

Department of Public Works and Transportation

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TO: Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: Thomas J. Lauro, P.E.  
Acting Commissioner of Public Works and Transportation

DATE: January 9, 2012

RE: AUTHORITY FOR THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER TO ENTER INTO A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO ACCEPT A GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,280,000.00 TO FINANCE THE OPERATION OF THE "WESTCHESTER SHUTTLE NETWORK" FOR THE PERIOD OCTOBER 1, 2011 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2012

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Authority is requested for the County of Westchester to enter into an agreement with the New York State Department of Transportation to accept grant funds totaling \$1,280,000.00 (comprised of 80% Federal STPX - \$1,024,000.00, and 20% State SDF - \$256,000.00) for services provided during the period October 1, 2011 through September 30, 2012.

The New York State Department of Transportation has developed a long-term program to fund and coordinate Regional Transit services. Specific bus services and passenger information activities are eligible for participation in the program. There will be no change in present bus operations and there will be no cost to the County other than the cost of service operation which is included in the operating budget.

The goal of this agreement is to provide reimbursement for expenses the County has incurred or will incur in the operation of bus service and passenger information activities from October 1, 2011 through September 30, 2012. The purpose of the State program is to reduce traffic congestion by encouraging the use of transit as an alternative to individual motor vehicle operation.

The continued provision of bus service and distribution of public information are in the interest of public health by facilitating the use of public transit rather than personal vehicles.

This program will be monitored through the Department of Public Works and Transportation's routine monthly ridership analysis as well as the system-wide passenger count program. The receipt of reimbursement funds will be monitored by both the Department of Public Works and Transportation and the Department of Finance.

I certify that my department, a) has copies of, or access to, all applicable laws, rules, regulations, grant applications, and grant agreements (including any master grant agreement), as well as any guidance or instructions received from the agency making the grant (the "Grant Terms"), b) has reviewed the Grant Terms, c) is aware of and understands all of the Grant Terms, and d) can and will comply with all of the Grant Terms.

# RESOLUTION

Upon a communication from the Acting Commissioner of Public Works and Transportation, be it hereby:

**RESOLVED**, that the County of Westchester is authorized to enter into an agreement with the New York State Department of Transportation for the receipt of \$1,280,000.00 (80% Federal STPX and 20% State SDF) for the operation of certain bus services, including the Westchester Shuttle Network and the management of bus stop information, as part of a Regional Transportation Program for transit services provided during the period from October 1, 2011 through September 30, 2012; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the County Executive or his duly authorized designee is authorized to execute all documents necessary to implement the purpose of this resolution.

Account to be Charged/Credited	Fund	Dept.	Major Program, Program & Phase Or Unit	Revenue Source	Trust Account	Dollars
	101	44	2100	9734		\$ 236,933.00
	263	44	278M	9734	T278	\$ 19,067.00
	101	44	2100	9818		\$ 947,734.00
	263	44	278M	9818	T278	\$ 76,266.00

Budget Funding Year(s) 2011-2012 Start Date October 1, 2011 End Date September 30, 2012  
 (must match resolution)

Funding Source: Tax Dollars \_\_\_\_\_  
 State Aid \$ 256,000.00  
\$1,280,000.00 Federal Aid \$1,024,000.00  
 (must match resolution) Other \_\_\_\_\_