

RESOLUTION NO. 51

AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH CLOUGH HARBOUR & ASSOCIATES REGARDING ARCHITECTURAL/ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE CORRECTIONAL FACILITY MENTAL HEALTH UNIT PROJECT

Introduced: 2/11/08

By Public Safety and Audit and Finance Committees:

WHEREAS, The County Sheriff has requested authorization to move forward on an agreement for architectural and engineering services to replace the temporary housing annex at the County Correctional Facility with a mental health unit, and

WHEREAS, The Sheriff indicated that the architect/engineer will provide engineering and design services for the demolition of the 72-bed annex and the design and engineering for a new mental health unit to be constructed in its place, and

WHEREAS, The Sheriff proposed to build a mental health unit to resolve multiple difficulties with the current arrangement where cell space for 50 mental health male inmates, including those on constant observation suicide watch, is located inside the jail, overflow mental health prisoners are moved in with the general population and the support staff lacks appropriate office space or room to conduct interviews and programs, and

WHEREAS, The County Purchasing Agent issued a request for proposals and on October 19, 2007 proposals were received from five firms regarding architectural/engineering services for the project, and

WHEREAS, Following interviews and presentations, a committee comprised of the Sheriff, Corrections Superintendent and General Services facilities engineering director recommended awarding the contract to Clough Harbour & Associates as offering the best value for the County, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature that the County Executive is authorized to enter into an agreement with Clough Harbour & Associates, 3 Winners Circle, Albany, NY 12205 in an amount not to exceed \$758,650 regarding architectural/engineering services for the demolition of the temporary annex and design of a new 108-bed mental health addition at the Albany County Correctional Facility, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Attorney is authorized to approve said agreement as to form and content, 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.

Adopted by unanimous vote. 2/11/08