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July 26, 2011

TO: Honorable Members
Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: George N. Longworth
Commissioner-Sheriff
Department of Public Safety

Marguerite Beirne
Chief Information Officer
Department of Information Technology

RE: Resolution authorizing the County of Westchester to enter into an agreement with the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services to accept Federal funds in an amount not to exceed \$272,788.00 for the Department of Public Safety to purchase and install radio communication equipment pursuant to an approved budget

Attached for your consideration is a Resolution which, if approved by your Honorable Board, would authorize the County of Westchester, acting by and through the Department of Public Safety ("Department"), to enter into an agreement with the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services ("DHSES") for the period commencing June 1, 2010 through May 31, 2013, to accept Federal funds in an amount not to exceed \$272,788.00 to be used toward the purchase and installation of radio communication equipment for the Department in addition to personnel costs for training exercises involving the operation of interoperable radio equipment.

Funding for this grant will be made available through the Federal FY10 Interoperable Emergency Communications Grant Program (IECGP) through DHSES to advance the ability of local emergency service providers, including law enforcement agencies, to communicate efficiently and effectively with one another where there is a need for interagency communication. The \$272,788.00 award will assist the Department's purchase and installation of radio equipment which will aid in communications in the area of White Plains and the Westchester County Airport, as well as to provide funding for personnel costs in connection with interoperable communications among law enforcement agencies in and around Westchester County. The County will provide \$248,641 in additional funding from an existing capital project, BPS16 Communications Room and Equipment Upgrade, of which \$65,929 is the required match for the grant. The total project cost will be \$521,429.

The public purpose of this grant is to enhance the public safety by facilitating communications between and among police, fire, EMS, and Emergency Management agencies in the furtherance of their respective missions in the case of joint operations. The goals and objectives of this program will be met by bringing on-line equipment necessary for such interagency communications and conducting exercises involving the operation of such equipment. The goals and objectives of this program will be tracked and monitored by the Department's Communications Unit.

Based upon the foregoing, I most respectfully recommend approval of the attached Resolution.

GNL/JW/cs
Attachment

RESOLUTION

Upon a communication from the Commissioner-Sheriff of the Department of Public Safety and the Chief Information Officer, Department of Information Technology, be it hereby

RESOLVED, that authority is granted to the County of Westchester, acting by and through the Department of Public Safety ("Department"), to enter into an agreement with the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services for the period commencing June 1, 2010 through May 31, 2013, to accept Federal funds in an amount not to exceed \$272,788.00 to assist the Department's purchase and installation of radio equipment which will aid in communications in the area of White Plains and the Westchester County Airport, as well as to provide funding for personnel costs in connection with interoperable communications among law enforcement agencies in and around Westchester County. The County will provide \$248,641 in additional funding from an existing capital project, BPS16 Communications Room and Equipment Upgrade, of which \$65,929 is the required match for the grant. The total project cost will be \$521,429; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive or his duly authorized designee is authorized and empowered to execute and deliver all instruments and take all actions necessary or appropriate to effectuate the purposes hereof.

Account to be Charged/Revenue	Fund	Dept	Major Program, Program & Phase or Unit	Object/ Sub-Object/Revenue	Trust Account	Dollars
	263	38	032K	9853	T032	\$ 272,788
	338	38	BPS16-00-M	6190		\$ 248,641

Budget Funding Year(s)

Start 6/1/2010

End Date 5/31/2013

Funding Source

Tax Dollars: \$248,641

State Aid: _____

Federal Aid: \$272,788 -Federal Funds channeled through the NYS Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Service

\$521,429
(must match resolution)

Other: _____

APPROVED BOARD OF ACQUISITION & CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION, SECRETARY