

# Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure A.S. House of Representatives

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### AMENDED COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

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ALTERATION TED WEISS FEDERAL BUILDING

NEW YORK, NY PNY-0350-NY15

Resolved by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the U.S. House of Representatives, that pursuant to 40 U.S.C. §3307, appropriations are authorized for repairs and alterations to modernize elevators in the Ted Weiss Federal Building located at 290 Broadway in New York, New York, at a design cost of \$1,004,000, an estimated construction cost of \$9,811,000 and a management and inspection cost of \$918,000 for a total estimated project cost of \$11,733,000, a prospectus for which is attached to and included in this resolution. This resolution amends amounts authorized in the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure resolution of February 28, 2013 authorizing prospectus number PEX-00001.

*Provided*, that the General Services Administration shall not delegate to any other agency the authority granted by this resolution.

Adopted: July 16, 2014

Bill Shuster, M.C Chairman

Prospectus Number: PNY-0350-NY15 Congressional District: 08

### FY2015 Project Summary

The General Services Administration (GSA) proposes a repair and alteration project to modernize elevators in the Ted Weiss Federal Building (Weiss FB) located at 290 Broadway, New York, NY. The elevators have reached the end of their useful life, are inefficient and difficult and costly to maintain.

This project was among those previously included in GSA's FY 2013 Capital Investment and Leasing Program's Exigent Needs prospectus. Although the prospectus was approved by the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works and the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure on July 24, 2012, and February 28, 2013, respectively, no funds were ever appropriated. GSA will not seek to have the Exigent Needs prospectus funded in the aggregate. Instead, the agency will seek individual prospectus approval and funding for certain of the projects originally included as part of the Exigent Needs prospectus, such as the work described in this prospectus.

For FY 2015, this prospectus proposes repairs and alterations to the Weiss FB at a total cost of \$11,733,000.

### FY2015 Committee Approval and Appropriation Requested

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#### Major Work Items

Elevator upgrades

#### **Project Budget**

| Design                              | \$1,004,000 |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|
| Estimated Construction Cost (ECC)   |             |
| Management and Inspection (M&I)     | 918,000     |
| Estimated Total Project Cost (ETPC) | \$11,733,00 |

| Schedule                | Start  | End    |
|-------------------------|--------|--------|
| Design and Construction | FY2015 | FY2017 |

#### Building

The Weiss Federal Building is a 34-story office building built in 1994 as part of the \$700 million Foley Square Project. The building was named after the late Congressman Ted Weiss, who represented the district in the House of Representatives from 1977 until his

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death in 1992. The building contains 768,759 rentable square feet of office space and approximately 163 indoor parking spaces. The top 2 floors are mechanical floors and there are two floors below grade.

The Weiss FB is adjacent to the Jacob K. Javits Federal Office Building, the James L. Watson Court of International Trade, the Daniel P. Moynihan U.S. Courthouse, the Thurgood Marshall U.S. Courthouse, the New York County and State Courts, and the downtown Manhattan Civic Center.

During construction of the Foley Square Project which included both the Weiss FB and the Moynihan Courthouse at 500 Pearl Street, an African burial ground was discovered. The project was revised in order to preserve what is now known as the African Burial Ground National Monument and was transferred to the National Park Service in 2006. The African Burial Ground National Monument Visitor Center is located on the first floor of the Weiss FB.

The Weiss FB has the distinction of being the first federal building in the nation to participate in and receive the prestigious Energy Star Building Label from the Department of Energy (DOE) and Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

#### Major Tenant Agencies

Environmental Protection Agency, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Internal Revenue Service

#### **Proposed Project**

The proposed project will modernize the 16 passenger and two service elevators in the building. The scope includes the total overhaul of control, mechanical, air conditioning, electrical, and fire safety systems and modernization of the door closers equipment and access platforms. The prospectus will fully modernize the low-rise elevators that service floors 1-15 and the freight elevators that service the basement through the penthouse.

Interim repairs to the high-rise elevators were undertaken in FY 2012 and FY 2013 using minor program funds.

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### **Major Work Items**

Elevator Upgrades Total ECC \$9,811,000 \$9,811,000

### **Justification**

The 20 year old elevators at the Weiss Federal Building are beyond their useful life and are in need upgrades. When the elevators are taken out of service for needed repairs and service, the interruptions negatively impact the tenants. Upgrades to the elevators will improve serviceability and as GSA continues its effort to optimize inventory, increase building population, improve space utilization and reduce the government's environmental footprint, a reliable and safe conveyance system is critical for the building occupants.

#### Summary of Energy Compliance

This project will be designed to conform to requirements of the Facilities Standards for the Public Buildings Service and will implement strategies to meet the Guiding Principles for High Performance and Sustainable Buildings. GSA encourages design opportunities to increase energy and water efficiency above the minimum performance criteria.

#### **Prior Appropriations**

None

#### **Prior Committee Approvals**

| Prior Committee Approvals* |         |              |                       |
|----------------------------|---------|--------------|-----------------------|
| Committee                  | Date    | Amount       | Purpose               |
| Senate EPW                 | 7/25/12 | \$11,700,000 | Repair and Alteration |
| House T&I                  | 2/28/12 | \$11,700,000 | Repair and Alteration |

\*Included in the FY 2013 Exigent Needs Prospectus PEX-00001 approved for \$122,936,000.

### Prior Prospectus-Level Projects in Building (past 10 years)

None

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### Alternatives Considered (30-year, present value cost analysis)

There are no feasible alternatives to this project. This is a limited scope renovation and the cost of the proposed project is far less than the cost of leasing or constructing a new building.

### Recommendation

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### **Certification of Need**

The proposed project is the best solution to meet a validated Government need.

| Submitted at Washi | ington, DC, on March_6, 2014                   |
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| Recommended:       | Drothy Rokyw                                   |
|                    | Commissioner, Public Buildings Service         |
| Approved:          | Administrator, General Services Administration |

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COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE RESOLUTION 20510-6175

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### ALTERATION TED WEISS FEDERAL BUILDING NEW YORK, NY PNY-0350-NY15

## RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS OF THE UNITED STATES SENATE

that pursuant to title 40 U.S.C. § 3307, a prospectus providing for a repair and alteration project to modernize elevators in the Ted Weiss Federal Building located at 290 Broadway in New York, New York, at a cost not to exceed \$1,004,000 for design; \$9,811,000 for construction; and a management and inspection cost of \$918,000, for a total cost of \$11,733,000, a description of which is attached hereto and by reference made part of this resolution, is approved.

This resolution amends amounts authorized in the Committee on Environment and Public Works resolution of July 25, 2012 authorizing prospectus number PEX-00001.

*Provided*, that the Administrator shall not delegate to any other agency the authority granted by this resolution.

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**Ranking Member** 

Adopted: April 28, 201