

**Request Funding for Engineering Services Agreement for Mechanical Thickening, Grit Removal and Administration Building Improvements Design Study**

WHEREAS, the Ithaca Area Wastewater Treatment Plant requires constant upgrading to meet the rigorous water quality and clean energy standards embodied in its long range planning goals, and

WHEREAS, upon review of the findings from the March 2016 Primary Treatment and Anaerobic Digester Improvements Feasibility Study, and

WHEREAS, results of said study and past longterm planning studies supplied staff with information leading to the conclusion that the next phase of improvements should include mechanical thickening of organic solids prior to anaerobic digestion, replacing existing grit removal technology and improving the administration building, and

WHEREAS, GHD Engineers has submitted a proposal for performing the design study for an amount not to exceed \$159,000, and

WHEREAS, the funding supplied by this resolution will be placed in accounts for Capital Project 420J, and

Therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, that the SJC hereby recommends an amount not to exceed \$159,000 to fund the proposed agreement with GHD Engineers set to expire December 31, 2016, authorizing funds from Capital Reserve Account and establishing CP 420J and be it further

**RESOLVED**, That SJC hereby recommends this CP420J contingent upon action by all wastewater partners and their respective attorneys committing their percentage of reimbursement shares to the Joint Activity Fund allocated per the Joint Sewer Agreement as follows:

Municipality	Percentage	Project Cost
City of Ithaca	57.14	\$90,852.60
Town of Ithaca	40.88	64,999.20
Town of Dryden	1.98	<u>3,148.20</u>
		\$159,000.00