650,000. Union City Pride has applied for additional funding for the project from the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development. Earlier projects funded facade improvements and plans for a new downtown parking lot.

This year, PennDOT will reconfigure the Main and High streets intersection, which includes a major rail crossing. England, of CityStudio, said Union City residents that he's met during his work in the borough are passionate about their town.

"We have met many dedicated, passionate residents and owners," he said. "People really care about their community and want to see it improved." Contact Valerie Myers at vmyers@timesnews.com.