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TO: The Honorable Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: John J. Hsu, P.E.
Commissioner of Public Works

DATE: September 29, 2010

SUBJECT: Authority to enter into a grant Agreement with the State of New York Governor's Traffic Safety Committee for the Purpose of Administering the Community Awareness for Roadway Safety Program (Agreement No. 10-935)

Authority is hereby requested for the County of Westchester to enter into a grant Agreement with the State of New York Governor's Traffic Safety Committee for the purpose of administering the Community Awareness for Roadway Safety Program. This Agreement will begin the third phase of funding in the amount of \$166,354 without a County match. The period covered by this Agreement is October 1, 2010 to September 30, 2011.

Attached for your consideration is a proposed Resolution, which, if adopted would authorize the County to enter into a grant Agreement with the State of New York Governor's Traffic Safety Committee to implement the Community Awareness for Roadway Safety Program.

Entering into this Agreement is in the public's best interest because it will promote the health, safety and welfare of the general public by implementing countywide traffic safety programs to increase community awareness in the areas of child passenger safety, aggressive driving, seat belt use, as well as bicycle, pedestrian and school bus safety and, therefore, reduce motor vehicle crashes, injuries and fatalities in the county. Likewise, the program is fiscally responsible as it is grant funded and reduces the burden on the local tax base. Health, energy and environmental effects are very positive as more persons are made aware of safe driving, and the benefits of walking and biking. Thus, the County Executive's priority areas of Safety and Security (SS), Fiscal Responsibility (FR), and Health and the Environment (HE) are addressed.

This Department will utilize The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and the NYS Governor's Traffic Safety Committee's procedures, set of data collection forms and tools to track the program's success in accomplishing goals and objectives. This department will submit expense records/vouchers for reimbursement through the County's Advantage Financial System to track the grant monies for this Agreement and will use other internal methods working with the Department's Financial Control section to track expenses and prepare vouchers for reimbursement.

Attached for your consideration is a proposed form of Resolution, which, if adopted, would authorize the County to enter into an Agreement with the New York State Governor's Traffic Safety Committee to implement the Community Awareness for Roadway Safety Program.

Approval is recommended.

RESOLUTION

Upon communication from the Commissioner of Public Works, be it hereby

RESOLVED, that the County is authorized to enter into a grant Agreement with the State of New York Governor's Traffic Safety Committee for the Community Awareness for Roadway Safety Program, whereby the County will receive \$166,354 for the period October 1, 2010 – September 30, 2011 to conduct the third phase of the project, including without limitation, traffic safety programs, such as, occupant restraint safety, safe driving, bicycle/pedestrian safety and traffic injury prevention, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive or his duly appointed designee be, and hereby is, authorized to take such actions and execute such documents as may be necessary and appropriate to effectuate the purposes hereof.

Agreement No. 10-935

Account to be Charged/Credited	Fund	Dept	Major Program, Program & Phase Or Unit	Object/ Sub Object	Trust Account	Dollars
	263	46	644K	9853	T644	\$166,354

Budget Funding Year(s): 2010-2011 Start Date: 10/01/10 End Date: 09/30/11
 (must match resolution)

Funding Source: Tax Dollars: _____

Contractor Federal I.D. No./ Social Security No. _____

State Aid: _____

\$166,354 Federal Aid: 100%
 (must match resolution)

Vendor No. _____

Other: _____

Encumbrance No. _____