

Erie County Fiscal Stability Authority

Resolution No. 17-03

APPROVING ENGAGEMENT OF BOND COUNSEL

WHEREAS, Chapter 182 of the New York Laws of 2005 created the Erie County Fiscal Stability Authority (“ECFSA”) to serve as a corporate governmental agency and instrumentality of the State of New York, and as a public benefit corporation to “oversee [Erie] County’s budget, financial and capital plans; to issue bonds, notes or other obligations to achieve budgetary savings and to finance short-term cash flow or capital needs; and, if necessary, to develop financial plans on behalf of the County if the County is unwilling or unable to take the required steps toward fiscal stability;” and

WHEREAS, Section 3954(4) of New York Public Authorities Law grants the ECFSA the power to make and execute contracts or agreements necessary or convenient to carry out its purposes; and

WHEREAS, the ECFSA issued a request for proposals for bond counsel in November 2016 and received four (4) responses to the request. Staff evaluated the proposals received and recommends Phillips Lytle, LLC as the most capable of providing bond counsel to the ECFSA on an as-needed basis for a period of three years; and

WHEREAS, Phillips Lytle, LLC has performed their duties to the full satisfaction of the ECFSA; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the ECFSA engage Phillips Lytle, LLC to act as bond counsel on an as-needed basis for a period not to exceed three years from the contract date of January 1, 2017; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that such services shall be undertaken for such amounts and on such terms as agreed upon by the Chairman or the Executive Director; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall supersede any previous resolutions of the ECFSA with regard to contracting for bond counsel.

This resolution shall take effect immediately.

James Sampson
Chairman

Date: January 9, 2017