

# RESOLUTION

## Resolution Approving an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Village of Algonquin for a Remote Salt Storage Facility Study and Appropriating Funds (82)

**WHEREAS**, the County of McHenry and the Village of Algonquin have the desire to jointly analyze and explore smart design functions and operations while working to promote and create a highly effective and leaner government and organization where practicable; and

**WHEREAS**, the County and the Village have the desire to improve efficiency and encourage resource sharing to optimize the efficient use of public funds and explore ways to work together, as opposed to working independently, to eliminate inefficient or duplicative services, and to make use of existing facilities to achieve economies of scale; and

**WHEREAS**, the County and the Village have the desire to provide additional salt storage capabilities in order to protect public funds from dramatic swings in the price paid for salt due to unforeseeable and extreme climatic events; and

**WHEREAS**, a remote salt storage facility would allow for the ability to take delivery of a year's worth of salt at any given time in the year, with the added benefit of having a supply of salt available to draw from in the event that suppliers are unable to deliver salt due to weather or supply chain limitations; and

**WHEREAS**, having a supply of salt in the southeast part of the county would create a more efficient operation benefiting both agencies as well as the public at large as over 40% of the County's winter maintenance operations occur in the southeastern portion of the County; and

**WHEREAS**, the support for coordination regarding remote salt storage with the Village of Algonquin aligns with the County's 2022-2025 Strategic Plan - Leadership and Governance Goal 5; and

**WHEREAS**, the County and the Village desire to jointly pursue a preliminary planning study to evaluate the required infrastructure to store road salt and perform various operational tasks on the Village's existing Public Works Facility site located at 110 Mitchard Way, Algonquin, IL 60102; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village has contracted with Williams Architects to perform a preliminary planning study for a total cost of \$49,813.00; and

**WHEREAS**, the County and the Village have agreed to split the cost of the preliminary planning study equally; and

**WHEREAS**, the Transportation and Finance & Audit Committees have reviewed and recommend approval of the attached Intergovernmental Agreement with the Village of Algonquin.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by this County Board of McHenry County, Illinois, that it hereby approves the attached Intergovernmental Agreement between the County of McHenry and the Village of Algonquin; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that there is hereby appropriated from the FY2024 budget the sum of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000.00) from the RTA Sales Tax Fund; Fund-Dept.-Div.-Main Acct. 260-82-8200-607000; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Chairman is authorized to execute said agreement; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a Purchase Order shall be opened in the not to exceed amount of \$30,000.00; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the County Clerk is hereby authorized to distribute a certified copy of this Resolution to the County Administrator and the Chief Financial Officer, and an electronic copy to the Director of Transportation/County Engineer.

**DATED** at Woodstock, Illinois, this 16th day of July, A.D., 2024.

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Michael Buehler, Chairman  
McHenry County Board

ATTEST:

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Joseph J. Tirio, County Clerk

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**SUBJECT:** Resolution Approving an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Village of Algonquin for a Remote Salt Storage Facility Study and Appropriating Funds (82)

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**Board / Committee Action Requested:**

To approve an intergovernmental agreement with the Village of Algonquin for a remote salt storage facility study and appropriating funds.

**Background and Discussion:**

For many years, the County has been participating in discussions with the Village of Algonquin regarding the establishment of a shared public works yard and storage facility to host supplies and equipment. A remote facility will enable the McHenry County Division of Transportation to enhance the level of service delivery available to residents in the southeast portion of the County.

Over the last several months, staff from the Village has met with McHenry County officials to discuss the benefits of the shared yard and what the expectations for each organization would be. Both agencies have agreed to begin with a preliminary study, with the Village as the lead agency responsible for contracting an architecture firm to conduct the study. The County will be responsible for reimbursing the Village for half of the costs, per the attached Intergovernmental Agreement.

Both agencies have agreed to utilize Williams Architects as the firm for the preliminary design. Williams has worked with the Village of Algonquin in the past and was the designer for the current Public Works Facility at 110 Mitchard Way. The preliminary design scope of work includes looking at three potential options for the layout of the site, based upon each organization's needs. It is anticipated that should this project move forward, phase one would include upsizing the existing salt dome, brine system, and fuel island. Phase two would include construction of a storage site for the County and expansion of the existing facility for the Village. Williams has agreed to conduct the study at a cost not to exceed \$49,813, to be split between both agencies.

**Impact on Human Resources:** N/A

**Impact on Budget (Revenue; Expenses, Fringe Benefits):**

This expense has been included in the FY2024 budget.

**Impact on Capital Expenditures:**

In the future, some County capital equipment could be stored at this remote facility to improve operations.

**Impact on Physical Space:**

Storing a portion of the County's capital equipment and supplies at this remote facility will free up space at the Division of Transportation main office at 16111 Nelson Road, Woodstock.

**Impact on Other County Departments or Outside Agencies:**

Intergovernmental cooperation with the Village of Algonquin on a remote facility will improve the County's response time in the southeast quadrant during maintenance operations.

**Conformity to Board Ordinances, Policies and Strategic Plan:**

Conforms to the County's Strategic Plan and Five-Year Transportation Program.