

RESOLUTION

Resolution Renewing an Agreement between the County of McHenry and the Illinois Energy Conservation Authority NFP, to provide Commercial Property Assessed Clean Energy Improvement Administration Services (06)

WHEREAS, the Illinois State Legislature has enabled Counties to establish a Commercial Property Assessed Clean Energy Program (C-PACE) under the Property Assessed Clean Energy Act (50ILCS 50); and

WHEREAS, in 2019 the County Board approved Resolution R-201911-06-253 agreeing to allow the Illinois Energy Conservation Authority, NFP (IECA) to administer C-PACE in McHenry County at no cost to the County; and

WHEREAS, the Illinois Energy Conservation Authority has developed program elements, procedures, administrative fees, and forms in accordance with statutory requirements and has run the program since 2019; and

WHEREAS, four businesses in McHenry County have entered the Program with one completed installation and the County wishes to renew the agreement with IECA for a further five years at no cost to the County; and

WHEREAS, the Planning, Environment, & Development, and Finance and Audit Committees have reviewed this recommendation.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by this County Board of McHenry County, Illinois, that it hereby authorizes the Director of Procurement & Special Services to execute a five-year Agreement extension with IECA to provide C-PACE Administrator Program services at no cost to the County; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Clerk is hereby authorized to distribute a certified copy of this Resolution to the Director of Procurement & Special Services, the County Assessor, the Chief Financial Officer, and the County Administrator.

DATED at Woodstock, Illinois, this 18th day of February, A.D., 2025.

Michael Buehler, Chairman
McHenry County Board

ATTEST:

Joseph J. Tirio, County Clerk

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SUBJECT: Resolution Renewing an Agreement between the County of McHenry and the Illinois Energy Conservation Authority NFP, to provide Commercial Property Assessed Clean Energy Improvement Administration Services (06)

Board / Committee Action Requested: Approval of a five-year extension to the existing agreement with the Illinois Energy Conservation Authority (IECA) providing Commercial Property Assessed Clean Energy (C-PACE) administration services for County of McHenry commercial property owners, at no cost to the County of McHenry. A program summary follows this page.

Background and Discussion: As part of the Illinois Property Clean Energy Act (50 ILCS 50), the IECA provides commercial property owners with access to capital for the completion of specified energy and water efficiency projects. Financing of the projects is repaid as an assessment on the property's regular tax bill. Benefits to commercial property owners include an innovative means to finance energy efficiency and renewable energy upgrades as well as enabling installation of comprehensive retrofits. These improvements may significantly impact the business' bottom line immediately with little to no up-front cost. IECA collaborated with the County to develop program elements, procedures, fees, and forms

Impact on Human Resources: None

Impact on Budget (Revenue; Expenses, Fringe Benefits): None, the County recovers administrative costs related to assessment and collection of property tax under the C-PACE program.

Impact on Capital Expenditures: None, County-owned buildings are not eligible to participate.

Impact on Physical Space: None

Impact on Other County Departments/Outside Agencies: None, program currently in place.

Conformity to Board Ordinances, Policies and Strategic Plan: The County may expect increases in economic development as costs of doing business are lowered and property values increase. This can make the County more attractive to new and existing businesses. Local contractors and their employees benefit by installing the capital improvements. Additional benefits include improved air quality and reduction to demands on the utility grid and water resources.