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OFFICE OF THE COMMON COUNCIL
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6th Ward

David E. Sbaraglia
7th Ward

Eric Seelig
City Clerk

COMMON COUNCIL MEETING
REGULAR SESSION

JUNE 24, 2026
7:00 P.M.

Proceedings submitted by Jillian Campbell, Deputy City Clerk

PRESENT: Sparace, Mortise, Fazio, Smith, Reilly, Sbaraglia
EXCUSED: Dursi

Motion by Smith, seconded by Sparace, that the reading of the minutes of the preceding session be dispensed with and that they be approved.

COMMUNICATIONS

- The Jervis Library financial reports for quarters ended 12/31/25 and 3/31/26 have been received and filed in the City Clerk's Office.

RESOLUTIONS

RES. NO. 77 Adopted	ACCEPTING DONATION PRESENTED TO THE CITY OF ROME (\$2,500.00) BY THE BANK OF UTICA. Mayor Lanigan
RES. NO. 78A Adopted	AUTHORIZING BUDGET AMENDMENT TO REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNTS IN AN AMOUNT OF \$3,819,325.00. Adams
RES. NO. 79 Adopted	AUTHORIZING THE CITY TREASURER TO TRANSFER SETTLEMENT MONEY FROM HIK TO HWAP FOR THE 210 MARCH STREET PUMP STATION REPAIRS. Adams
RES. NO. 80 Adopted	AUTHORIZING AMENDMENT #3 TO CAPITAL ACCOUNT (HFO) ERIE BOULEVARD DOWNTOWN TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVE PROJECT (TAP) ORIGINALLY ESTABLISHED THROUGH RESOLUTION 93, ADOPTED ON OCTOBER 28, 2020. Andrews
RES. NO. 81 Adopted	AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF ROME TO ACCEPT A NYSDEC WATER QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT GRANT FOR THE BOYD DAM REHABILITATION PROJECT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,000,000.00. Guiliano
RES. NO. 82 Adopted	AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH ONEIDA COUNTY STOP-DWI PROGRAM "SELECTIVE PATROLS" (\$12,437.50). James
RES. NO. 83 Adopted	AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH ONEIDA COUNTY STOP-DWI PROGRAM "HIGH VISIBILITY ENGAGEMENT CAMPAIGN" (\$2,435.80). James

RES. NO. 84
Adopted

DESIGNATING THE COMMON COUNCIL AS LEAD AGENCY FOR THE STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW (SEQR) AS IT PERTAINS TO THE WATER RESOURCE RECOVERY FACILITY EXPANSION AND UPGRADE PROJECT AND CLASSIFYING THE ACTION AS A TYPE I ACTION. **Guiliano**

ORDINANCES

ORD. NO. 9885
Adopted

BOND ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ROME, ONEIDA COUNTY, NEW YORK, AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF AN ADDITIONAL \$45,000 SERIAL BONDS TO PAY COSTS OF IMPROVEMENTS TO THE CITY SEWER SYSTEM. **Adams**

ORD. NO. 9886
Adopted

AUTHORIZATION TO LOWER THE SPEED LIMIT TO 20MPH ON BELL ROAD BETWEEN TENNYSON AVE AND PARK AVE AND DESIGNATING SAID AREA AS A SCHOOL ZONE. **Guiliano**

ORD. NO. 9887
Adopted

AUTHORIZING AN EASEMENT WITH NATIONAL GRID FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 920 SWANCOTT MILLS ROAD, TOWN OF LEWIS, NY. **Guiliano**

TABLED LEGISLATION

***ORD. NO. 9869A**
Adopted

AUTHORIZING A SIX (6) MONTH MORATORIUM WITH RESPECT TO THE ESTABLISHMENT, INSTALLATION AND CONSTRUCTION OF BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEMS WITHIN THE CITY OF ROME. **Sparace, Dursi**

ORD. NO. 9884
Tabled

AMENDING ROME CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 80 TO PROHIBIT THE ESTABLISHMENT, INSTALLATION AND CONSTRUCTION OF BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEMS WITHIN THE CITY OF ROME. **Mortise, Sbaraglia**

Motion to adjourn by Smith, seconded by Sbaraglia, and so ordered June 24, 2026.

RESOLUTION NO. 77

**ACCEPTING DONATION PRESENTED TO THE
CITY OF ROME (\$2,500.00) BY THE BANK OF UTICA.**

By Councilor Mortise:

WHEREAS, the Bank of Utica has contacted the City of Rome with the offer to donate \$2,500.00 for the Fireworks on the Waterfront event on July 4th, 2026; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 25 of the Rome City Charter, the City of Rome Common Council may authorize the acceptance of donations made to the City of Rome on behalf of the City of Rome; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Common Council of the City of Rome, New York, that the donation of \$2,500.00 for the Fireworks on the Waterfront event on July 4th, 2026, shall be gratefully accepted by the City of Rome; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Common Council hereby expresses its appreciation to the Bank of Utica for its donation.

Seconded by Councilor Sparace.

AYES: Sparace, Mortise, Fazio, Smith, Reilly, Sbaraglia

NAYS: None

EXCUSED: Dursi

ADOPTED: June 24, 2026

RESOLUTION NO. 78A**AUTHORIZING BUDGET AMENDMENT TO REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE
ACCOUNTS IN AN AMOUNT OF \$3,819,325.00.**

By Councilor Sbaraglia:

WHEREAS, Brian Adams, Treasurer for the City of Rome, has requested a budget amendment to the Revenue and Expenditure accounts; and

WHEREAS, said amendment shall be to recognize the amount of ARPA and Interfund Transfers throughout the year 2025; now, therefore

BE RESOLVED, that the Common Council of the City of Rome hereby authorizes a budget amendment, as follows:

AG9901.900	Interfund Expense	\$3,819,325.00
AG1000.4089	General Government Aide Federal	\$3,819,325.00

; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of Rome Treasurer is directed to make such changes as may be necessary to effectuate the amendment authorized hereby and that same be consistent with the City's policies and procedures, and any applicable law.

Seconded by Councilor Reilly.

Motion by Sparace to strike "Unassigned Fund Balance" from code AG1000.4089 and insert "General Government Aide Federal," seconded by Fazio, and so ordered June 24, 2026.

AYES: Sparace, Mortise, Fazio, Smith, Reilly, Sbaraglia
NAYS: None
EXCUSED: Dursi
ADOPTED: June 24, 2026

RESOLUTION NO. 79**AUTHORIZING THE CITY TREASURER TO TRANSFER SETTLEMENT MONEY
FROM HIK TO HWAP FOR THE 210 MARCH STREET PUMP STATION REPAIRS.**

By Councilor Mortise:

WHEREAS, Brian Adams, Treasurer for the City of Rome, has requested to transfer settlement money from HIK to HWAP for the 210 March Street Pump Station Roof Repairs; now, therefore

BE RESOLVED, that the Common Council of the City of Rome hereby authorizes a transfer from HIK to HWAP, as follows:

HWAP

Source:	Use Previous Amount:	Transfer:	Final:
BAN/Bonding	\$100,000.00	N/A	\$100,000.00
Insurance Recovery	\$0.00	\$25,000.00	\$25,000.00
Totals	\$100,000.00	\$25,000.00	\$125,000.00

HIK

Source:	Use Previous Amount:	Transfer:	Final:
Insurance Recovery	\$2,725,172.00	(\$25,000.00)	\$2,700,172.00
Interfund	\$525,000.00	N/A	\$525,000.00
Totals	\$3,759,172.00	(\$25,000.00)	\$3,225,172.00

; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of Rome Treasurer is directed to make such changes as may be necessary to effectuate the amendment authorized hereby and that same be consistent with the City's policies and procedures, and any applicable law.

Seconded by Councilor Reilly.

AYES: Sparace, Mortise, Fazio, Smith, Reilly, Sbaraglia
NAYS: None
EXCUSED: Dursi
ADOPTED: June 24, 2026

RESOLUTION NO. 80**AUTHORIZING AMENDMENT #3 TO CAPITAL ACCOUNT (HFO) ERIE BOULEVARD DOWNTOWN
TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVE PROJECT (TAP) ORIGINALLY ESTABLISHED THROUGH
RESOLUTION 93, ADOPTED ON OCTOBER 28, 2020.**

By Councilor Smith:

WHEREAS, Matthew Andrews, Deputy Director of the Department of Community and Economic Development for the City of Rome, has requested to amend the Capital Account (HFO) Erie Boulevard Downtown Transportation Alternative (TAP) Project; now, therefore

BE RESOLVED, that the Common Council of the City of Rome hereby authorizes an amendment, as follows:

<u>Source:</u>	<u>Amount:</u>	<u>Use:</u>
NYS DOT TAP	\$1,059,200	Planning/Design/Construction
NYS DOT Touring Rates	\$1,036,048.47	Construction/ Right of Way
NYS DOT Touring 2024	\$1,450,467.90	Construction
[NYS DOT Touring 2026	\$236,106.63	Construction]
[DRI Capital Acct. HGJ	\$21,377.50	Construction {signage}]
Total	\$3,755,301.08	

; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of Rome Treasurer is directed to make such changes as may be necessary to effectuate the amendment authorized hereby and that same be consistent with the City's policies and procedures, and any applicable law.

Seconded by Councilor Fazio.

AYES: Sparace, Mortise, Fazio, Smith, Reilly, Sbaraglia
NAYS: None
EXCUSED: Dursi
ADOPTED: June 24, 2026

RESOLUTION NO. 81

**AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF ROME TO ACCEPT A NYSDEC WATER QUALITY
IMPROVEMENT PROJECT GRANT FOR THE BOYD DAM REHABILITATION PROJECT IN AN
AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,000,000.00.**

By Councilor Sbaraglia:

WHEREAS, Joseph Guiliano, Commissioner of Public Works for the City of Rome, has requested the authorization to accept a NYSDEC Water Quality Improvement Project Grant for the Boyd Dam Rehabilitation Project in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000.00; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Common Council of the City of Rome, New York, that the Mayor of the City of Rome and his designees are authorized to accept a NYSDEC Water Quality Improvement Project Grant for the Boyd Dam Rehabilitation Project in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000.00; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Mayor is authorized execute any and all other contracts, documents and instruments necessary to accept said funds and allow the City to expend the grant funds; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, City Treasurer Brian Adams be and is hereby authorized to establish an account for the above referenced project for the purpose of accepting and expending said funding.

Seconded by Councilor Sparace.

AYES: Sparace, Mortise, Fazio, Smith, Reilly, Sbaraglia

NAYS: None

EXCUSED: Dursi

ADOPTED: June 24, 2026

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DEC 12 2024

Honorable Jeffrey Lanigan
Mayor
City of Rome
198 N. Washington Street
Rome, NY 13440

Re: Water Quality Improvement Project Number 141524
Boyd Dam Restoration

Dear Mayor Lanigan:

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Water Quality Improvement Project (WQIP) program provides important support to communities to protect and restore water resources. DEC is proud to have made more than \$222 million available in this year's Consolidated Funding Application (CFA) and we appreciate your application for this vital program.

We are pleased to inform you that the Boyd Dam Restoration project has been selected to receive up to \$1,000,000 through the WQIP program. If you applied for funding from other programs or other State agencies, you will receive information from those programs/agencies separately.

The Office of State Comptroller (OSC) must approve DEC's documentation of the project solicitation and review process before we can begin the steps to execute a contract with you. When we receive OSC's approval, we will provide additional information to assist you in getting a contract in place. Upon receipt of this additional information, DEC and OSC expect that contracts will be executed within 90-120 days. Contracts for WQIP projects will be completed through the New York State Financial System (SFS). You will receive separate instructions on how to access this system and begin the contracting process.

The earliest contract start date for this round of WQIP projects (other than Land Acquisition for Source Water Protection projects) is May 13, 2024. For Land Acquisition for Source Water Protection projects, the earliest start date is August 1, 2022.



Department of
Environmental
Conservation

Please note that the work plan and budget for the contract must be consistent with your application. However, any costs/activities in your application that are ineligible (as listed by project type in the 2024 WQIP Program Overview) should not be included. Ineligible costs will not be reimbursed, which may impact your actual funding amount. The 2024 WQIP Program Overview can be viewed at: <https://dec.ny.gov/sites/default/files/2024-05/wqiprfa2024.pdf>.

We look forward to working with you on this important water quality project. If you have any questions about your award, please contact the WQIP program staff at user.water@dec.ny.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sean Mahar', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Sean Mahar
Interim Commissioner

RESOLUTION NO. 82

**AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH
ONEIDA COUNTY STOP-DWI PROGRAM "SELECTIVE PATROLS" (\$12,437.50).**

By Councilor Sparace:

WHEREAS, Kevin James, Chief of Police for the City of Rome, New York, has recommended that the City of Rome enter into an agreement with the Oneida County Stop-DWI Program "Selective Patrols"; and

WHEREAS, said agreement will allow the City of Rome, through its Police Department, to participate with the Oneida County Stop-DWI Program "Selective Patrols", said program being the County-wide effort to reduce alcohol related traffic injuries and fatalities; and

WHEREAS, through the aforesaid agreement the County of Oneida shall reimburse the City of Rome up to the sum of Twelve Thousand Four Hundred Thirty-Seven and 50/100 Dollars (\$12,437.50) for Stop-DWI Program "Selective Patrols", including salary and fringe benefits provided by the City of Rome Police Department; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Common Council of the City of Rome, New York, that it does hereby authorize the Mayor of the City of Rome to enter into an agreement with Oneida County Stop-DWI Program "Selective Patrols" for the time period of January 1, 2026 to December 31, 2026, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that pursuant to this agreement the City of Rome, through its Police Department, will fully participate in and cooperate with the Oneida County Stop-DWI Program "Selective Patrols" in their joint effort to reduce alcohol related traffic injuries and fatalities.

Seconded by Councilor Fazio.

AYES: Sparace, Mortise, Fazio, Smith, Reilly, Sbaraglia
NAYS: None
EXCUSED: Dursi
ADOPTED: June 24, 2026

**ONEIDA COUNTY STOP-DWI PROGRAM
SELECTIVE ENFORCEMENT PATROLS
AGREEMENT**

This Agreement (the "Agreement") made this 1st day of January 2026, by and between the County of Oneida, a municipal corporation existing under the laws of the State of New York, with principal offices located at 800 Park Avenue, Rome, New York 13501, through its Stop-DWI program, with offices located at 120 Base Road, Oriskany, New York 13424, hereinafter collectively referred to as the "County," and the City of Rome, a municipal corporation existing under the laws of the State of New York with its principal offices at 198 North Washington Street, Rome, New York 13440, through its Rome Police Department, having offices at 301 N. James Street, Rome, New York 13440, hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Police Agency" (each individually referred to as a "Party" and collectively referred to as the "Parties").

WHEREAS, the County operates and conducts a program entitled "Stop-DWI;" and

WHEREAS, the mission of the Stop-DWI program is the County-wide reduction of alcohol related traffic injuries and fatalities; and

WHEREAS, the Police Agency desires to participate in and promote the Stop-DWI program with the County;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Parties agree as follows:

1. **GENERAL:** The Police Agency shall provide services as outlined below under Section 2 "Scope of Services," which will assist in the County-wide enforcement of New York State Vehicle and Traffic Laws relating to Driving While Intoxicated, and shall be aimed at reducing alcohol-related traffic injuries and fatalities.

2. **SCOPE OF SERVICES:** In accordance with this Agreement, the Police Agency shall perform the following (collectively, (a), (b), and (c) shall hereinafter be referred to as the "Services"):

- a) Conduct DWI Selective Enforcement Patrols;
- b) Testify in criminal proceedings that are a result of DWI arrests; and
- c) Attend training that enhances the mission of the Stop-DWI program.

3. **FEE:** The County shall reimburse the Police Agency for salary, fringe benefits, related travel and subsistence, and breath testing equipment calibrations up to the sum of twelve thousand four hundred thirty-seven dollars and fifty cents (\$12,437.50), related to the Services provided pursuant to this Agreement.

- a) Payments shall be made upon receipt from the Police Agency of a properly completed County voucher form itemizing and setting forth in detail the costs incurred and Services performed, together with any receipts or other such supporting documentation attached thereto. Said voucher must be submitted no later than the 15th day of the month following the end of the quarter and shall be accompanied by a completed statistical report on forms provided by the County detailing the Police Agency's Services that were

undertaken on behalf of the Stop-DWI program. To be reimbursed for expenses other than the Services herein, the Police Agency must receive prior written approval from the Stop-DWI Coordinator.

b) The County reserves the right to conduct an on-site program and/or fiscal audit of the Police Agency's records as they relate to Stop-DWI program Services in a manner consistent with generally accepted accounting principles and program guidelines. The Police Agency shall make available all payroll, daily activity, and related logs at the request of the Stop-DWI Coordinator or designee in order to verify Services claimed by the Police Agency in claims made to the Stop-DWI program for reimbursement.

4. **GOVERNANCE AND OPERATING PROCEDURES:** All Services associated with this Agreement shall be governed by the official published "Standard Operating Procedures of the Oneida County Stop-DWI Program," as same may be amended.

a) Police Agency warrants and represents that the program to be conducted by it does not violate Section 1197 of the Vehicle and Traffic Law of the State of New York, as same may be amended.

b) Police Agency agrees to comply with all applicable Federal, State, and Local statutes, laws, rules, and regulations as same may from time to time be amended.

5. **TERM:** This Agreement shall be effective from January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026.

6. **TERMINATION:** The County reserves the right to terminate this Agreement, upon thirty (30) days written notice to the Police Agency. In the event of termination, the County will have no further obligation to the Police Agency other than payment for costs incurred for Services performed prior to termination. In no event will the County be responsible for any actual or consequential damages as a result of termination.

7. **SPECIAL REPORTS:** Police Agency shall notify the STOP-DWI Coordinator of all arrests on a quarterly basis, and any traffic fatalities occurring within its jurisdiction upon completion of the crash investigation. Such notification shall be presented as a photocopy of the final MV-104A and MV-104D Police Reports.

8. **ADVICE OF COUNSEL:** Each Party acknowledges that, in executing this Agreement, such Party has had the opportunity to seek the advice of independent legal counsel, and has read and understood all of the terms and provisions of this Agreement.

9. **NON-ASSIGNMENT.** This Agreement may not be assigned by the Policy Agency without the prior written consent of the County.

10. **ENTIRE AGREEMENT:** The terms of this Agreement, including the "Standard Oneida County Conditions," which is attached hereto and made a part hereof as Addendum A, constitute the entire understanding and agreement of the Parties and cancels and supersedes all prior negotiations, representations, understandings or agreements, whether written or oral, with respect to the subject matter of this Agreement.

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SIGNATURE PAGE TO FOLLOW.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Agreement has been duly executed and signed by:

CITY OF ROME

BY _____

DATE _____

Jeffrey Lanigan
Mayor

ONEIDA COUNTY

BY _____

DATE _____

Anthony J. Picente, Jr.
Oneida County Executive

Approved

Christopher J. Kalil, Esq.
Assistant County Attorney

RESOLUTION NO. 83

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH ONEIDA COUNTY STOP-DWI PROGRAM "HIGH VISIBILITY ENGAGEMENT CAMPAIGN" (\$2,435.80).

By Councilor Smith:

WHEREAS, Kevin James, Chief of Police for the City of Rome, New York, has recommended that the City of Rome enter into an agreement with the Oneida County Stop-DWI Program "High Visibility Engagement Campaign"; and

WHEREAS, said agreement will allow the City of Rome, through its Police Department, to participate with the Oneida County Stop-DWI Program "High Visibility Engagement Campaign", said program being the County-wide effort to reduce alcohol related traffic injuries and fatalities on targeted holiday dates; and

WHEREAS, through the aforesaid agreement the County of Oneida shall reimburse the City of Rome up to the sum of Twelve Thousand Four Hundred Thirty-Seven and 50/100 Dollars (\$2,435.80) for Stop-DWI Program "High Visibility Engagement Campaign", including salary and fringe benefits provided by the City of Rome Police Department; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Common Council of the City of Rome, New York, that it does hereby authorize the Mayor of the City of Rome to enter into an agreement with Oneida County Stop-DWI Program "High Visibility Engagement Campaign" for the time period of October 1, 2025 to September 30, 2026, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that pursuant to this agreement the City of Rome, through its Police Department, will fully participate in and cooperate with the Oneida County Stop-DWI Program "High Visibility Engagement Campaign" in their joint effort to reduce alcohol related traffic injuries and fatalities on targeted holiday dates.

Seconded by Councilor Fazio.

AYES: Sparace, Mortise, Fazio, Smith, Reilly, Sbaraglia
NAYS: None
EXCUSED: Dursi
ADOPTED: June 24, 2026

Oneida County STOP-DWI Program High Visibility Engagement Campaigns Agreement

This Agreement ("Agreement") is made by and between the County of Oneida, a municipal corporation existing under the laws of the State of New York, with principal offices located at 800 Park Avenue, Utica, New York 13501, including its STOP-DWI Program (collectively, "the County"), and the City of Rome, a municipal corporation existing under the laws of the State of New York, having offices at 301 N. James Street, Rome, New York 13440 ("the City").

WHEREAS, the County operates a STOP-DWI program, the mission of which is the County-wide reduction of alcohol-related traffic injuries and fatalities; and

WHEREAS, the City wishes to promote the County's STOP-DWI Program; and

WHEREAS, the County has received a grant from the New York State STOP-DWI Foundation to support its participation in the current statewide STOP-DWI High Visibility Engagement Campaigns initiative; and

WHEREAS, the City has expressed its willingness, ability and desire for its Police Department ("RPD") to participate in the County's STOP-DWI High Visibility Engagement Campaigns;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Parties agree as follows:

1. Scope of Services. The City's RPD shall participate in the County's STOP-DWI High Visibility Engagement Campaigns on dates specified by the New York State STOP-DWI Foundation which are communicated by the County's STOP-DWI Program coordinator to the RPD.

2. Term. This Agreement shall begin on October 1, 2025 and end on September 30, 2026.

3. Fee.

a. The County shall reimburse the City up to the sum of two thousand four hundred thirty-five dollars and eighty cents (\$2,435.80) for RPD's participation in the County's STOP-DWI High Visibility Engagement Campaigns. Funds paid to the City under this Agreement are to be used exclusively in connection with RPD officers' hours worked during the STOP-DWI High Visibility Engagement Campaigns.

b. Payments shall be made by the County (i) upon its receipt from the City and/or RPD of a properly completed County voucher and related New York State STOP-DWI Foundation activity forms, which must itemize and detail the costs incurred and/or services performed, together with any receipts or other such supporting documentation attached thereto, and (ii) after audit and approval by the County's Department of Audit and Control, as well as approval by the

County Comptroller. Voucher, activity form(s) and supporting documentation must be submitted to the County within thirty (30) days of any STOP-DWI High Visibility Engagement Campaigns provided by the RPD.

c. The County reserves the right to conduct fiscal audits of the City's and/or RPD's records as they relate to STOP-DWI program activities, including STOP-DWI High Visibility Engagement Campaigns. Such audits shall be conducted in a manner consistent with generally accepted accounting principles and guidelines. The City and/or RPD shall make available to the County all payroll, daily activity, and related logs as the County may request in order to verify services claimed by the City and/or RPD for reimbursement.

4. Termination. The County reserves the right to terminate this Agreement upon (30) days written notice to the City. In the event of termination, the County will have no further obligation to the City other than payment for costs incurred for STOP-DWI High Visibility Engagement Campaigns performed by RPD prior to termination. In no event shall the County be responsible for any actual or consequential damages as a result of termination.

5. Compliance with Applicable Laws. The City agrees to comply with all applicable federal, state, and local statutes, rules and regulations with respect to its participation in STOP-DWI High Visibility Engagement Campaigns.

6. Reporting Requirements. The City and/or RPD shall notify the County's STOP-DWI Program coordinator of all arrests and convictions for drinking and driving on a quarterly basis, and any alcohol-related traffic fatalities occurring within the City upon completion of any accident investigation. Such notification shall include a photocopy of the final MV-104A and/or MV-104D Police Reports.

7. Non-Appropriation of Funds. The County shall have no liability under this Agreement to the City beyond the funds appropriated and available for this Agreement.

8. Non-Assignment. This Agreement may not be assigned by the City without the prior written consent of the County.

9. Indemnification. The parties shall mutually indemnify, defend and hold harmless from and against all claims, losses, damages, liabilities, actions, costs and expenses, including, but not limited to, reasonable legal fees and expenses, paid or incurred by the other party and arising directly or indirectly out of: (i) any material breach of this Agreement by either party; (ii) any breach of applicable federal, state, and local statutes, rules and regulations; or (iii) any other act or omission of either party. The obligations of the parties under this section shall survive any expiration or termination of this Agreement.

10. Advice of Counsel. The parties acknowledges that, in executing this Agreement, they have had the opportunity to seek the advice of counsel and have read and understood all of the terms and provisions of this Agreement.

11. Entire Agreement. The terms of this Agreement, including the "Standard Oneida County Conditions," which is attached hereto and made a part hereof as Exhibit A, constitute the entire understanding and agreement of the Parties and cancels and supersedes all prior negotiations, representations, understandings or agreements, whether written or oral, with respect to the subject matter of this Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Agreement has been duly executed and signed by:

CITY OF ROME

Jeffrey M. Lanigan
Mayor

Date

COUNTY OF ONEIDA

Anthony J. Picente, Jr.
Oneida County Executive

Date

Approved:

Christopher J. Kalil
Assistant County Attorney

RESOLUTION NO. 84

**DESIGNATING THE COMMON COUNCIL AS LEAD AGENCY
FOR THE STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW (SEQR)
AS IT PERTAINS TO THE WATER RESOURCE RECOVERY FACILITY EXPANSION
AND UPGRADE PROJECT AND CLASSIFYING THE ACTION AS A TYPE I ACTION.**

By Councilor Smith:

WHEREAS, the City of Rome, New York (“the City”) is proposing the Water Resource Recovery Facility Expansion and Upgrade Project; and

WHEREAS, the City has determined that the proposed project is a Type I Action under SEQRA; and

WHEREAS, the CITY has reviewed the proposed project and Part 1 of the Full Environmental Assessment Form; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Common Council of the City of Rome, New York hereby proposes to act as SEQRA Lead Agency for purposes of conducting a SEQRA Coordinated Review of the proposed project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Common Council of the City of Rome, New York directs that this Resolution be sent to all Involved Agencies advising them of the proposed project, providing them with the Part I of the Full Environmental Assessment Form, advising them that the CITY proposes that it serve as Lead Agency and asking each Agency to offer written comments on whether they object to the CITY serving as Lead Agency and whether the proposed project may have any impacts on the environment.

Seconded by Councilor Sbaraglia.

AYES: Sparace, Mortise, Fazio, Smith, Reilly, Sbaraglia

NAYS: None

EXCUSED: Dursi

ADOPTED: June 24, 2026

RESOLUTION NO. _____

Proposed Action: City of Rome Water Resource Recovery Facility Expansion Project

**RESOLUTION DECLARING THE INTENT OF THE CITY OF ROME COMMON COUNCIL
TO ACT AS LEAD AGENCY**

WHEREAS, the City of Rome (City) is proposing the City of Rome Water Resource Recovery Facility Expansion Project (Project), located in the City of Rome, Oneida County, New York; and

WHEREAS, the Project has been classified as a "Type I Action" as defined by the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) in 6 NYCRR Part 617.4; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the City of Rome Common Council to assume the role of "Lead Agency" for purposes of conducting a SEQRA/SERP assessment of the Project; and

WHEREAS, Part I of a Full Environmental Assessment Form (FEAF) has been completed, reviewed by the City of Rome Common Council, and will be circulated to all Interested and Involved Agencies for purposes of establishing the City of Rome Common Council as "Lead Agency" in accordance with 6 NYCRR Part 617.6(b).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED AND DETERMINED, that the Mayor of the City of Rome hereby is authorized to sign Part I of the FEAF (page 13); and it is further

RESOLVED AND DETERMINED, that the City of Rome will send said Part I of the FEAF and associated site figure to the attached list of "Interested and Involved Agencies" under cover of a "Notice of Intent to Establish Lead Agency" letter for purposes of establishing Lead Agency status under the SEQRA/SERP; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the Mayor of the City of Rome and the Common Council, together with the City of Rome Attorney and B&L, are hereby authorized to take all actions, serve all notices, and complete all documents required to give full force and effect to this determination.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote, and upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

The foregoing resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

Dated: _____

I hereby certify that this resolution was adopted on _____ and is recorded in the Meeting Minutes of the City of Rome Common Council.

City Clerk

Full Environmental Assessment Form
Part 1 - Project and Setting

Instructions for Completing Part 1

Part 1 is to be completed by the applicant or project sponsor. Responses become part of the application for approval or funding, are subject to public review, and may be subject to further verification.

Complete Part 1 based on information currently available. If additional research or investigation would be needed to fully respond to any item, please answer as thoroughly as possible based on current information; indicate whether missing information does not exist, or is not reasonably available to the sponsor; and, when possible, generally describe work or studies that would be necessary to update or fully develop that information.

Applicants/sponsors must complete all items in Sections A & B. In Sections C, D & E, most items contain an initial question that must be answered either "Yes" or "No." If the answer to the initial question is "Yes," complete the following sub-questions. If the answer to the initial question is "No," proceed to the next question. Section F allows the project sponsor to identify and attach additional information. Section G requires the name and signature of the applicant or project sponsor to verify the information in Part 1 is accurate and complete.

A. Project and Applicant/Sponsor Information.

Name of Action or Project: City of Rome Water Resource Recovery Facility Expansion Project		
Project Location (describe and attach a general location map): 7180 Lower East Dominick Street, Rome, NY 13440		
Brief Description of Proposed Action (include purpose or need): The proposed project involves the expansion of the existing City of Rome Water Resource Recovery Facility (WRRF) to support anticipated industrial growth within the service area. The project includes construction of new treatment infrastructure and expansion of existing facilities within an expanded plant boundary that incorporates an adjacent parcel recently acquired by the City. Major components of the project include a new headworks building with screening and grit removal systems, new secondary treatment tanks, a new blower building, installation of additional wastewater treatment equipment, expansion of the existing dewatering building, and construction of a new digestion tank. The project will also include installation of new site utilities, including wastewater conveyance piping, and associated site work. All improvements will occur within the limits of the expanded WRRF property. A conceptual site plan is provided in Figure 1.		
Name of Applicant/Sponsor: City of Rome, Jeffrey Lanigan - Mayor		Telephone: (315) 336-6000
		E-Mail: jlanigan@romeny.gov
Address: 198 N Washington Street		
City/PO: Rome	State: NY	Zip Code: 13440
Project Contact (if not same as sponsor; give name and title/role): Barton & Loguidice, D.P.C. - Grete Day, Environmental Scientist		Telephone: (315) 457-5200
		E-Mail: gday@bartonandloguidice.com
Address: 443 Electronics Parkway		
City/PO: Liverpool	State: NY	Zip Code: 13088
Property Owner (if not same as sponsor):		Telephone:
		E-Mail:
Address:		
City/PO:	State:	Zip Code:

B. Government Approvals

B. Government Approvals, Funding, or Sponsorship. ("Funding" includes grants, loans, tax relief, and any other forms of financial assistance.)

Government Entity	If Yes: Identify Agency and Approval(s) Required	Application Date (Actual or projected)
a. City Council, Town Board, ☒ Yes ☐ No or Village Board of Trustees	City of Rome (project sponsor)	Summer 2026
b. City, Town or Village ☐ Yes ☒ No Planning Board or Commission		
c. City, Town or ☐ Yes ☒ No Village Zoning Board of Appeals		
d. Other local agencies ☐ Yes ☒ No		
e. County agencies ☐ Yes ☒ No		
f. Regional agencies ☐ Yes ☒ No		
g. State agencies ☒ Yes ☐ No	NYSDEC (permits)	Fall 2026-Spring 2027
h. Federal agencies ☐ Yes ☒ No		
i. Coastal Resources.		
i. Is the project site within a Coastal Area or the waterfront area of a Designated Inland Waterway?		☐ Yes ☒ No
ii. Is the project site located in a community with an approved Local Waterfront Revitalization Program?		☐ Yes ☒ No
iii. Is the project site within a Coastal Erosion Hazard Area?		☐ Yes ☒ No

C. Planning and Zoning

C.1. Planning and zoning actions.

Will administrative or legislative adoption, or amendment of a plan, local law, ordinance, rule, or regulation be the only approval(s) that must be granted to enable the proposed action to proceed? ☐ Yes ☒ No

- If Yes, complete sections C, F and G.
- If No, proceed to question C.2 and complete all remaining sections and questions in Part 1

C.2. Adopted land use plans.

a. Do any municipally adopted (city, town, village, or county) comprehensive land use plan(s) include the site where the proposed action would be located? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, does the comprehensive plan include specific recommendations for the site where the proposed action would be located? ☒ Yes ☐ No

b. Is the site of the proposed action within any local or regional special planning district (for example: Greenway; Brownfield Opportunity Area (BOA); designated State or Federal heritage area; watershed management plan; or other?) ☒ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, identify the plan(s):

Erie Canalway National Heritage Corridor

c. Is the proposed action located wholly or partially within an area listed in an adopted municipal open space plan or an adopted municipal farmland protection plan? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, identify the plan(s):

d. Is the proposed action in a municipality with an adopted comprehensive or individual plan that addresses climate change? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, identify the elements of the plan that are relevant to the action:

C.3. Zoning

a. Is the site of the proposed action located in a municipality with an adopted zoning law or ordinance. ☒ Yes ☐ No
If Yes, what is the zoning classification(s) including any applicable overlay district?

IG- General Industrial

b. Is the use permitted or allowed by a special or conditional use permit? ☐ Yes ☒ No

c. Is a zoning change requested as part of the proposed action? ☐ Yes ☒ No
If Yes, What is the proposed new zoning for the site? _____

C.4. Existing community services.

a. In what school district is the project site located? Rome City School District

b. What police or other public protection forces serve the project site?
City of Rome Police Department

c. Which fire protection and emergency medical services serve the project site?
City of Rome Fire Department

d. What parks serve the project site?

Nearby recreational resources include multiple municipal parks (Hollis Hewitt Park, Floyd Town Park, Guyer Park, Hazelton Wright Park, Franklyn Field, Plinti Field, Eddy Park), Fort Stanwix National Monument, Oriskany Battlefield State Historic Site, Rome State Fish Hatchery, Rome State Wildlife Management Area, and Oriskany Flats State Wildlife Management Area

D. Project Details

D.1. Proposed and Potential Development

a. What is the general nature of the proposed action (e.g., residential, industrial, commercial, recreational; if mixed, include all components)? Municipal wastewater treatment facility expansion

b. a. Total acreage of the site of the proposed action? 24.9 acres

b. Total acreage to be physically disturbed? Approx. 10 acres

c. Total acreage (project site and any contiguous properties) owned or controlled by the applicant or project sponsor? 24.9 acres

c. Is the proposed action an expansion of an existing project or use? ☒ Yes ☐ No

i. If Yes, what is the approximate percentage of the proposed expansion and identify the units (e.g., acres, miles, housing units, square feet)? 90 50 Units: Treatment capacity (MGD of wastewater flows)

d. Is the proposed action a subdivision, or does it include a subdivision? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes,

i. Purpose or type of subdivision? (e.g., residential, industrial, commercial; if mixed, specify types)

ii. Is a cluster/conservation layout proposed?

☐ Yes ☐ No

iii. Number of lots proposed? _____

iv. Minimum and maximum proposed lot sizes? Minimum _____ Maximum _____

e. Will the proposed action be constructed in multiple phases? ☐ Yes ☒ No															
i. If No, anticipated period of construction: 46 months															
ii. If Yes: • Total number of phases anticipated _____ • Anticipated commencement date of phase I (including demolition) _____ month _____ year • Anticipated completion date of final phase _____ month _____ year • Generally describe connections or relationships among phases, including any contingencies where progress of one phase may determine timing or duration of future phases: _____															
f. Does the project include new residential uses? ☐ Yes ☒ No															
If Yes, show numbers of units proposed. <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <th style="width: 25%; text-align: center;"><u>One Family</u></th> <th style="width: 25%; text-align: center;"><u>Two Family</u></th> <th style="width: 25%; text-align: center;"><u>Three Family</u></th> <th style="width: 25%; text-align: center;"><u>Multiple Family (four or more)</u></th> </tr> <tr> <td>Initial Phase _____</td> <td>_____</td> <td>_____</td> <td>_____</td> </tr> <tr> <td>At completion of all phases _____</td> <td>_____</td> <td>_____</td> <td>_____</td> </tr> </table>				<u>One Family</u>	<u>Two Family</u>	<u>Three Family</u>	<u>Multiple Family (four or more)</u>	Initial Phase _____	_____	_____	_____	At completion of all phases _____	_____	_____	_____
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Initial Phase _____	_____	_____	_____												
At completion of all phases _____	_____	_____	_____												
g. Does the proposed action include new non-residential construction (including expansions)? ☒ Yes ☐ No															
If Yes, *See attached list of proposed facilities/tanks and approximate dimensions.															
i. Total number of structures 15															
ii. Dimensions (in feet) of largest proposed structure: 15 height; 100 width; and 115 length MBR chemical/blower bldg.															
iii. Approximate extent of building space to be heated or cooled: 11,500 square feet															
h. Does the proposed action include construction or other activities that will result in the impoundment of any liquids, such as creation of a water supply, reservoir, pond, lake, waste lagoon or other storage? ☒ Yes ☐ No															
If Yes, i. Purpose of the impoundment: <u>Wastewater treatment process tanks</u> ii. If a water impoundment, the principal source of the water: ☐ Ground water ☐ Surface water streams ☒ Other specify: Sanitary wastewater iii. If other than water, identify the type of impounded/contained liquids and their source. N/A iv. Approximate size of the proposed impoundment. Volume: _____ million gallons; surface area: _____ acres v. Dimensions of the proposed dam or impounding structure: _____ height; _____ length *See attached list of proposed tanks and approximate dimensions/volumes. vi. Construction method/materials for the proposed dam or impounding structure (e.g., earth fill, rock, wood, concrete): <u>Concrete</u>															
D.2. Project Operations															
a. Does the proposed action include any excavation, mining, or dredging, during construction, operations, or both? ☒ Yes ☐ No															
(Not including general site preparation, grading or installation of utilities or foundations where all excavated materials will remain onsite)															
If Yes: i. What is the purpose of the excavation or dredging? <u>Excavation for new tanks and structures</u> ii. How much material (including rock, earth, sediments, etc.) is proposed to be removed from the site? • Volume (specify tons or cubic yards): <u>TBD</u> • Over what duration of time? <u>TBD</u> iii. Describe nature and characteristics of materials to be excavated or dredged, and plans to use, manage or dispose of them. <u>Existing soils on site; materials will be reused for general site grading if possible, excess materials to be disposed off-site in approved location.</u> iv. Will there be onsite dewatering or processing of excavated materials? ☒ Yes ☐ No - If yes, describe. <u>If a shallow water table is encountered during construction, excavated materials would be dewatered on site in accordance with SWPPP/NYSDEC SPDES GP requirements.</u> v. What is the total area to be dredged or excavated? <u>TBD</u> acres vi. What is the maximum area to be worked at any one time? <u>TBD</u> acres vii. What would be the maximum depth of excavation or dredging? <u>TBD</u> feet viii. Will the excavation require blasting? ☐ Yes ☒ No ix. Summarize site reclamation goals and plan: <u>Site to be permanently regraded and stabilized following completion of construction in accordance with design plans.</u>															

b. Would the proposed action cause or result in alteration of, increase or decrease in size of, or encroachment into any existing wetland, waterbody, shoreline, beach or adjacent area? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes:

i. Identify the wetland or waterbody which would be affected (by name, water index number, wetland map number or geographic description): _____

ii. Describe how the proposed action would affect that waterbody or wetland, e.g., excavation, fill, placement of structures, or alteration of channels, banks, and shorelines. Indicate extent of activities, alterations and additions in square feet or acres: _____

iii. Will the proposed action cause or result in disturbance to bottom sediments? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, describe: _____

iv. Will the proposed action cause or result in the destruction or removal of aquatic vegetation? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes:

- acres of aquatic vegetation proposed to be removed: _____
- expected acreage of aquatic vegetation remaining after project completion: _____
- purpose of proposed removal (e.g. beach clearing, invasive species control, boat access): _____
- proposed method of plant removal: _____
- if chemical/herbicide treatment will be used, specify product(s): _____

v. Describe any proposed reclamation/mitigation following disturbance: _____

c. Will the proposed action use, or create a new demand for water? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes:

i. Total anticipated water usage/demand per day: _____ gallons/day

ii. Will the proposed action obtain water from an existing public water supply? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes:

- Name of district or service area: _____
- Does the existing public water supply have capacity to serve the proposal? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- Is the project site in the existing district? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- Is expansion of the district needed? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- Do existing lines serve the project site? ☐ Yes ☐ No

iii. Will line extension within an existing district be necessary to supply the project? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes:

- Describe extensions or capacity expansions proposed to serve this project: _____
- Source(s) of supply for the district: _____

iv. Is a new water supply district or service area proposed to be formed to serve the project site? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes:

- Applicant/sponsor for new district: _____
- Date application submitted or anticipated: _____
- Proposed source(s) of supply for new district: _____

v. If a public water supply will not be used, describe plans to provide water supply for the project: _____

vi. If water supply will be from wells (public or private), what is the maximum pumping capacity: _____ gallons/minute.

d. Will the proposed action generate liquid wastes?

☒ Yes ☐ No

If Yes:

- i. Total anticipated liquid waste generation per day: 18 million gallons/day **18 MGD upon completion of final phase; current permitted treatment capacity of WRRF is 12 MGD**
- ii. Nature of liquid wastes to be generated (e.g., sanitary wastewater, industrial; if combination, describe all components and approximate volumes or proportions of each): Sanitary and industrial wastewater

iii. Will the proposed action use any existing public wastewater treatment facilities?

☒ Yes ☐ No

If Yes:

- Name of wastewater treatment plant to be used: City of Rome WRRF
- Name of district: City of Rome Sewer District
- Does the existing wastewater treatment plant have capacity to serve the project? **Project involves expansion of existing WRRF** ☐ Yes ☐ No **N/A**
- Is the project site in the existing district? ☒ Yes ☐ No
- Is expansion of the district needed? ☐ Yes ☒ No

- Do existing sewer lines serve the project site? ☒ Yes ☐ No

- Will a line extension within an existing district be necessary to serve the project? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes:

- Describe extensions or capacity expansions proposed to serve this project: _____

iv. Will a new wastewater (sewage) treatment district be formed to serve the project site?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes:

- Applicant/sponsor for new district: _____
- Date application submitted or anticipated: _____
- What is the receiving water for the wastewater discharge? _____

v. If public facilities will not be used, describe plans to provide wastewater treatment for the project, including specifying proposed receiving water (name and classification if surface discharge or describe subsurface disposal plans):

N/A

vi. Describe any plans or designs to capture, recycle or reuse liquid waste: _____

Wastewater will be treated at the WRRF, treated effluent will be discharged to the Mohawk River/Barge Canal south of the project area, as it is currently. No changes to the effluent outfall are proposed. Liquid waste will not be reused/recycled.

e. Will the proposed action disturb more than one acre and create stormwater runoff, either from new point sources (i.e. ditches, pipes, swales, curbs, gutters or other concentrated flows of stormwater) or non-point sources (i.e., sheet flow) during construction or post construction?

☒ Yes ☐ No

If Yes:

i. How much impervious surface will the project create in relation to total size of project parcel?

 Square feet or ~3.5 acres (impervious surface)

 Square feet or 24.9 acres (parcel size)

ii. Describe types of new point sources. _____

No new point sources; additional sheet flow runoff from increased impervious area (new structures, paved surfaces)

iii. Where will the stormwater runoff be directed (i.e. on-site stormwater management facility/structures, adjacent properties, groundwater, on-site surface water, or off-site surface waters)?

Existing and potential new (if required) on-site stormwater management facilities

- If to surface waters, identify receiving water bodies or wetlands: _____

Stormwater management facilities ultimately drain to Mohawk River/Barge Canal south of project area

- Will stormwater runoff flow to adjacent properties? ☐ Yes ☒ No

iv. Does the proposed plan minimize impervious surfaces, use pervious materials or collect and re-use stormwater? ☐ Yes ☒ No

f. Does the proposed action include, or will it use on-site, one or more sources of air emissions, including fuel combustion, waste incineration, or other processes or operations? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, identify:

i. Mobile sources during project operations (e.g., heavy equipment, fleet or delivery vehicles)
Heavy equipment operations _____

ii. Stationary sources during construction (e.g., power generation, structural heating, batch plant, crushers)
Heavy equipment use during construction _____

iii. Stationary sources during operations (e.g., process emissions, boilers, electric generation, surface coating)
Process emissions (biogas from digester operations). Emissions to be controlled w/ waste gas flare or be beneficially used. _____

g. Will any air emission sources named in D.2.f (above), require an Air Facility Registration, Air State Facility Permit, Title IV Permit or Title V Permit? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If Yes:

i. Is the proposed action subject to the Nonattainment New Source Review or Prevention of Significant Deterioration requirements discussed in 6 NYCRR Part 231? ☐ Yes ☒ No

ii. As calculated in the air permit application, the proposed action has the potential to emit:

- _____ Tons/year (short tons) of carbon monoxide (CO)
- _____ Tons/year (short tons) of oxides of nitrogen (NO_x)
- _____ Tons/year (short tons) of particulate matter (PM-10, PM-2.5)
- _____ Tons/year (short tons) of volatile organic compounds (VOC)
- _____ Tons/year (short tons) of sulfur dioxide (SO₂)

Emissions TBD - calculations to be done during detailed design phase

iii. Will emissions of air contaminants from the proposed action described above exceed the corresponding major source thresholds? ☐ Yes ☒ No

iv. Does the proposed action have the potential to emit 10 tons/year or more of any one designated hazardous air pollutant or 25 tons/year or more of any combination of such hazardous air pollutants (6 NYCRR 200.1(ag))? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, provide the total potential to emit hazardous air pollutants in short tons/year: _____

h. Will the proposed action generate or emit annual direct and indirect greenhouse gas emissions, such as carbon dioxide, methane, nitrous oxide, sulfur hexafluoride, hydrofluorocarbons, or perfluorocarbons in excess of 10,000 metric tons of total carbon dioxide equivalents per year at any point in the lifetime of the proposed action (estimated using the carbon dioxide equivalent definition and global warming potentials provided in 6 NYCRR Part 496)? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Emissions and controls TBD - calculations to be done during detailed design phase

If Yes:

i. Estimate the proposed action's metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalents in tons/year (metric): 180

ii. Describe any greenhouse gas capture, control, or elimination measures included in project design: TBD

i. Will the proposed action result in the release of air pollutants from open-air operations or processes, such as quarry or landfill operations? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes: Describe operations and nature of emissions (e.g., diesel exhaust, rock particulates/dust): _____

j. Will the proposed action result in a substantial increase in traffic above present levels or generate substantial new demand for transportation facilities or services? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Note: Additional truck trips will be associated with the proposed upgrades (currently 2-3 trucks per day hauling to the plant, which would increase to approx. 15 trucks per day). One additional truck trip per day for cake hauling off site is also anticipated. Substantial increase in traffic not anticipated as the increase is well below 100 peak hour trips per day.

If Yes:

i. When is the peak traffic expected (Check all that apply): ☐ Morning ☐ Evening ☐ Weekend
Randomly between hours of _____ to _____

ii. For commercial activities only, projected number of truck trips/day and type (e.g., semi trailers and dump trucks): _____

iii. Parking spaces: Existing _____ Proposed _____ Net increase/decrease _____

iv. Does the proposed action include any shared use parking? ☐ Yes ☐ No

v. If the proposed action includes any modification of existing roads, creation of new roads or change in existing access, describe: _____

vi. Are public/private transportation service(s) or facilities available within ½ mile of the proposed site? ☐ Yes ☐ No

vii. Will the proposed action include access to public transportation or accommodations for use of hybrid, electric or other alternative fueled vehicles? ☐ Yes ☐ No

viii. Will the proposed action include plans for pedestrian or bicycle accommodations for connections to existing pedestrian or bicycle routes? ☐ Yes ☐ No

k. Will the proposed action (for commercial or industrial projects only) generate new or additional energy demand? ☒ Yes ☐ No
If Yes:

i. Estimate annual electricity demand during operation of the proposed action: TBD

ii. Anticipated sources/suppliers of electricity for the project (e.g., on-site combustion, on-site renewable, via grid/local utility, or other): Local utility grid

iii. Will the proposed action require a new, or an upgrade, to an existing substation? ☐ Yes ☒ No

l. Hours of operation. Answer all items which apply.

i. During Construction:

- Monday - Friday: 7AM-5PM
- Saturday: N/A
- Sunday: N/A
- Holidays: N/A

ii. During Operations: Note: WRRF is staffed 6 days/week for 8 hours; operations are ongoing 24/7.

- Monday - Friday: 24/7 facility operation
- Saturday: 24/7 facility operation
- Sunday: 24/7 facility operation
- Holidays: 24/7 facility operation

m. Will the proposed action produce noise that will exceed existing ambient noise levels during construction, operation, or both? ☒ Yes ☐ No
If yes:

i. Provide details including sources, time of day and duration: Heavy equipment during daytime construction hours. No noticeable changes in operational noise are anticipated following construction.

ii. Will the proposed action remove existing natural barriers that could act as a noise barrier or screen? ☒ Yes ☐ No
Describe: Tree removal will be required during construction. Clearing will be minimized to the smallest footprint required.

n. Will the proposed action have outdoor lighting? ☒ Yes ☐ No
If yes:

i. Describe source(s), location(s), height of fixture(s), direction/aim, and proximity to nearest occupied structures: The project will likely involve the installation of new exterior security lighting on new structures. Lights would be dark-sky compliant, and mounted about 8 to 10 feet high aiming downward. Exterior lighting is present for the existing treatment facility. The nearest residence is located about 450' northeast of the project area.

ii. Will proposed action remove existing natural barriers that could act as a light barrier or screen? ☒ Yes ☐ No
Describe: Tree removal will be required during construction. Clearing will be minimized to the smallest footprint required.

o. Does the proposed action have the potential to produce odors for more than one hour per day? ☒ Yes ☐ No
If Yes, describe possible sources, potential frequency and duration of odor emissions, and proximity to nearest occupied structures: The sanitary wastewater treatment process inherently produces odors. No noticeable changes in odor generation are anticipated compared to current operations. Odor controls will be maintained on site. The nearest residence is located about 450' northeast of the project area.

p. Will the proposed action include any bulk storage of petroleum (combined capacity of over 1,100 gallons) or chemical products 185 gallons in above ground storage or any amount in underground storage? ☒ Yes ☐ No
If Yes:

i. Product(s) to be stored Bulk chemical storage anticipated including hypochlorite, ferric chloride or polyaluminum chloride, and a bulk alkalinity source (TBD).

ii. Volume(s) TBD per unit time TBD (e.g., month, year)

iii. Generally, describe the proposed storage facilities: A new chemical storage building will be constructed as part of the project, which will meet CBS requirements.

q. Will the proposed action (commercial, industrial and recreational projects only) use pesticides (i.e., herbicides, insecticides) during construction or operation? ☐ Yes ☒ No
If Yes:

i. Describe proposed treatment(s):

ii. Will the proposed action use Integrated Pest Management Practices? ☐ Yes ☐ No

r. Will the proposed action (commercial or industrial projects only) involve or require the management or disposal of solid waste (excluding hazardous materials)? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If Yes:

i. Describe any solid waste(s) to be generated during construction or operation of the facility:

- Construction: TBD tons per _____ (unit of time)
- Operation : TBD tons per _____ (unit of time)

ii. Describe any proposals for on-site minimization, recycling or reuse of materials to avoid disposal as solid waste:

- Construction: Recyclable materials will be separated from waste during construction and appropriately disposed.

- Operation: Biosolids to be anaerobically digested on site prior to disposal (as they are currently)

iii. Proposed disposal methods/facilities for solid waste generated on-site:

- Construction: Regulated landfill

- Operation: Digested biosolids to be disposed of in a regulated landfill (consistent with current operations)

s. Does the proposed action include construction or modification of a solid waste management facility? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes:

i. Type of management or handling of waste proposed for the site (e.g., recycling or transfer station, composting, landfill, or other disposal activities): _____

ii. Anticipated rate of disposal/processing:

- _____ Tons/month, if transfer or other non-combustion/thermal treatment, or
- _____ Tons/hour, if combustion or thermal treatment

iii. If landfill, anticipated site life: _____ years

t. Will the proposed action at the site involve the commercial generation, treatment, storage, or disposal of hazardous waste? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes:

i. Name(s) of all hazardous wastes or constituents to be generated, handled, or managed at facility: _____

ii. Generally describe processes or activities involving hazardous wastes or constituents: _____

iii. Specify amount to be handled or generated _____ tons/month

iv. Describe any proposals for on-site minimization, recycling, or reuse of hazardous constituents: _____

v. Will any hazardous wastes be disposed at an existing offsite hazardous waste facility?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes: provide name and location of facility: _____

If No: describe proposed management of any hazardous wastes which will not be sent to a hazardous waste facility: _____

E. Site and Setting of Proposed Action

E.1. Land uses on and surrounding the project site

a. Existing land uses.

i. Check all uses that occur on, adjoining and near the project site.

- ☒ Urban
 ☒ Industrial
 ☒ Commercial
 ☒ Residential (suburban)
 ☐ Rural (non-farm)

☒ Forest
 ☐ Agriculture
 ☒ Aquatic

☒ Other (specify): Wastewater treatment plant

ii. If mix of uses, generally describe:

The project area includes the existing Rome WRRF facility limits and an adjacent vacant parcel that is owned by the City, which was formerly a mobile home park but now contains unmaintained herbaceous/shrub cover. Surrounding lands include vacant forest abutting the Erie Canal to the south, industrial and commercial uses to the west/north, and residential uses to the northeast and northwest.

b. Land uses and cover types on the project site.

Land use or Cover type	Current Acreage	Acreage After Project Completion	Change (Acres +/-)
• Roads, buildings, and other paved or impervious surfaces (total)	10	~13.5	+3.5
• Industrial or manufacturing	0	0	0
• Commercial	0	0	0
• Residential	0	0	0
• Forested	2	~1.5	-0.5
• Meadows, grasslands or brushlands (non-agricultural, including abandoned agricultural)	9	~6.5	-2.5
• Agricultural (includes active orchards, field, greenhouse, etc.)	0	0	0
• Surface water features (lakes, ponds, streams, rivers, etc.)	0	0	0
• Wetlands (freshwater or tidal)	0	0	0
• Non-vegetated (bare rock, earth, or fill)	0	0	0
• Other, Describe: <u>Maintained lawn cover</u>	3.9	~3.4	-0.5

c. Is the project site presently used by members of the community for public recreation? ☐ Yes ☒ No
i. If Yes, explain: _____

d. Are there any facilities serving children, the elderly, people with disabilities (e.g., schools, hospitals, licensed day care centers, or group homes) within 1500 feet of the project site? ☐ Yes ☒ No
If Yes,
i. Identify facilities: _____

e. Does the project site contain an existing dam? ☐ Yes ☒ No
If Yes:
i. Dimensions of the dam and impoundment:
• Dam height: _____ feet
• Dam length: _____ feet
• Surface area: _____ acres
• Volume impounded: _____ gallons OR acre-feet
ii. Dam's existing hazard classification: _____
iii. Provide date and summarize results of last inspection: _____

f. Has the project site ever been used as a municipal, commercial or industrial solid waste management facility, or does the project site adjoin property that is now, or was at one time, used as a solid waste management facility? ☐ Yes ☒ No
If Yes:
i. Has the facility been formally closed? ☐ Yes ☐ No
• If Yes, cite sources/documentation: _____
ii. Describe the location of the project site relative to the boundaries of the solid waste management facility: _____

iii. Describe any development constraints due to the prior solid waste activities: _____

g. Have hazardous wastes been generated, treated and/or disposed of at the site, or does the project site adjoin property which is now or was at one time used to commercially treat, store and/or dispose of hazardous waste? ☐ Yes ☒ No
If Yes:
i. Describe waste(s) handled and waste management activities, including approximate time when activities occurred: _____

h. Potential contamination history. Has there been a reported spill at the proposed project site, or have any remedial actions been conducted at or adjacent to the proposed site? ☒ Yes ☐ No
If Yes:
i. Is any portion of the site listed on the NYSDEC Spills Incidents database or Environmental Site Remediation database? Check all that apply: ☐ Yes ☒ No
☐ Yes – Spills Incidents database Provide DEC ID number(s): _____
☐ Yes – Environmental Site Remediation database Provide DEC ID number(s): _____
☒ Neither database
ii. If site has been subject of RCRA corrective activities, describe control measures: _____
N/A
iii. Is the project within 2000 feet of any site in the NYSDEC Environmental Site Remediation database? ☒ Yes ☐ No
If Yes, provide DEC ID number(s): 633006
iv. If Yes to (i), (ii) or (iii) above, describe current status of site(s): _____

A parcel associated with remediation site 633006 (Giffins Air Force Base) is about 200' west of the project site at its closest point. Remediation is ongoing for several groundwater plumes. Hazardous wastes were disposed on site from 1940-1974. Contaminants of concern include PCBs, PFAS, PFOS, heavy metals, waste oil and solvents. Many areas of concern have already been remediated.

v. Is the project site subject to an institutional control limiting property uses? ☐ Yes ☒ No

- If Yes, DEC site ID number: _____
- Describe the type of institutional control (e.g., deed restriction or easement): _____
- Describe any use limitations: _____
- Describe any engineering controls: _____
- Will the project affect the institutional or engineering controls in place? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- Explain: _____

E.2. Natural Resources On or Near Project Site

a. What is the average depth to bedrock on the project site? 26.5 feet

b. Are there bedrock outcroppings on the project site? ☐ Yes ☒ No
If Yes, what proportion of the site is comprised of bedrock outcroppings? _____ %

c. Predominant soil type(s) present on project site:

Alton-Urban Land Complex, 0-3% slopes	<u>96.5</u>	<u>0%</u>
Udorthents, smoothed	<u>3.5</u>	<u>0%</u>
		<u>0%</u>

d. What is the average depth to the water table on the project site? Average: Approx. 6 feet

e. Drainage status of project site soils:

Well Drained:	<u>96.5</u>	% of site
Moderately Well Drained:	<u>3.5</u>	% of site
Poorly Drained		% of site

f. Approximate proportion of proposed action site with slopes:

0-10%:	<u>100</u>	% of site
10-15%:		% of site
15% or greater:		% of site

g. Are there any unique geologic features on the project site? ☐ Yes ☒ No
If Yes, describe: _____

h. Surface water features.

i. Does any portion of the project site contain wetlands or other waterbodies (including streams, rivers, ponds, or lakes)? ☐ Yes ☒ No

ii. Do any wetlands or other waterbodies adjoin the project site? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If Yes to either i or ii, continue. If No, skip to E.2.i.

iii. Are any of the wetlands or waterbodies within or adjoining the project site regulated by any federal, state or local agency? ☒ Yes ☐ No

iv. For each identified regulated wetland and waterbody on the project site, provide the following information:

• Streams:	Name <u>N/A</u>	Classification _____
• Lakes or Ponds:	Name <u>N/A</u>	Classification _____
• Wetlands:	Name <u>NYSDEC Informational Wetland</u>	Approximate Size <u>Approx. 26 ac total (outside project area)</u>
• Wetland No. (if regulated by DEC)	<u>No previously mapped wetlands located w/in 100' of site.</u>	

v. Are any of the above water bodies listed in the most recent compilation of NYS water quality-impaired waterbodies? ☐ Yes ☒ No
If Yes, name of impaired water body/bodies and basis for listing as impaired: _____

i. Is the project site in a designated Floodway? ☐ Yes ☒ No

j. Is the project site in the 100-year Floodplain? ☐ Yes ☒ No

k. Is the project site in the 500-year Floodplain? ☒ Yes ☐ No

l. Is the project site located over, or immediately adjoining, a primary, principal or sole source aquifer? ☒ Yes ☐ No
If Yes:

i. Name of aquifer: Principal aquifer - unconfined

m. Identify the predominant wildlife species that occupy or use the project site:		
Gray squirrel _____	Striped skunk _____	Mice _____
<u>White-tailed deer</u>	<u>Canada goose</u>	<u>Raccoon</u>

n. Does the project site contain a designated significant natural community? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes:

i. Describe the habitat/community (composition, function, and basis for designation): _____

ii. Source(s) of description or evaluation: _____

iii. Extent of community/habitat:

- Currently: _____ acres
- Following completion of project as proposed: _____ acres
- Gain or loss (indicate + or -): _____ acres

o. Does project site contain any species of plant or animal that is listed by the federal government or NYS as endangered or threatened, or does it contain any areas identified as habitat for an endangered or threatened species? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If Yes:

i. Species and listing (endangered or threatened): _____

USFWS IPaC Records: Northern Long-eared Bat (*Myotis septentrionalis*, endangered), Tricolored Bat (*Perimyotis subflavus*, proposed endangered), Monarch Butterfly (*Danaus plexippus*, proposed threatened)

No records reported by the NYSDEC ERM.

p. Does the project site contain any species of plant or animal that is listed by NYS as rare, or as a species of special concern? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes:

i. Species and listing: _____

q. Is the project site or adjoining area currently used for hunting, trapping, fishing or shell fishing? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, give a brief description of how the proposed action may affect that use: _____

E.3. Designated Public Resources On or Near Project Site

a. Is the project site, or any portion of it, located in a designated agricultural district certified pursuant to Agriculture and Markets Law, Article 25-AA, Section 303 and 304? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, provide county plus district name/number: _____

b. Are agricultural lands consisting of highly productive soils present? ☐ Yes ☒ No

i. If Yes: acreage(s) on project site? _____

ii. Source(s) of soil rating(s): _____

c. Does the project site contain all or part of, or is it substantially contiguous to, a registered National Natural Landmark? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes:

i. Nature of the natural landmark: ☐ Biological Community ☐ Geological Feature

ii. Provide brief description of landmark, including values behind designation and approximate size/extent: _____

d. Is the project site located in or does it adjoin a state listed Critical Environmental Area? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes:

i. CEA name: _____

ii. Basis for designation: _____

iii. Designating agency and date: _____

e. Does the project site contain, or is it substantially contiguous to, a building, archaeological site, or district listed on the National or State Register of Historic Places, or that has been determined by the Commissioner of the NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation to be eligible for listing on the State Register of Historic Places? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If Yes:

i. Nature of historic/archaeological resource: ☐ Archaeological Site ☒ Historic Building or District

ii. Name: 14NRO6559 - NYS Barge Canal Historic District (250' to 350' south of project area)

iii. Brief description of attributes on which listing is based:
Historic District listed on NYS and National Registers of Historic Places

f. Is the project site, or any portion of it, located in or adjacent to an area designated as sensitive for archaeological sites on the New York State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) archaeological site inventory? ☐ Yes ☒ No

g. Have additional archaeological or historic site(s) or resources been identified on the project site? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes:

i. Describe possible resource(s): _____

ii. Basis for identification: _____

h. Is the project site within five miles of any officially designated and publicly accessible federal, state, or local scenic, or aesthetic resource? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If Yes:

i. Identify resource: Five Canals/Mohawk River, multiple municipal parks (Halls Hollow Park, Floyd Town Park, Guyer Park, Hazleton Wright Park, Franklin Field, Pinil Field, Eddy Park), Fort Stanwix National Monument, Oriskany Battlefield State Historic Site, Rome State Fish Hatchery, Rome State Wildlife Management Area, and Oriskany Falls State Wildlife Management Area

ii. Nature of, or basis for, designation (e.g., established highway overlook, state or local park, state historic trail, or scenic byway, etc.): Navigable waterbodies, municipal/state/federal recreational resources

iii. Distance between project and resource: 0.05-5 miles.

i. Is the project site located within a designated river corridor under the Wild, Scenic and Recreational Rivers Program 6 NYCRR 666? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes:

i. Identify the name of the river and its designation: _____

ii. Is the activity consistent with development restrictions contained in 6NYCRR Part 666? ☐ Yes ☐ No

E.4. Disadvantaged Communities Designated Pursuant to ECL Article 75

a. Is the project located within, or within ½-mile of, a disadvantaged community? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If No, could impacts (see examples below in E.4.b) from the project affect a disadvantaged community? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes to either question in E.4.a, answer the remaining questions in this section.

b. Will there be direct or indirect impacts that may affect a disadvantaged community, such as those listed below? ☒ Yes ☐ No

i. new noise sources or expansions/modification of existing noise sources;

- noise from operational sources

- noise from construction activities

ii. emissions of air pollutants, including mobile emissions;

iii. wastewater discharges;

iv. generation of odors;

v. light pollution;

vi. new or modified radiation sources;

vii. new or modified sources of solid waste generation, management, or disposal.

If Yes, describe the impacts: Project will involve construction-related noise impacts (temporary), additional off-site waste disposal to landfill, air emissions requiring modification to existing NYSDEC Air Registration, new site lighting, and wastewater treatment capacity increase to existing plant. No noticeable changes to existing odor generation or operational noise anticipated off site. Potential impacts to DAC will be further evaluated in FEAF parts 2 and 3.

c. Do any of the state agency approvals identified in question B.g include any of the following DEC permits?

State Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (SPDES)	☒ Yes	☐ No
Solid Waste Management Facility	☐ Yes	☒ No
Hazardous Waste Management Facility	☐ Yes	☒ No
Air Pollution Control (Title V or Air State Facility)	☐ Yes	☒ No
Water Withdrawal over 20 MGD for Cooling Water	☐ Yes	☒ No
Waste Transporter	☐ Yes	☒ No

*Project requires modification to City's existing NYS Air Facility Registration; site does not require a Title V or Air State Facility permit.

E.5 Future Physical Climate Risks

Will the proposed action be vulnerable to the following future physical climate risks under current or projected future conditions:

- | | | |
|---|------------------------------|---|
| a. Is the proposed action vulnerable to damage from a projected 100-year flood? | ☐ Yes | ☒ No |
| b. Is the proposed action vulnerable to damage from a projected 500-year flood? | ☐ Yes | ☒ No |
| c. Is the proposed action in an area potentially affected by sea level rise? | ☐ Yes | ☒ No |
| d. Will the proposed action increase the vulnerability of human or ecological communities to the following: | | |
| i. drought? | ☐ Yes | ☒ No |
| ii. temperature extremes (hot or cold)? | ☐ Yes | ☒ No |
| iii. extreme storms, including high winds? | ☐ Yes | ☒ No |
| iv. landslides? | ☐ Yes | ☒ No |
| v. coastal erosion? | ☐ Yes | ☒ No |
| vi. stormwater flooding? | ☐ Yes | ☒ No |
| vii. other climate or weather hazards? | ☐ Yes | ☒ No. If Yes, describe: _____ |

F. Additional Information

Attach any additional information which may be needed to clarify your project.

If you have identified any adverse impacts which could be associated with your proposal, please describe those impacts plus any measures which you propose to avoid or minimize them.

G. Verification

I certify that the information provided is true to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant/Sponsor Name Jeffrey Lanigan Date _____

Signature _____ Title Mayor

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**City of Rome WRRF Expansion Project – Summary of Proposed New Structures
Conceptual Design Sizing**

New Facilities		
Name	Preliminary Size	Height
Headworks	44' x 50'	25'
Leachate Receiving	18' x 32'	18'
HSOW/Septage Receiving	50' x 50'	25'
MBR Chem/Blower Bldg	100' x 115'	15'
Nitrite Ox. Chem Bldg	25' x 20'	15'
Solids Bldg. Addition	30' x 63'	25'
Admin Building	50' x 80'	15'

New Structures		
Name	Preliminary Size	Preliminary Capacity
Leachate Tank	42' dia.	250,000 gallons
HSOW Tank	55' dia.	325,000 gallons
Vortex Grit Tank	18' dia.	N/A
Distribution Box	20' x 55'	N/A
MBR Tanks	75' x 190'	6 tanks, 210,000 gallons each - mostly below grade
Nitrite Oxidation Tank	25' x 50'	100,000 gallons - mostly below grade
Gravity Thickener	30' dia.	63,000 gallons - mostly below grade
Anaerobic Digester	120' dia.	1,740,000 gallons

CITY OF ROME
WATER RESOURCE RECOVERY FACILITY
EXPANSION AND OPTIMIZATION MASTER PLAN

MBR Conceptual
Design Layout

LEGEND

- MILESTONE 1 (12.0 MGD)
- MILESTONE 2A (15.2 MGD)
- MILESTONE 2B (18.0 MGD)
- ASSET RENEWAL, REVENUE GENERATION, & ENERGY OPTIMIZATION
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Full Environmental Assessment Form
Part 1 - Project and Setting

Instructions for Completing Part 1

Part 1 is to be completed by the applicant or project sponsor. Responses become part of the application for approval or funding, are subject to public review, and may be subject to further verification.

Complete Part 1 based on information currently available. If additional research or investigation would be needed to fully respond to any item, please answer as thoroughly as possible based on current information; indicate whether missing information does not exist, or is not reasonably available to the sponsor; and, when possible, generally describe work or studies that would be necessary to update or fully develop that information.

Applicants/sponsors must complete all items in Sections A & B. In Sections C, D & E, most items contain an initial question that must be answered either "Yes" or "No." If the answer to the initial question is "Yes," complete the following sub-questions. If the answer to the initial question is "No," proceed to the next question. Section F allows the project sponsor to identify and attach additional information. Section G requires the name and signature of the applicant or project sponsor to verify the information in Part 1 is accurate and complete.

A. Project and Applicant/Sponsor Information.

Name of Action or Project: City of Rome Water Resource Recovery Facility Expansion Project		
Project Location (describe and attach a general location map): 7180 Lower East Dominick Street, Rome, NY 13440		
Brief Description of Proposed Action (include purpose or need): The proposed project involves the expansion of the existing City of Rome Water Resource Recovery Facility (WRRF) to support anticipated industrial growth within the service area. The project includes construction of new treatment infrastructure and expansion of existing facilities within an expanded plant boundary that incorporates an adjacent parcel recently acquired by the City. Major components of the project include a new headworks building with screening and grit removal systems, new secondary treatment tanks, a new blower building, installation of additional wastewater treatment equipment, expansion of the existing dewatering building, and construction of a new digestion tank. The project will also include installation of new site utilities, including wastewater conveyance piping, and associated site work. All improvements will occur within the limits of the expanded WRRF property. A conceptual site plan is provided in Figure 1.		
Name of Applicant/Sponsor: City of Rome, Jeffrey Lanigan - Mayor		Telephone: (315) 336-6000
Address: 198 N Washington Street		E-Mail: jlanigan@romeny.gov
City/PO: Rome	State: NY	Zip Code: 13440
Project Contact (if not same as sponsor, give name and title/role): Barton & Loguidice, D.P.C. - Grete Day, Environmental Scientist		Telephone: (315) 457-5200
Address: 443 Electronics Parkway		E-Mail: gday@bartonandloguidice.com
City/PO: Liverpool	State: NY	Zip Code: 13088
Property Owner (if not same as sponsor):		Telephone:
		E-Mail:
Address:		
City/PO:	State:	Zip Code:

B. Government Approvals

B. Government Approvals, Funding, or Sponsorship. ("Funding" includes grants, loans, tax relief, and any other forms of financial assistance.)

Government Entity	If Yes: Identify Agency and Approval(s) Required	Application Date (Actual or projected)
a. City Council, Town Board. ☒ Yes ☐ No or Village Board of Trustees	City of Rome (project sponsor)	Summer 2026
b. City, Town or Village ☐ Yes ☒ No Planning Board or Commission		
c. City, Town or ☐ Yes ☒ No Village Zoning Board of Appeals		
d. Other local agencies ☐ Yes ☒ No		
e. County agencies ☐ Yes ☒ No		
f. Regional agencies ☐ Yes ☒ No		
g. State agencies ☒ Yes ☐ No	NYSDEC (permits)	Fall 2026-Spring 2027
h. Federal agencies ☐ Yes ☒ No		
i. Coastal Resources.		
i. Is the project site within a Coastal Area or the waterfront area of a Designated Inland Waterway?		☐ Yes ☒ No
ii. Is the project site located in a community with an approved Local Waterfront Revitalization Program?		☐ Yes ☒ No
iii. Is the project site within a Coastal Erosion Hazard Area?		☐ Yes ☒ No

C. Planning and Zoning

C.1. Planning and zoning actions.

Will administrative or legislative adoption, or amendment of a plan, local law, ordinance, rule, or regulation be the only approval(s) that must be granted to enable the proposed action to proceed? ☐ Yes ☒ No

- If Yes, complete sections C, F and G.
- If No, proceed to question C.2 and complete all remaining sections and questions in Part I

C.2. Adopted land use plans.

a. Do any municipally adopted (city, town, village, or county) comprehensive land use plan(s) include the site where the proposed action would be located? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, does the comprehensive plan include specific recommendations for the site where the proposed action would be located? ☒ Yes ☐ No

b. Is the site of the proposed action within any local or regional special planning district (for example: Greenway; Brownfield Opportunity Area (BOA); designated State or Federal heritage area; watershed management plan; or other?) ☒ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, identify the plan(s):

Erie Canalway National Heritage Corridor

c. Is the proposed action located wholly or partially within an area listed in an adopted municipal open space plan or an adopted municipal farmland protection plan? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, identify the plan(s):

d. Is the proposed action in a municipality with an adopted comprehensive or individual plan that addresses climate change? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, identify the elements of the plan that are relevant to the action:

C.3. Zoning

a. Is the site of the proposed action located in a municipality with an adopted zoning law or ordinance? ☒ Yes ☐ No
If Yes, what is the zoning classification(s) including any applicable overlay district?

IG- General Industrial

b. Is the use permitted or allowed by a special or conditional use permit? ☐ Yes ☒ No

c. Is a zoning change requested as part of the proposed action? ☐ Yes ☒ No
If Yes, What is the proposed new zoning for the site? _____

C.4. Existing community services.

a. In what school district is the project site located? Rome City School District

b. What police or other public protection forces serve the project site?
City of Rome Police Department

c. Which fire protection and emergency medical services serve the project site?
City of Rome Fire Department

d. What parks serve the project site?

Nearby recreational resources include multiple municipal parks (Hollis Hewitt Park, Floyd Town Park, Guyer Park, Hazelton Wright Park, Franklyn Field, Pinti Field, Eddy Park), Fort Stanwix National Monument, Oriskany Battlefield State Historic Site, Rome State Fish Hatchery, Rome State Wildlife Management Area, and Oriskany Flats State Wildlife Management Area

D. Project Details

D.1. Proposed and Potential Development

a. What is the general nature of the proposed action (e.g., residential, industrial, commercial, recreational; if mixed, include all components)? Municipal wastewater treatment facility expansion

b. a. Total acreage of the site of the proposed action? 24.9 acres

b. Total acreage to be physically disturbed? Approx. 10 acres

c. Total acreage (project site and any contiguous properties) owned or controlled by the applicant or project sponsor? 24.9 acres

c. Is the proposed action an expansion of an existing project or use? ☒ Yes ☐ No

i. If Yes, what is the approximate percentage of the proposed expansion and identify the units (e.g., acres, miles, housing units, square feet)? % 50 Units: Treatment capacity (MGD of wastewater flows)

d. Is the proposed action a subdivision, or does it include a subdivision? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes,

i. Purpose or type of subdivision? (e.g., residential, industrial, commercial; if mixed, specify types)

ii. Is a cluster/conservation layout proposed? ☐ Yes ☐ No

iii. Number of lots proposed? _____

iv. Minimum and maximum proposed lot sizes? Minimum _____ Maximum _____

e. Will the proposed action be constructed in multiple phases? ☐ Yes ☒ No

i. If No, anticipated period of construction: 46 months

ii. If Yes:

- Total number of phases anticipated _____
- Anticipated commencement date of phase I (including demolition) _____ month _____ year
- Anticipated completion date of final phase _____ month _____ year
- Generally describe connections or relationships among phases, including any contingencies where progress of one phase may determine timing or duration of future phases: _____

f. Does the project include new residential uses? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, show numbers of units proposed.

	<u>One Family</u>	<u>Two Family</u>	<u>Three Family</u>	<u>Multiple Family (four or more)</u>
Initial Phase	_____	_____	_____	_____
At completion	_____	_____	_____	_____
of all phases	_____	_____	_____	_____

g. Does the proposed action include new non-residential construction (including expansions)? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, 15 *See attached list of proposed facilities/tanks and approximate dimensions.

i. Total number of structures 15

ii. Dimensions (in feet) of largest proposed structure: 15 height; 100 width; and 115 length MBR chemical/blower bldg.

iii. Approximate extent of building space to be heated or cooled: 11,500 square feet

h. Does the proposed action include construction or other activities that will result in the impoundment of any liquids, such as creation of a water supply, reservoir, pond, lake, waste lagoon or other storage? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If Yes,

i. Purpose of the impoundment: Wastewater treatment process tanks

ii. If a water impoundment, the principal source of the water: ☐ Ground water ☐ Surface water streams ☒ Other specify: Sanitary wastewater

iii. If other than water, identify the type of impounded/contained liquids and their source. N/A

iv. Approximate size of the proposed impoundment. Volume: _____ million gallons; surface area: _____ acres

v. Dimensions of the proposed dam or impounding structure: _____ height; _____ length *See attached list of proposed tanks and approximate dimensions/volumes.

vi. Construction method/materials for the proposed dam or impounding structure (e.g., earth fill, rock, wood, concrete): Concrete

D.2. Project Operations

a. Does the proposed action include any excavation, mining, or dredging, during construction, operations, or both? ☒ Yes ☐ No
(Not including general site preparation, grading or installation of utilities or foundations where all excavated materials will remain onsite)

If Yes:

i. What is the purpose of the excavation or dredging? Excavation for new tanks and structures

ii. How much material (including rock, earth, sediments, etc.) is proposed to be removed from the site?

- Volume (specify tons or cubic yards): TBD
- Over what duration of time? TBD

iii. Describe nature and characteristics of materials to be excavated or dredged, and plans to use, manage or dispose of them. Existing soils on site; materials will be reused for general site grading if possible, excess materials to be disposed off-site in approved location.

iv. Will there be onsite dewatering or processing of excavated materials? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If yes, describe. If a shallow water table is encountered during construction, excavated materials would be dewatered on site in accordance with SWPPP/NYSDEC SPDES G3 requirements.

v. What is the total area to be dredged or excavated? TBD acres

vi. What is the maximum area to be worked at any one time? TBD acres

vii. What would be the maximum depth of excavation or dredging? TBD feet

viii. Will the excavation require blasting? ☐ Yes ☒ No

ix. Summarize site reclamation goals and plan: Site to be permanently regraded and stabilized following completion of construction in accordance with design plans.

b. Would the proposed action cause or result in alteration of, increase or decrease in size of, or encroachment into any existing wetland, waterbody, shoreline, beach or adjacent area? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes:

- i. Identify the wetland or waterbody which would be affected (by name, water index number, wetland map number or geographic description): _____

ii. Describe how the proposed action would affect that waterbody or wetland, e.g., excavation, fill, placement of structures, or alteration of channels, banks, and shorelines. Indicate extent of activities, alterations and additions in square feet or acres: _____

iii. Will the proposed action cause or result in disturbance to bottom sediments?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, describe: _____

iv. Will the proposed action cause or result in the destruction or removal of aquatic vegetation?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes:

- acres of aquatic vegetation proposed to be removed: _____
- expected acreage of aquatic vegetation remaining after project completion: _____
- purpose of proposed removal (e.g. beach clearing, invasive species control, boat access): _____
- proposed method of plant removal: _____
- if chemical/herbicide treatment will be used, specify product(s): _____

v. Describe any proposed reclamation/mitigation following disturbance: _____

c. Will the proposed action use, or create a new demand for water?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes:

i. Total anticipated water usage/demand per day: _____ gallons/day

ii. Will the proposed action obtain water from an existing public water supply?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes:

- Name of district or service area: _____
- Does the existing public water supply have capacity to serve the proposal? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- Is the project site in the existing district? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- Is expansion of the district needed? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- Do existing lines serve the project site? ☐ Yes ☐ No

iii. Will line extension within an existing district be necessary to supply the project?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes:

- Describe extensions or capacity expansions proposed to serve this project: _____
- Source(s) of supply for the district: _____

iv. Is a new water supply district or service area proposed to be formed to serve the project site?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes:

- Applicant/sponsor for new district: _____
- Date application submitted or anticipated: _____
- Proposed source(s) of supply for new district: _____

v. If a public water supply will not be used, describe plans to provide water supply for the project: _____

vi. If water supply will be from wells (public or private), what is the maximum pumping capacity: _____ gallons/minute.

d. Will the proposed action generate liquid wastes?

☒ Yes ☐ No

If Yes:

- i. Total anticipated liquid waste generation per day: 18 million gallons/day **18 MGD upon completion of final phase; current permitted treatment capacity of WRRF is 12 MGD**
- ii. Nature of liquid wastes to be generated (e.g., sanitary wastewater, industrial; if combination, describe all components and approximate volumes or proportions of each): Sanitary and industrial wastewater

iii. Will the proposed action use any existing public wastewater treatment facilities?

☒ Yes ☐ No

If Yes:

- Name of wastewater treatment plant to be used: City of Rome WRRF
- Name of district: City of Rome Sewer District
- Does the existing wastewater treatment plant have capacity to serve the project? Project involves expansion of existing WRRF ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A
- Is the project site in the existing district? ☒ Yes ☐ No
- Is expansion of the district needed? ☐ Yes ☒ No

- Do existing sewer lines serve the project site? ☒ Yes ☐ No

- Will a line extension within an existing district be necessary to serve the project? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes:

- Describe extensions or capacity expansions proposed to serve this project: _____

iv. Will a new wastewater (sewage) treatment district be formed to serve the project site?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes:

- Applicant/sponsor for new district: _____
- Date application submitted or anticipated: _____
- What is the receiving water for the wastewater discharge? _____

v. If public facilities will not be used, describe plans to provide wastewater treatment for the project, including specifying proposed receiving water (name and classification if surface discharge or describe subsurface disposal plans):

N/A

vi. Describe any plans or designs to capture, recycle or reuse liquid waste: _____

Wastewater will be treated at the WRRF, treated effluent will be discharged to the Mohawk River/Barge Canal south of the project area, as it is currently. No changes to the effluent outfall are proposed. Liquid waste will not be reused/recycled.

e. Will the proposed action disturb more than one acre and create stormwater runoff, either from new point sources (i.e. ditches, pipes, swales, curbs, gutters or other concentrated flows of stormwater) or non-point source (i.e., sheet flow) during construction or post construction?

☒ Yes ☐ No

If Yes:

i. How much impervious surface will the project create in relation to total size of project parcel?

_____ Square feet or 3.5 acres (impervious surface)

_____ Square feet or 24.9 acres (parcel size)

ii. Describe types of new point sources. _____

No new point sources; additional sheet flow runoff from increased impervious area (new structures, paved surfaces)

iii. Where will the stormwater runoff be directed (i.e. on-site stormwater management facility/structures, adjacent properties, groundwater, on-site surface water, or off-site surface waters)?

Existing and potential new (if required) on-site stormwater management facilities

- If to surface waters, identify receiving water bodies or wetlands: _____

Stormwater management facilities ultimately drain to Mohawk River/Barge Canal south of project area

- Will stormwater runoff flow to adjacent properties? ☐ Yes ☒ No

iv. Does the proposed plan minimize impervious surfaces, use pervious materials or collect and re-use stormwater? ☐ Yes ☒ No

f. Does the proposed action include, or will it use on-site, one or more sources of air emissions, including fuel combustion, waste incineration, or other processes or operations? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, identify:

i. Mobile sources during project operations (e.g., heavy equipment, fleet or delivery vehicles)
Heavy equipment operations _____

ii. Stationary sources during construction (e.g., power generation, structural heating, batch plant, crushers)
Heavy equipment use during construction _____

iii. Stationary sources during operations (e.g., process emissions, boilers, electric generation, surface coating)
Process emissions (biogas from digester operations). Emissions to be controlled w/ waste gas flare or be beneficially used. _____

g. Will any air emission sources named in D.2.f (above), require an Air Facility Registration, Air State Facility Permit, Title IV Permit or Title V Permit? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If Yes:

i. Is the proposed action subject to the Nonattainment New Source Review or Prevention of Significant Deterioration requirements discussed in 6 NYCRR Part 231? ☐ Yes ☒ No

ii. As calculated in the air permit application, the proposed action has the potential to emit:

- _____ Tons/year (short tons) of carbon monoxide (CO)
- _____ Tons/year (short tons) of oxides of nitrogen (NO_x)
- _____ Tons/year (short tons) of particulate matter (PM-10, PM-2.5)
- _____ Tons/year (short tons) of volatile organic compounds (VOC)
- _____ Tons/year (short tons) of sulfur dioxide (SO₂)

Emissions TBD - calculations to be done during detailed design phase

iii. Will emissions of air contaminants from the proposed action described above exceed the corresponding major source thresholds? ☐ Yes ☒ No

iv. Does the proposed action have the potential to emit 10 tons/year or more of any one designated hazardous air pollutant or 25 tons/year or more of any combination of such hazardous air pollutants (6 NYCRR 200.1(ag))? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, provide the total potential to emit hazardous air pollutants in short tons/year: _____

h. Will the proposed action generate or emit annual direct and indirect greenhouse gas emissions, such as carbon dioxide, methane, nitrous oxide, sulfur hexafluoride, hydrofluorocarbons, or perfluorocarbons in excess of 10,000 metric tons of total carbon dioxide equivalents per year at any point in the lifetime of the proposed action (estimated using the carbon dioxide equivalent definition and global warming potentials provided in 6 NYCRR Part 496)? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Emissions and controls TBD - calculations to be done during detailed design phase

If Yes:

i. Estimate the proposed action's metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalents in tons/year (metric): TBD

ii. Describe any greenhouse gas capture, control, or elimination measures included in project design: TBD

i. Will the proposed action result in the release of air pollutants from open-air operations or processes, such as quarry or landfill operations? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes: Describe operations and nature of emissions (e.g., diesel exhaust, rock particulates/dust): _____

j. Will the proposed action result in a substantial increase in traffic above present levels or generate substantial new demand for transportation facilities or services? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Note: Additional truck trips will be associated with the proposed upgrades (currently 2-3 trucks per day hauling to the plant, which would increase to approx. 15 trucks per day). One additional truck trip per day for cake hauling off site is also anticipated. Substantial increase in traffic not anticipated as the increase is well below 100 peak hour trips per day.

If Yes:

i. When is the peak traffic expected (Check all that apply): ☐ Morning ☐ Evening ☐ Weekend
Randomly between hours of _____ to _____

ii. For commercial activities only, projected number of truck trips/day and type (e.g., semi trailers and dump trucks): _____

iii. Parking spaces: Existing _____ Proposed _____ Net increase/decrease _____

iv. Does the proposed action include any shared use parking? ☐ Yes ☐ No

v. If the proposed action includes any modification of existing roads, creation of new roads or change in existing access, describe: _____

vi. Are public/private transportation service(s) or facilities available within ½ mile of the proposed site? ☐ Yes ☐ No

vii. Will the proposed action include access to public transportation or accommodations for use of hybrid, electric or other alternative fueled vehicles? ☐ Yes ☐ No

viii. Will the proposed action include plans for pedestrian or bicycle accommodations for connections to existing pedestrian or bicycle routes? ☐ Yes ☐ No

k. Will the proposed action (for commercial or industrial projects only) generate new or additional energy demand? ☒ Yes ☐ No
If Yes:

i. Estimate annual electricity demand during operation of the proposed action: TBD

ii. Anticipated sources/suppliers of electricity for the project (e.g., on-site combustion, on-site renewable, via grid/local utility, or other): Local utility grid

iii. Will the proposed action require a new, or an upgrade, to an existing substation? ☐ Yes ☒ No

l. Hours of operation. Answer all items which apply.

i. During Construction:

- Monday - Friday: 7AM-5PM
- Saturday: N/A
- Sunday: N/A
- Holidays: N/A

ii. During Operations: Note: WRRF is staffed 6 days/week for 8 hours; operations are ongoing 24/7.

- Monday - Friday: 24/7 facility operation
- Saturday: 24/7 facility operation
- Sunday: 24/7 facility operation
- Holidays: 24/7 facility operation

m. Will the proposed action produce noise that will exceed existing ambient noise levels during construction, operation, or both? ☒ Yes ☐ No
If yes:

i. Provide details including sources, time of day and duration: Heavy equipment during daytime construction hours. No noticeable changes in operational noise are anticipated following construction.

ii. Will the proposed action remove existing natural barriers that could act as a noise barrier or screen? ☒ Yes ☐ No
Describe: Tree removal will be required during construction. Clearing will be minimized to the smallest footprint required.

n. Will the proposed action have outdoor lighting? ☒ Yes ☐ No
If yes:

i. Describe source(s), location(s), height of fixture(s), direction/aim, and proximity to nearest occupied structures: The project will likely involve the installation of new exterior security lighting on new structures. Lights would be dark-sky compliant, and mounted about 8 to 10 feet high aiming downward. Exterior lighting is present for the existing treatment facility. The nearest residence is located about 450' northeast of the project area.

ii. Will proposed action remove existing natural barriers that could act as a light barrier or screen? ☒ Yes ☐ No
Describe: Tree removal will be required during construction. Clearing will be minimized to the smallest footprint required.

o. Does the proposed action have the potential to produce odors for more than one hour per day? ☒ Yes ☐ No
If Yes, describe possible sources, potential frequency and duration of odor emissions, and proximity to nearest occupied structures: The sanitary wastewater treatment process inherently produces odors. No noticeable changes in odor generation are anticipated compared to current operations. Odor controls will be maintained on site. The nearest residence is located about 450' northeast of the project area.

p. Will the proposed action include any bulk storage of petroleum (combined capacity of over 1,100 gallons) or chemical products 185 gallons in above ground storage or any amount in underground storage? ☒ Yes ☐ No
If Yes:

i. Product(s) to be stored Bulk chemical storage anticipated including hypochlorite, ferric chloride or polyaluminum chloride, and a bulk alkalinity source (TBD).

ii. Volume(s) TBD per unit time TBD (e.g., month, year)

iii. Generally, describe the proposed storage facilities: A new chemical storage building will be constructed as part of the project, which will meet CBS requirements.

q. Will the proposed action (commercial, industrial and recreational projects only) use pesticides (i.e., herbicides, insecticides) during construction or operation? ☐ Yes ☒ No
If Yes:

i. Describe proposed treatment(s):

ii. Will the proposed action use Integrated Pest Management Practices? ☐ Yes ☐ No

r. Will the proposed action (commercial or industrial projects only) involve or require the management or disposal of solid waste (excluding hazardous materials)? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If Yes:

i. Describe any solid waste(s) to be generated during construction or operation of the facility:

- Construction: TBD tons per _____ (unit of time)
- Operation : TBD tons per _____ (unit of time)

ii. Describe any proposals for on-site minimization, recycling or reuse of materials to avoid disposal as solid waste:

- Construction: Recyclable materials will be separated from waste during construction and appropriately disposed

- Operation: Biosolids to be anaerobically digested on site prior to disposal (as they are currently)

iii. Proposed disposal methods/facilities for solid waste generated on-site:

- Construction: Regulated landfill

- Operation: Digested biosolids to be disposed of in a regulated landfill (consistent with current operations)

s. Does the proposed action include construction or modification of a solid waste management facility? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes:

i. Type of management or handling of waste proposed for the site (e.g., recycling or transfer station, composting, landfill, or other disposal activities): _____

ii. Anticipated rate of disposal/processing:

- _____ Tons/month, if transfer or other non-combustion/thermal treatment, or
- _____ Tons/hour, if combustion or thermal treatment

iii. If landfill, anticipated site life: _____ years

t. Will the proposed action at the site involve the commercial generation, treatment, storage, or disposal of hazardous waste? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes:

i. Name(s) of all hazardous wastes or constituents to be generated, handled, or managed at facility: _____

ii. Generally describe processes or activities involving hazardous wastes or constituents: _____

iii. Specify amount to be handled or generated _____ tons/month

iv. Describe any proposals for on-site minimization, recycling, or reuse of hazardous constituents: _____

v. Will any hazardous wastes be disposed at an existing offsite hazardous waste facility?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes: provide name and location of facility: _____

If No: describe proposed management of any hazardous wastes which will not be sent to a hazardous waste facility: _____

E. Site and Setting of Proposed Action

E.1. Land uses on and surrounding the project site

a. Existing land uses.

i. Check all uses that occur on, adjoining and near the project site.

- ☒ Urban ☒ Industrial ☒ Commercial ☒ Residential (suburban) ☐ Rural (non-farm)
☒ Forest ☐ Agriculture ☒ Aquatic ☒ Other (specify): Wastewater treatment plant

ii. If mix of uses, generally describe:

The project area includes the existing Rome WRRF facility limits and an adjacent vacant parcel that is owned by the City, which was formerly a mobile home park but now contains unmaintained herbaceous/shrub cover. Surrounding lands include vacant forest abutting the Erie Canal to the south, industrial and commercial uses to the west/north, and residential uses to the northeast and northwest.

b. Land uses and cover types on the project site.

Land use or Cover type	Current Acreage	Acreage After Project Completion	Change (Acres +/-)
• Roads, buildings, and other paved or impervious surfaces (total)	10	~13.5	+3.5
• Industrial or manufacturing	0	0	0
• Commercial	0	0	0
• Residential	0	0	0
• Forested	2	~1.5	-0.5
• Meadows, grasslands or brushlands (non-agricultural, including abandoned agricultural)	9	~6.5	-2.5
• Agricultural (includes active orchards, field, greenhouse, etc.)	0	0	0
• Surface water features (lakes, ponds, streams, rivers, etc.)	0	0	0
• Wetlands (freshwater or tidal)	0	0	0
• Non-vegetated (bare rock, earth, or fill)	0	0	0
• Other, Describe: <u>Maintained lawn cover</u>	3.9	~3.4	-0.5

c. Is the project site presently used by members of the community for public recreation? ☐ Yes ☒ No
i. If Yes: explain: _____

d. Are there any facilities serving children, the elderly, people with disabilities (e.g., schools, hospitals, licensed day care centers, or group homes) within 1500 feet of the project site? ☐ Yes ☒ No
If Yes,
i. Identify facilities: _____

e. Does the project site contain an existing dam? ☐ Yes ☒ No
If Yes:
i. Dimensions of the dam and impoundment:
• Dam height: _____ feet
• Dam length: _____ feet
• Surface area: _____ acres
• Volume impounded: _____ gallons OR acre-feet
ii. Dam's existing hazard classification: _____
iii. Provide date and summarize results of last inspection: _____

f. Has the project site ever been used as a municipal, commercial or industrial solid waste management facility, or does the project site adjoin property that is now, or was at one time, used as a solid waste management facility? ☐ Yes ☒ No
If Yes:
i. Has the facility been formally closed? ☐ Yes ☐ No
• If Yes, cite sources/documentation: _____
ii. Describe the location of the project site relative to the boundaries of the solid waste management facility: _____
iii. Describe any development constraints due to the prior solid waste activities: _____

g. Have hazardous wastes been generated, treated and/or disposed of at the site, or does the project site adjoin property which is now or was at one time used to commercially treat, store and/or dispose of hazardous waste? ☐ Yes ☒ No
If Yes:
i. Describe waste(s) handled and waste management activities, including approximate time when activities occurred: _____

h. Potential contamination history. Has there been a reported spill at the proposed project site, or have any remedial actions been conducted at or adjacent to the proposed site? ☒ Yes ☐ No
If Yes:
i. Is any portion of the site listed on the NYSDEC Spills Incidents database or Environmental Site Remediation database? Check all that apply: ☐ Yes ☒ No
☐ Yes – Spills Incidents database Provide DEC ID number(s): _____
☐ Yes – Environmental Site Remediation database Provide DEC ID number(s): _____
☒ Neither database
ii. If site has been subject of RCRA corrective activities, describe control measures: _____
N/A
iii. Is the project within 2000 feet of any site in the NYSDEC Environmental Site Remediation database? ☒ Yes ☐ No
If Yes, provide DEC ID number(s): 633006
iv. If Yes to (i), (ii) or (iii) above, describe current status of site(s):
A name associated with remediation site 633006 is The Air Force Superfund site located 270' west of the project site at its closest point. Remediation is ongoing for several groundwater plumes. Hazardous wastes were disposed on site from 1940-1974. Contaminants of concern include PCBs, PFAS, PFOS, heavy metals, waste oil and solvents. Many areas of concern have already been remediated.

v. Is the project site subject to an institutional control limiting property uses? ☐ Yes ☒ No

- If Yes, DEC site ID number: _____
- Describe the type of institutional control (e.g., deed restriction or easement): _____
- Describe any use limitations: _____
- Describe any engineering controls: _____
- Will the project affect the institutional or engineering controls in place? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- Explain: _____

E.2. Natural Resources On or Near Project Site

a. What is the average depth to bedrock on the project site? 25.5 feet

b. Are there bedrock outcroppings on the project site? ☐ Yes ☒ No
If Yes, what proportion of the site is comprised of bedrock outcroppings? _____ %

c. Predominant soil type(s) present on project site:

Alton-Urban Land Complex, 0-3% slopes	<u>96.5</u>	%
Udorthents, smoothed	<u>3.5</u>	%
		%

d. What is the average depth to the water table on the project site? Average: Approx. 6 feet

e. Drainage status of project site soils:

Well Drained:	<u>96.5</u>	% of site
Moderately Well Drained:	<u>3.5</u>	% of site
Poorly Drained		% of site

f. Approximate proportion of proposed action site with slopes:

0-10%:	<u>100</u>	% of site
10-15%:		% of site
15% or greater:		% of site

g. Are there any unique geologic features on the project site? ☐ Yes ☒ No
If Yes, describe: _____

h. Surface water features.

i. Does any portion of the project site contain wetlands or other waterbodies (including streams, rivers, ponds, or lakes)? ☐ Yes ☒ No

ii. Do any wetlands or other waterbodies adjoin the project site? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If Yes to either i or ii, continue. If No, skip to E.2.i.

iii. Are any of the wetlands or waterbodies within or adjoining the project site regulated by any federal, state or local agency? ☒ Yes ☐ No

iv. For each identified regulated wetland and waterbody on the project site, provide the following information:

• Streams:	Name <u>N/A</u>	Classification _____
• Lakes or Ponds:	Name <u>N/A</u>	Classification _____
• Wetlands:	Name <u>NYSDEC Informational Wetland</u>	Approximate Size _____
		Approx. 26 ac total (outside project area)
• Wetland No. (if regulated by DEC)	<u>No previously mapped wetlands located w/in 100' of site.</u>	

v. Are any of the above water bodies listed in the most recent compilation of NYS water quality-impaired waterbodies? ☐ Yes ☒ No
If Yes, name of impaired water body/bodies and basis for listing as impaired: _____

i. Is the project site in a designated Floodway? ☐ Yes ☒ No

j. Is the project site in the 100-year Floodplain? ☐ Yes ☒ No

k. Is the project site in the 500-year Floodplain? ☒ Yes ☐ No

l. Is the project site located over, or immediately adjoining, a primary, principal or sole source aquifer? ☒ Yes ☐ No
If Yes:

i. Name of aquifer: Principal aquifer - unconfined

m. Identify the predominant wildlife species that occupy or use the project site;		
Gray squirrel <u>White-tailed deer</u>	Striped skunk <u>Canada goose</u>	Mice <u>Raccoon</u>
n. Does the project site contain a designated significant natural community? ☐ Yes ☒ No		
If Yes:		
i. Describe the habitat/community (composition, function, and basis for designation): _____		
ii. Source(s) of description or evaluation: _____		
iii. Extent of community/habitat:		
• Currently: _____ acres		
• Following completion of project as proposed: _____ acres		
• Gain or loss (indicate + or -): _____ acres		
o. Does project site contain any species of plant or animal that is listed by the federal government or NYS as endangered or threatened, or does it contain any areas identified as habitat for an endangered or threatened species? ☒ Yes ☐ No		
If Yes:		
i. Species and listing (endangered or threatened): _____		
USFWS IPaC Records: Northern Long-eared Bat (<i>Myotis septentrionalis</i>, endangered), Tricolored Bat (<i>Perimyotis subflavus</i>, proposed endangered), Monarch Butterfly (<i>Danaus plexippus</i>, proposed threatened)		
No records reported by the NYSDEC ERM.		
p. Does the project site contain any species of plant or animal that is listed by NYS as rare, or as a species of special concern? ☐ Yes ☒ No		
If Yes:		
i. Species and listing: _____		
q. Is the project site or adjoining area currently used for hunting, trapping, fishing or shell fishing? ☐ Yes ☒ No		
If Yes, give a brief description of how the proposed action may affect that use: _____		
E.3. Designated Public Resources On or Near Project Site		
a. Is the project site, or any portion of it, located in a designated agricultural district certified pursuant to Agriculture and Markets Law, Article 25-AA, Section 303 and 304? ☐ Yes ☒ No		
If Yes, provide county plus district name/number: _____		
b. Are agricultural lands consisting of highly productive soils present? ☐ Yes ☒ No		
i. If Yes: acreage(s) on project site? _____		
ii. Source(s) of soil rating(s): _____		
c. Does the project site contain all or part of, or is it substantially contiguous to, a registered National Natural Landmark? ☐ Yes ☒ No		
If Yes:		
i. Nature of the natural landmark: ☐ Biological Community ☐ Geological Feature		
ii. Provide brief description of landmark, including values behind designation and approximate size/extent: _____		
d. Is the project site located in or does it adjoin a state listed Critical Environmental Area? ☐ Yes ☒ No		
If Yes:		
i. CEA name: _____		
ii. Basis for designation: _____		
iii. Designating agency and date: _____		

- e. Does the project site contain, or is it substantially contiguous to, a building, archaeological site, or district listed on the National or State Register of Historic Places, or that has been determined by the Commissioner of the NY State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation to be eligible for listing on the State Register of Historic Places? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If Yes:

- i. Nature of historic/archaeological resource: ☐ Archaeological Site ☒ Historic Building or District

ii. Name: 14NR06559 - NYS Barge Canal Historic District (250' to 350' south of project area)

- iii. Brief description of attributes on which listing is based:

Historic District listed on NYS and National Registers of Historic Places

- f. Is the project site, or any portion of it, located in or adjacent to an area designated as sensitive for archaeological sites on the New York State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) archaeological site inventory? ☐ Yes ☒ No

- g. Have additional archaeological or historic site(s) or resources been identified on the project site? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes:

i. Describe possible resource(s): _____

ii. Basis for identification: _____

- h. Is the project site within five miles of any officially designated and publicly accessible federal, state, or local scenic, or aesthetic resource? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If Yes:

i. Identify resource: Erie Canal/Mohawk River, multiple municipal parks (Hoffis Hewitt Park, Floyd Town Park, Guyer Park, Hazeltown Wright Park, Franklyn Field, Pinti Field, Eddy Park), Fort Stanwix National Monument, Oriskany Battlefield State Historic Site, Rome State Fish Hatchery, Rome State Wildlife Management Area, and Oriskany Flats State Wildlife Management Area

ii. Nature of, or basis for, designation (e.g., established highway overlook, state or local park, state historic trail, or scenic byway, etc.): Navigable waterbodies, municipal/state/federal recreational resources

- iii. Distance between project and resource: 0.05-5 miles.

- i. Is the project site located within a designated river corridor under the Wild, Scenic and Recreational Rivers Program 6 NYCRR 666? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes:

i. Identify the name of the river and its designation: _____

ii. Is the activity consistent with development restrictions contained in 6NYCRR Part 666? ☐ Yes ☐ No

E.4. Disadvantaged Communities Designated Pursuant to ECL Article 75

- a. Is the project located within, or within 1/2-mile of, a disadvantaged community? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If No, could impacts (see examples below in E.4.b) from the project affect a disadvantaged community? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes to either question in E.4.a, answer the remaining questions in this section.

- b. Will there be direct or indirect impacts that may affect a disadvantaged community, such as those listed below? ☒ Yes ☐ No

i. new noise sources or expansions/modification of existing noise sources;

- noise from operational sources

- noise from construction activities

ii. emissions of air pollutants, including mobile emissions;

iii. wastewater discharges;

iv. generation of odors;

v. light pollution;

vi. new or modified radiation sources;

vii. new or modified sources of solid waste generation, management, or disposal.

Project will involve construction-related noise impacts (temporary), additional off-site waste disposal to landfill, air emissions requiring modification to existing NYSDEC Air Registration, new site lighting, and wastewater treatment capacity increase to existing plant. No noticeable changes to existing odor generation or operational noise anticipated off site. Potential impacts to DAC will be further evaluated in FEAF parts 2 and 3.

If Yes, describe the impacts: _____

- c. Do any of the state agency approvals identified in question B.g include any of the following DEC permits?

State Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (SPDES)

☒ Yes

☐ No

Solid Waste Management Facility

☐ Yes

☒ No

Hazardous Waste Management Facility

☐ Yes

☒ No

Air Pollution Control (Title V or Air State Facility)

☐ Yes

☒ No

Water Withdrawal over 20 MGD for Cooling Water

☐ Yes

☒ No

Waste Transporter

☐ Yes

☒ No

**Project requires modification to City's existing NYS Air Facility Registration; site does not require a Title V or Air State Facility permit.*

E.5 Future Physical Climate Risks

Will the proposed action be vulnerable to the following future physical climate risks under current or projected future conditions:

- a. Is the proposed action vulnerable to damage from a projected 100-year flood? ☐ Yes ☒ No
- b. Is the proposed action vulnerable to damage from a projected 500-year flood? ☐ Yes ☒ No
- c. Is the proposed action in an area potentially affected by sea level rise? ☐ Yes ☒ No
- d. Will the proposed action increase the vulnerability of human or ecological communities to the following:
 - i. drought? ☐ Yes ☒ No
 - ii. temperature extremes (hot or cold)? ☐ Yes ☒ No
 - iii. extreme storms, including high winds? ☐ Yes ☒ No
 - iv. landslides? ☐ Yes ☒ No
 - v. coastal erosion? ☐ Yes ☒ No
 - vi. stormwater flooding? ☐ Yes ☒ No
 - vii. other climate or weather hazards? ☐ Yes ☒ No. If Yes, describe: _____

F. Additional Information

Attach any additional information which may be needed to clarify your project.

If you have identified any adverse impacts which could be associated with your proposal, please describe those impacts plus any measures which you propose to avoid or minimize them.

G. Verification

I certify that the information provided is true to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant/Sponsor Name Jeffrey Lanigan Date _____

Signature _____ Title Mayor

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**City of Rome WRRF Expansion Project – Summary of Proposed New Structures
Conceptual Design Sizing**

New Facilities		
Name	Preliminary Size	Height
Headworks	44' x 50'	25'
Leachate Receiving	18' x 32'	18'
HSOW/Septage Receiving	50' x 50'	25'
MBR Chem/Blower Bldg	100' x 115'	15'
Nitrite Ox. Chem Bldg	25' x 20'	15'
Solids Bldg. Addition	30' x 63'	25'
Admin Building	50' x 80'	15'

New Structures		
Name	Preliminary Size	Preliminary Capacity
Leachate Tank	42' dia.	250,000 gallons
HSOW Tank	55' dia.	325,000 gallons
Vortex Grit Tank	18' dia.	N/A
Distribution Box	20' x 55'	N/A
MBR Tanks	75' x 190'	6 tanks, 210,000 gallons each - mostly below grade
Nitrite Oxidation Tank	25' x 50'	100,000 gallons - mostly below grade
Gravity Thickener	30' dia.	63,000 gallons - mostly below grade
Anaerobic Digester	120' dia.	1,740,000 gallons

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MBR Conceptual
Design Layout

LEGEND

- MILESTONE 1 (12.0 MGD)
- MILESTONE 2A (15.2 MGD)
- MILESTONE 2B (18.0 MGD)
- ASSET RENEWAL, REVENUE GENERATION, & ENERGY OPTIMIZATION
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ORDINANCE NO. 9885

**BOND ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ROME, ONEIDA COUNTY, NEW YORK,
AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF AN ADDITIONAL \$45,000 SERIAL BONDS TO
PAY COSTS OF IMPROVEMENTS TO THE CITY SEWER SYSTEM.**

By Councilor Mortise:

WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City of Rome, Oneida County, New York (the "City") on December 13, 2023 adopted a Bond Ordinance (Ordinance No. 9656) titled "BOND ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ROME, ONEIDA COUNTY, NEW YORK, AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS NOT EXCEED \$7,332,480 BONDS TO PAY COSTS OF IMPROVEMENTS TO THE CITY SEWER SYSTEM." (the "Prior Bond Ordinance");

WHEREAS, the Common Council wishes to (i) authorize the expenditure and appropriation of additional funds in connection with the improvements to the City Sewer System described in the Prior Bond Ordinance; and (ii) authorize the issuance of additional serial bonds of the City to finance such additional appropriation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the affirmative vote of **not less than two-thirds of the total voting strength** of the Common Council of the City as follows:

Section 1. The City is hereby authorized to undertake the construction of improvements to the City's sanitary sewer system, whether or not including buildings, land or rights in land, original furnishings, equipment, machinery or apparatus required in connection therewith, at an estimated maximum cost of \$7,377,480, constituting an increase of \$45,000, and to issue serial bonds, the aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$7,377,480, pursuant to the provisions of the Local Finance Law to finance the estimated costs of the aforesaid class of objects or purposes.

Section 2. It is hereby determined that the plan for financing of such new maximum authorized cost of \$7,377,480 shall be as follows:

(a) by the issuance of \$7,332,480 of serial bonds of the City heretofore authorized to be issued pursuant to the Prior Bond Ordinance;

(b) by the issuance of an additional \$45,000 of serial bonds (the "Bonds") of the City authorized to be issued pursuant to this Bond Ordinance.

Section 3. It is hereby determined that the period of probable usefulness of the aforesaid specific objects or purposes is forty (40) years pursuant to subdivision 4 of paragraph (a) of Section 11.00 of the Local Finance Law; provided however, that the maximum maturity of the Bonds authorized shall be computed from the date of issuance of the Bonds or the first

bond anticipation note issued in anticipation of the Bonds or the serial bonds or bond anticipation notes authorized pursuant to the Prior Bond Ordinance, whichever date is earlier. The proposed maturity of the Bonds will be in excess of five (5) years.

Section 4. Any grant funds obtained by the City to fund the capital purposes described in Section 1 of this resolution shall be applied to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds or any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the Bonds, or, to the extent obligations shall not have been issued under this resolution, to reduce the maximum amount to be borrowed for such capital purposes.

Section 5. Pursuant to Section 107.00(d)(9) of the Local Finance Law, current funds are not required to be provided prior to issuance of the Bonds or any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of issuance of the Bonds.

Section 6. The temporary use of available funds of the City, not immediately required for the purpose or purposes for which the same were borrowed, raised or otherwise created, is hereby authorized pursuant to Section 165.10 of the Local Finance Law, for the capital purposes described in Section 1 of this Ordinance.

Section 7. The Bonds and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the Bonds, shall contain the recital of validity prescribed by Section 52.00 of the Local Finance Law and the Bonds, and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the Bonds, shall be general obligations of the City, payable as to both principal and interest by a general tax upon all the real property within the City without legal or constitutional limitation as to rate or amount. The faith and credit of the City are hereby irrevocably pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds, and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the Bonds, and provision shall be made annually in the budget of the City by appropriation for (a) the amortization and redemption of the Bonds and bond anticipation notes to mature in such year, and (b) the payment of interest to be due and payable in such year.

Section 8. Subject to the provisions of this Ordinance and of the Local Finance Law, and pursuant to the provisions of Sections 21.00, 30.00, 50.00 and 56.00 to 63.00, inclusive, of the Local Finance Law, the power to authorize the issuance of and to sell bond anticipation notes in anticipation of the issuance and sale of the Bonds herein authorized, including renewals of such notes, and the power to prescribe the terms, form and contents of the Bonds, and any bond anticipation notes, and the power to sell and deliver the Bonds and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the issuance of the Bonds, and the power to issue bonds providing for level or substantially level or declining annual debt service, is hereby delegated to the City Treasurer, the Chief Fiscal Officer of the City.

Section 9. This Ordinance is intended to constitute the declaration of the City's "official intent" to reimburse the expenditures authorized by this Ordinance with the proceeds of the Bonds and bond anticipation notes authorized herein, as required by Treasury Regulation

Section 1.150-2. Other than as specified in this Ordinance, no moneys are reasonably expected to be received, allocated on a long-term basis, or otherwise set aside with respect to the permanent funding of the objects or purposes described herein.

Section 10. The serial bonds and bond anticipation notes authorized to be issued by this Ordinance are hereby authorized to be consolidated, at the option of the City's Treasurer, the Chief Fiscal Officer, with the serial bonds and bond anticipation notes authorized by other Bond Ordinances previously or hereafter adopted by the Common Council for purposes of sale in to one or more bond or note issues aggregating an amount not to exceed the amount authorized in such ordinances. All matters regarding the sale of the bonds, the use of electronic bidding, including the date of the bonds, the consolidation of the serial bonds and the bond anticipation notes with other issues of the City and the serial maturities of the bonds are hereby delegated to the City Treasurer, the Chief Fiscal Officer of the City.

Section 11. The validity of the Bonds authorized by this Ordinance and of any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the Bonds may be contested only if:

(a) such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which the City is not authorized to expend money; or

(b) the provisions of law which should be complied with at the date of the publication of this Ordinance or a summary hereof are not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty (20) days after the date of such publication; or

(c) such obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.

Section 12. The City Treasurer, as Chief Fiscal Officer of the City, is hereby authorized to enter into an undertaking for the benefit of the holders of the Bonds from time to time, and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the sale of the Bonds, requiring the City to provide secondary market disclosure as required by Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 15c2-12.

Section 13. The City Treasurer, as chief fiscal officer of the City, is further authorized to sell all or a portion of the Bonds to the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation (the "EFC") in the form prescribed in one or more loan agreements (the "Loan Agreements") between the City and the EFC; to execute and deliver on behalf of the City one or more Loan Agreements, Project Financing Agreements, and Letters of Intent with EFC and to accept the definitive terms of one or more Loan Agreements from EFC by executing and delivering one or more Terms Certificates; and to execute such other documents, and take such other actions, as are necessary or appropriate to obtain a loan or loans from the EFC for all or a portion of the costs of the expenditures authorized by this Bond Ordinance, and perform the City's obligations

under its Bonds delivered to the EFC, the Project Financing Agreements and the Loan Agreements.

Section 14. This Ordinance, or a summary of this Ordinance, shall be published in the official newspapers of the City for such purpose, together with a notice of the Clerk of the City in substantially the form provided in Section 81.00 of the Local Finance Law.

Section 15. In the absence of the City Treasurer, the Deputy Treasurer of the City is hereby specifically authorized to exercise the powers delegated to the City Treasurer in this Resolution.

Section 16. This Ordinance is not subject to a mandatory or permissive referendum.

Section 17. The Council hereby determines that the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act and the regulations thereunder have previously been satisfied with respect to the expenditures authorized by this Ordinance.

Section 18. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

Seconded by Councilor Reilly.

By Councilor Sbaraglia:

RESOLVED, that the unanimous consent of this Common Council be, and the same hereby is given to the consideration of Ordinance No. 9885.

Seconded by Councilor Sparace.

AYES: Sparace, Mortise, Fazio, Smith, Reilly, Sbaraglia

NAYS: None

EXCUSED: Dursi

ORDINANCE NO. 9885

AYES: Sparace, Mortise, Fazio, Smith, Reilly, Sbaraglia

NAYS: None

EXCUSED: Dursi

ADOPTED: June 24, 2026

ORDINANCE NO. 9886

**AUTHORIZATION TO LOWER THE SPEED LIMIT TO 20MPH ON BELL ROAD BETWEEN
TENNYSON AVE AND PARK AVE AND DESIGNATING SAID AREA AS A SCHOOL ZONE.**

By Councilor Sparace:

WHEREAS, Joseph Guiliano, Commissioner of Public Works for the City of Rome, New York, has requested the authorization to lower the speed limit to 20mph on Bell Road between Tennyson Ave and Park Ave and designating said area as a “School Zone”; and

WHEREAS, said change is in the best interest of the City of Rome and alleviates the safety concerns having been voiced by local residents; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED, that the authorization to lower the speed limit to 20mph on Bell Road between Tennyson Ave and Park Ave and designating said area as a “School Zone” be and is hereby granted; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the Commissioner of Public Works is hereby authorized to post such signs as is necessary to effectuate the intent of this Ordinance.

Seconded by Councilor Reilly.

By Councilor Mortise:

RESOLVED, that the unanimous consent of this Common Council be, and the same hereby is given to the consideration of Ordinance No. 9886.

Seconded by Councilor Sbaraglia.

AYES: Sparace, Mortise, Fazio, Smith, Reilly, Sbaraglia

NAYS: None

EXCUSED: Dursi

ORDINANCE NO. 9886

AYES: Sparace, Mortise, Fazio, Smith, Reilly, Sbaraglia

NAYS: None

EXCUSED: Dursi

ADOPTED: June 24, 2026

ORDINANCE NO. 9887

**AUTHORIZING AN EASEMENT WITH NATIONAL GRID FOR
THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 920 SWANCOTT MILLS ROAD, TOWN OF LEWIS, NY.**

By Councilor Smith:

WHEREAS, Joseph Guiliano, Commissioner of Public Works for the City of Rome, New York, has requested authorization to approve an easement with National Grid for the property located at 920 Swancott Mills Road, Town of Lewis, NY (parcel tax map no. 416.000-1-27.1), for pole installation; now, therefore

BE IT ORDAINED, that the Mayor of the City of Rome be and is hereby authorized to enter into an Agreement approved by the Corporation Counsel, for purposes of approving an easement with National Grid for the property located at 920 Swancott Mills Road, Town of Lewis, NY (parcel tax map no. 416.000-1-27.1), for pole installation.

Seconded by Councilor Reilly.

By Councilor Fazio:

RESOLVED, that the unanimous consent of this Common Council be, and the same hereby is given to the consideration of Ordinance No. 9887.

Seconded by Councilor Sbaraglia.

AYES: Sparace, Mortise, Fazio, Smith, Reilly, Sbaraglia

NAYS: None

EXCUSED: Dursi

ORDINANCE NO. 9887

AYES: Sparace, Mortise, Fazio, Smith, Reilly, Sbaraglia

NAYS: None

EXCUSED: Dursi

ADOPTED: June 24, 2026

GRANT OF EASEMENT

CITY OF ROME, NEW YORK, a municipal corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of New York and situate in Oneida County, New York, having an address at **198 North Washington Street, Rome, New York 13440** (hereinafter referred to as "Grantor"), is the owner of that certain parcel of real property commonly known as **920 Swancott Mill Road**, located in the Town of **Lewis**, County of **Lewis**, and State of **New York**, identified on the tax maps of the County of **Lewis** as Section **416.00/Block 01/Lot 27.100** (SBL #**416.00-01-27.100**) and pursuant to that certain deed recorded with the County Clerk of the County of **Lewis** on **03/06/1963** in Liber **274** at Page **180** (the "Grantor's Land"), and Grantor, for consideration in the amount of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other valuable considerations, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, hereby grants to **NIAGARA MOHAWK POWER CORPORATION**, a New York corporation, having an address at **300 Erie Boulevard West, Syracuse, New York 13202** and **VERIZON NEW YORK, INC.**, having an address at **140 West Street, New York, New York 10007** (hereinafter collectively referred to as "Grantees"), for Grantees and their lessees, licensees, successors, and assigns a perpetual and nonexclusive easement and right of way through, over, across, under and upon the Grantor's Land (the "Easement") under the following terms and conditions,

Section 1 – Description of the Easement. The Easement provides the Grantees with the right, privilege, and authority to:

a. construct, reconstruct, relocate, extend, repair, maintain, operate, inspect, patrol, and, at their pleasure, remove any poles or lines of poles, supporting structures, cables, crossarms, overhead and underground wires, guys, guy stubs, insulators, transformers, braces, fittings, foundations, anchors, lateral service lines, communications facilities, and other fixtures and appurtenances (collectively, the "Facilities"), which the Grantees shall require now and from time to time, for the transmission and distribution of high and low voltage electric current and for the purpose of transmitting intelligence and communication data, by any means, whether now existing or hereafter devised, for public or private use, in, through, upon, over, under, and across that certain portion of the Grantor's Land described in Section 2 below (the "Easement Area"), and any highways abutting or running through the Grantor's Land, and to renew, replace, remove, add to, and otherwise change the Facilities and each and every part thereof and the location thereof within the Easement Area, and utilize the Facilities within the Easement Area for the purpose of providing service to the Grantor and others; and

b. from time to time, without further payment therefor, to clear the Easement Area of obstructions or structures, and clear and keep cleared the Easement Area by physical and/or mechanical means, of any and all brush, trees, limbs, branches, roots, vegetation, or other obstructions; and

c. from time to time, without further payment therefor, to clear and keep cleared by physical and/or mechanical means, the Grantor's Land beyond the bounds of the Easement Area, of any and all trees, limbs, branches, roots or vegetation that, in the sole judgment of the Grantees, due to species or structural defects or their tall growing nature, are likely to fall into or encroach upon the Easement Area or interfere in any way with the safe and reliable operation of Grantees' existing or proposed Facilities; and

d. excavate or change the grade of the Grantor's Land as is reasonable, necessary, and proper for any and all purposes described in this Easement; provided, however, that the Grantees will, upon completion of the work, backfill and restore any excavated areas to reasonably the same condition as existed prior to such excavation; and

e. pass and repass on foot and with vehicles and equipment, along, over, across and upon the Easement Area and the Grantor's Land in order to access the Easement Area and construct, reconstruct, relocate, use, and maintain roads, paths, causeways, and ways of access to and from the Easement Area as is reasonable and necessary in order to exercise to the fullest extent the Easement.

Section 2 – Location of the Easement Area. The "Easement Area" shall consist of a portion of the Grantor's Land twenty (20) feet in width throughout its extent, the centerline of the Easement Area being the centerline of the Facilities. The general location of the Easement Area is shown on the sketch entitled, "**Easement Sketch - Exhibit A, WR #18-26-31330255**", which sketch is attached hereto as Exhibit A and recorded herewith. The final and definitive location(s) of the Easement Area shall become established by and upon the final installation and erection of the Facilities by the Grantees in substantial compliance with Exhibit A hereto.

Section 3 – Facilities Ownership. It is agreed that the Facilities shall remain the property of the Grantees, their successors and assigns.

Section 4 – General Provisions. The Grantor, for itself, its heirs, legal representatives, successors, and assigns, hereby covenants and agrees with the Grantees that no act will be permitted within the Easement Area which is inconsistent with the Easement hereby granted; no buildings or structures, or replacements thereof or additions thereto, swimming pools, or obstructions will be erected or constructed above or below grade within the Easement Area; no trees shall be grown, cultivated, or harvested, and no excavating, mining, or blasting shall be undertaken within the Easement Area without the prior written consent of the Grantees; the Easement shall not be modified nor the Easement Area relocated by the Grantor without the Grantees' prior written consent; the present grade or ground level of the Easement Area will not be changed by excavation or filling; the Grantees shall quietly enjoy the Grantor's Land; and the Grantor will forever warrant title to the Grantor's Land.

The Grantees, their successors and assigns, are hereby expressly given and granted the right to assign this Easement, or any part thereof, or interest therein, and the same shall be divisible between or among two or more owners, as to any right or rights created hereunder, so that each assignee or owner shall have the full right, privilege, and authority herein granted, to be owned and enjoyed either in common or severally. This Grant of Easement shall at all times be deemed to be and shall be a continuing covenant running with the Grantor's Land and shall inure to and be binding upon the successors, heirs, legal representatives, and assigns of the parties named in this Grant of Easement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Grantor has duly executed this Grant of Easement under seal this _____ day of _____, 2026.

CITY OF ROME, NEW YORK

By: _____
(signature)

Name: _____
(printed)

Its: _____
(title)

State of _____)
County of _____) ss:

On the ____ day of _____ in the year 2026, before me, the undersigned, personally appeared _____, personally known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the individual(s) whose name(s) is (are) subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument, the individual(s), or the person upon behalf of which the individual(s) acted, executed the instrument

Notary Public

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Attention: Margaret Bevard
Right of Way, A-3
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LANDS OF N/F
CITY OF ROME WATER DEPT.
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SWANCOTT MILL RD.

PROPOSED COURSE OF LINE

X Pole (Sole NG) - install
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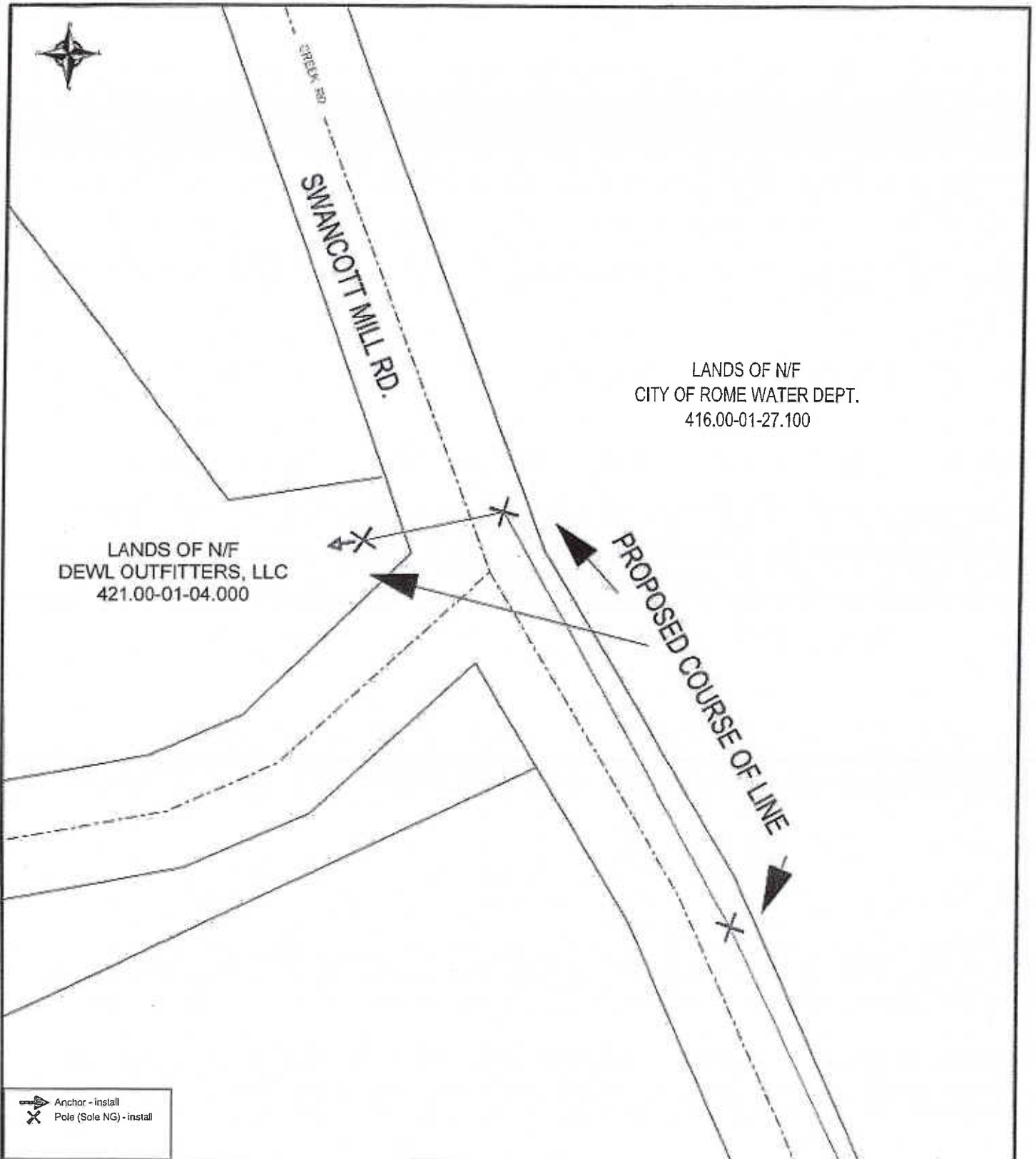
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Grantor has duly executed this Grant of Easement under seal this _____ day of _____, 2026.

CITY OF ROME, NEW YORK

By: _____
(signature)

Name: _____
(printed)

Its: _____
(title)

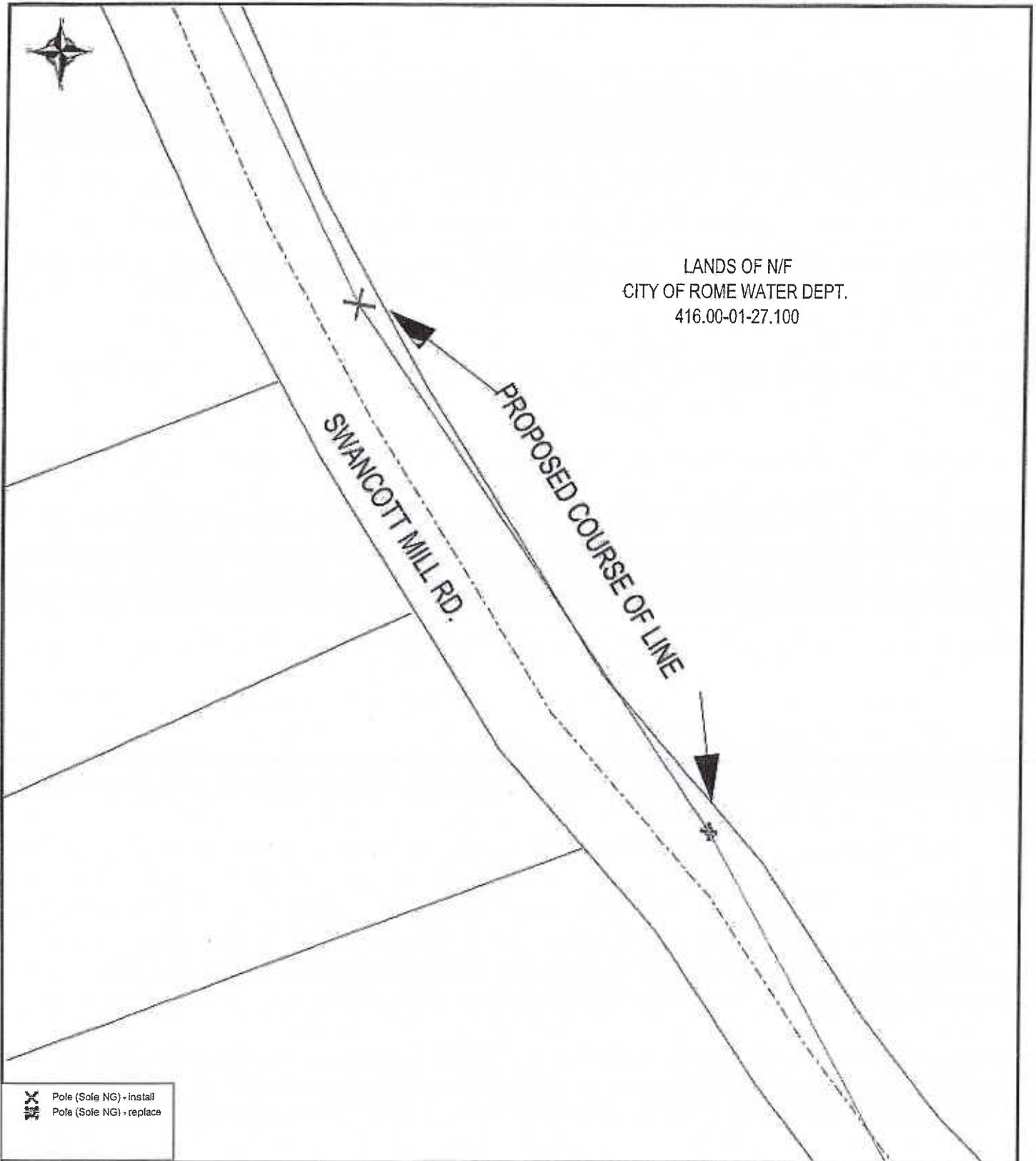
State of _____)
County of _____) **ss:**

On the _____ day of _____ in the year 2026, before me, the undersigned, personally appeared _____, personally known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the individual(s) whose name(s) is (are) subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument, the individual(s), or the person upon behalf of which the individual(s) acted, executed the instrument

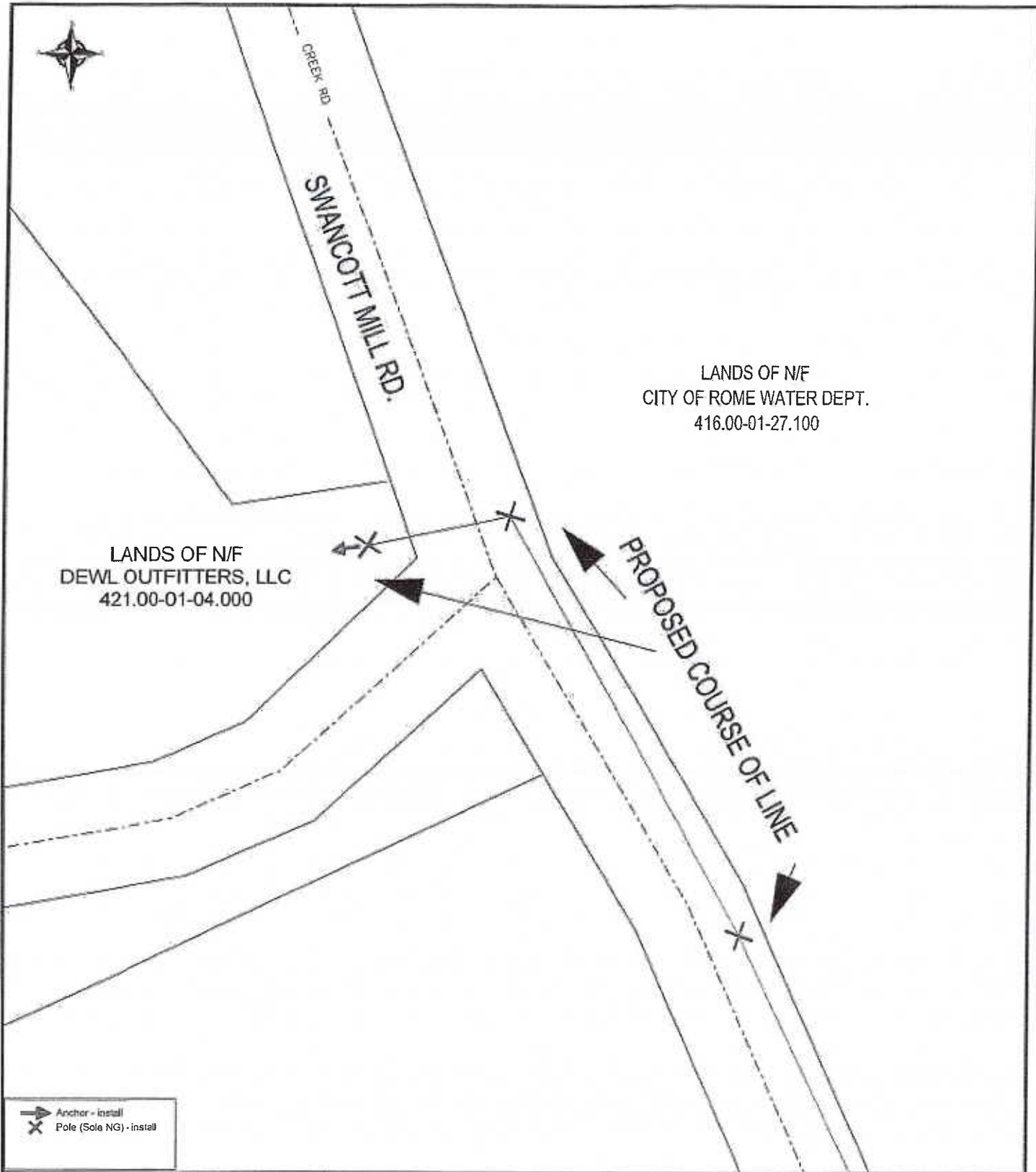
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Motion to Waive Rule Six by Sparace, seconded by Mortise, and so ordered May 13, 2026.

***ORDINANCE NO. 9869A**

**AUTHORIZING A SIX (6) MONTH MORATORIUM WITH RESPECT TO THE
ESTABLISHMENT, INSTALLATION AND CONSTRUCTION OF BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE
SYSTEMS WITHIN THE CITY OF ROME.**

By Councilor Dursi:

WHEREAS, pursuant to New York State General City Law §§ 20(24), 20(25), 28-a and 83 and the Rome Zoning Code, Article XIX, the City of Rome Common Council has the authority to amend the Zoning Code when it is deemed said amendment would protect the health, welfare and safety of citizens and businesses and/or further the public interest, and to impose a moratorium where appropriate; and

WHEREAS, the Rome Common Council is in the process of considering amendments to Rome City Code Chapter 80, entitled "Zoning Code", as it relates to the construction and installation of Battery Energy Storage Systems ("BESS") in the City of Rome and the requirements therefor; and

WHEREAS, a BESS is a group of battery cells organized into modules, and then into racks, that store electricity for future use via connection to the electric grid, a local electrical load, or both; and

WHEREAS, 1st Ward Councilor John Sparace and 6th Ward Councilor Rick Dursi recommend that a six (6) month moratorium be enacted on BESS construction and installation within the City of Rome, or the issuance of any approvals or building permits therefore; and

WHEREAS, the time provided by said moratorium will allow the City of Rome to assess public safety and environmental risks, neighborhood impacts and other concerns associated with BESS installation, and to draft appropriate local laws to administer the permitting, operation and decommissioning of same; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the requirements of General Municipal Law Section 239-m, the proposed moratorium has been referred to the Oneida County Planning Commissioner for comment, which said comments were received on June 12, 2026 and filed with the City Clerk's Office; and

WHEREAS, this proposed moratorium was referred to the Planning Board for their report and recommendations, said report having been sent to the Common Council on June 3, 2026 and being attached hereto as an Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held before the Planning Board on June 2, 2026, in order for public comment to be heard and considered regarding the proposed moratorium; and

WHEREAS, while the proposed moratorium is subject to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review ("SEQRA"), because it is a Type II action no further action is required pursuant to 19 NYCRR 617.5(c)(30) ("adoption of a moratorium on land development or construction"); and

WHEREAS, it is in best interests of the City of Rome to establish said moratorium to protect the health, safety and welfare of the residents of the City of Rome, and to assure that BESS construction and installation conform to the City's long term planning goals; now, therefore

BE IT ORDAINED, by the City of Rome Common Council that effective immediately a moratorium is imposed for a period of six (6) months on the construction or installation of Battery Energy Storage Systems within the City of Rome, or the issuance of any approvals or building permits therefore, including, but not limited to:

- (i) the City of Rome Planning Board shall not approve any site plan which as a result would lead to the establishment of a BESS within the City of Rome, and
- (ii) The City of Rome Zoning Board of Appeals shall not grant any variance, special use permit or other permit for any use which would result in the establishment or development of any new BESS within the City of Rome, and
- (iii) The Chief Code Enforcement Officer shall not issue any building permit or other permit which would result in the establishment or development of any BESS within the City of Rome; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that any person or entity constructing or installing a BESS in violation of this moratorium may be charged with an offense under the Rome City Code; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a person or entity wishing to seek relief from this Ordinance may apply for a variance to Rome Zoning Board of Appeals, who will hold a public hearing on the matter and submit a recommendation to the Common Council. If the Common Council finds that the property owner will suffer and unusual or unnecessary hardship, it may provide relief from the strict compliance with this moratorium; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, by the City of Rome Common Council that this Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon approval.

Seconded by Councilor Smith.

By Councilor Mortise:

RESOLVED, that the unanimous consent of this Common Council be, and the same hereby is given to the consideration of Ordinance No. 9869.

Seconded by Councilor Sparace.

AYES: Sparace, Mortise, Fazio, Smith, Reilly, Dursi

NAYS: None

EXCUSED: Sbaraglia

Motion to table by Dursi, seconded by Sparace, and so ordered May 13, 2026.

Motion to remove from table by Sparace, seconded by Sbaraglia, and so ordered June 24, 2026.

Motion by Sparace to make the following amendments: add "June 12, 2026" to sixth WHEREAS clause, add "June 3, 2026" and "Exhibit A" to seventh WHEREAS clause, and add "June 2, 2026" to eighth WHEREAS clause. Motion seconded by Mortise, and so ordered June 24, 2026.

ORDINANCE NO. 9869

AYES: Sparace, Mortise, Fazio, Smith, Reilly, Sbaraglia

NAYS: None

EXCUSED: Dursi

ADOPTED: June 24, 2026

Jeffrey M. Lanigan
Mayor



Rome Planning Board

(C) Mark Esposito
(VC) Joe Calandra
Eric Gonzalez
Brittany Fumarola
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June 3rd, 2026

President John Nash
City of Rome Common Council
198 N. Washington Street
Rome, NY 13440

Dear President Nash:

At the regular meeting of the Rome Planning Board held on June 2nd, 2026, the City of Rome Planning Board received and considered the Common Council's request for a recommendation on ***Ord. 9869 – Authorizing a Six (6) Month Moratorium with Respect to the Establishment, Installation and Construction of Battery Energy Storage Systems Within the City of Rome.***

In accordance with the referral, a public hearing on the matter was also held.

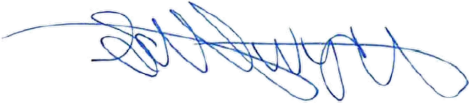
By a vote of 4-0 with Vice-Chair Calandra recusing himself, the Board recommended approval of the proposed moratorium with the following modifications:

- Inclusion of language excluding residential/personal-scale Battery Energy Storage Systems (such as whole home/ whole house battery backup systems) from the moratorium.
- Consideration of the inclusion of language allowing applications for Battery Energy Storage Systems that were submitted and substantially complete prior to enactment of the moratorium to proceed.

The Planning Board also offered the following as potential considerations for future code amendments regarding battery electric storage systems:

- Gas and other detection systems for thermal runaway
- Fire suppression needs
- Scaling requirements relative to battery size/capacity
- Mitigation requirements based on battery type/chemistry

Sincerely,



Garret S. Wyckoff
Planner

Cc: Matthew Andrews, Deputy Director
James Rizzo, Office of the Corporation Counsel
Mark Domenico, Chief Code Enforcement Officer
Joseph Guiliano, Commissioner of Public Works
Eric Seelig, City Clerk
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At a meeting held June 2nd, 2026, The City of Rome Planning Board issued a recommendation to the Common Council in regards to proposed changes to the City of Rome Code of Ordinances - Chapter 80: Zoning Code.

Ordinance: 9869 - Authorizing a Six (6) Month Moratorium with Respect to the Establishment, Installation and Construction of Battery Energy Storage Systems Within the City of Rome.

On a Motion by: ☒ Esposito ☐ Calandra ☐ Fumarola ☐ Smith ☐ Gonzalez

Seconded by: ☐ Esposito ☐ Calandra ☐ Fumarola ☐ Smith ☒ Gonzalez

After a Vote of:

AYES: ☒ Esposito ☐ Calandra ☒ Fumarola ☒ Smith ☒ Gonzalez

NAYS: ☐ Esposito ☐ Calandra ☐ Fumarola ☐ Smith ☐ Gonzalez

ABSENTIONS: ☐ Esposito ☒ Calandra ☐ Fumarola ☐ Smith ☐ Gonzalez

NOT PRESENT: ☐ Esposito ☐ Calandra ☐ Fumarola ☐ Smith ☐ Gonzalez

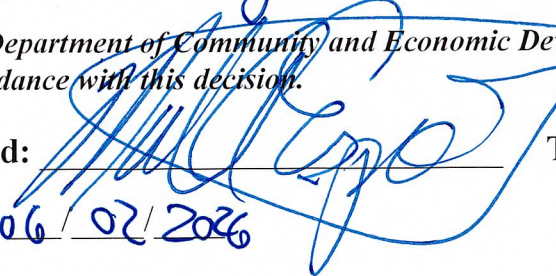
The Planning Board hereby recommends:

☐ Approval as Proposed ☒ Approval with Modifications ☐ Rejection

Recommended Modifications (attach additional sheets if necessary):

EXCLUDE RESIDENTIAL BES
* FIRE SUPPRESSION - GAS DETECTION - CLIMATE CONTROL Solar
* SIZE BASED CODE - ADDRESS Solar-BATTERY & BES ONLY/ONLY
* CONSIDER EXCLUSION FOR SUBMITTED PROJECTS - COMPLETED APP
ADDRESS Mitigation BASED ON BATTERY TYPE Before
MORATORIUM
ENACTED

The Department of Community and Economic Development is hereby authorized to execute all documents in accordance with this decision.

Signed: 

Title: Chair

Date: 06/02/2026