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Department of Probation

Rocco A. Pozzi
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To: The Honorable Board of Acquisition and Contract

From: Rocco A. Pozzi
Commissioner, Department of Probation

Subject: Authority to extend an agreement with Leake and Watts Services, Inc. for the provision of Secure Detention and related medical, clinical, educational, transportation, cleaning, security systems and food services at Woodfield Secure Detention Cottage for an additional six months from July 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012 in an amount not to exceed \$1,423,367.00 to be paid in accordance with an approved budget and subject to appropriations

Authority is requested for the County of Westchester, acting by and through its Department of Probation, to extend an agreement with Leake and Watts Services, Inc. ("Leake and Watts") for the provision of Secure Detention and related, medical, clinical, educational, transportation cleaning, security systems and food services at Woodfield Secure Detention Cottage for the period July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012, (the "Agreement") for an additional six months from July 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012 in an amount not to exceed \$1,423,367.00.

By a separate resolution of even date herewith, your Honorable Board was asked to approve the exemption of this proposed agreement from the policies and procedures of the Westchester County Procurement Policy and procedures in accordance with Section 3(a)xxi thereof.

The extension of this Agreement serves a public purpose by ensuring the safety and well-being of the detainees in the facility and the residents of the County. Pursuant to this Agreement, Leake and Watts will provide educational and secure detention services in Woodfield Cottage for all youth referred who are Juvenile Delinquents ("JDs") and Juvenile Offenders ("JOs"). This program provides a positive behavior modification incentive where youth earn points for positive behavior and lose points for negative behavior. The higher they reach on the points charts (based on the "belt" system in karate), the more they are able to earn privileges that are in keeping with the secure detention facility. The program also operates utilizing positive role modeling and incentives that will result in youth

adopting positive traits. The program is also an accredited GED testing station in addition to offering a wide range of appropriate educational services. Leake and Watts provides all youth at Woodfield Cottage with New York State's regulated complement of services and supports, providing the following services as needed: medical, clinical health, mental health, educational, recreational, life skills, transportation, cleaning, security systems and food service.

The goals and objectives of this Agreement are to provide secure detention services aimed at developing a balanced juvenile system that promotes community protection, fair and appropriate placement, accountability, and competency development for Juvenile Delinquents (JDs) and Juvenile Offenders (JOs). This program addresses the needs of these JDs and JOs in the following areas:

- Medical Care
- Substance abuse services
- Mental health services
- Food services
- Counseling services
- Recreation and life skills
- Education

The goals and objectives of this program are in the best interest of the County of Westchester in terms of public safety as the services provided to these detainees under this program are deemed to ensure the prevention of youth crimes and delinquency and aid in the advancement of the moral, mental, and social well-being of youth in Westchester County. The program would help create a peaceful living environment for the residents while assisting the detainees to become better people through the supportive services provided hereunder.

Further, the above said goals and objectives are in the best interest of the county in terms of fiscal responsibility as the program would save tax dollars in the area of public safety due to the reduction in crimes and violence. It should be noted that the per diem cost for detention services in the immediate surrounding counties – namely centers in New York City and Nassau – is roughly \$473 to \$900 compared to Woodfield's current daily rate, \$383. Were it not for Woodfield, Westchester County would be forced to place remanded JDs and JOs in these other facilities (at the higher rate) or seek detention centers that are located a significant distance from our county (e.g., Erie County Detention), thereby incurring additional costs in staffing, overtime and transportation. Additionally, it should be noted that the cost of institutionalization in the Westchester County Jail reaches a per diem of over \$210 per day. Since more than 80% of kids entering Woodfield receive the appropriate educational, mental, health, medical and secure detention services that allow the County to better plan for their service needs in the community and avoid further placement, it is reasonable to state that the services provided in our secure detention will potentially translate into a number of youths not returning to a life of crime and incurring those per diem costs at the Jail in the future.

The goals and objectives will be monitored using the performance measures; the vendor has met and exceeded the performance goals during the 2011/2012 contract year. To date, the secure detention program had 257 admissions. All youth admitted to the program received orientation and intake, youth development and surveillance, educational, health and clinical services. It should be noted that Woodfield Cottage serves many counties and that not all of the admissions were Westchester County residents. Westchester County does not have control of the after care decisions for those out of county placements.

Except as specifically amended hereby, all other terms and conditions of the Agreement shall remain the same.

Accordingly, approval of the attached resolution authorizing the County to extend for an additional six (6) month term an agreement with Leake and Watts Services, Inc. is respectfully requested.

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Attachment

APPROVED BOARD OF ACQUISITION & CONTRACT - 08/30/2012 - JOMARY VELAZQUEZ, SECRETARY

RESOLUTION

Upon a communication from the Commissioner of the Department of Probation, be it hereby

RESOLVED, that the County of Westchester, acting by and through its Department of Probation, is authorized to extend an agreement with Leake and Watts Services, Inc. ("Leake and Watts") for the provision of secure detention and related, medical, clinical, educational, transportation cleaning, security systems and food services at Woodfield Secure Detention Cottage for the period July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012 (the "Agreement") in order to extend the Agreement an additional six months from July 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012 in an amount not to exceed \$1,423,367.00 payable pursuant to an approved budget; and be it further

RESOLVED, that all other terms and conditions of the Agreement shall remain in full force and effect; and be it further;

RESOLVED, that this Agreement is subject to County appropriations; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this Agreement is also subject to further financial analysis of the impact of any New York State Budget (the "State Budget") proposed and adopted during the term of this Agreement. The County shall retain the right, upon the occurrence of any release by the Governor of a proposed State Budget and/or the adoption of a State Budget or any amendments thereto, and for a reasonable period after such release(s) or adoptions(s), to conduct an analysis of the impacts of any such State Budget on County finances. After such analysis, the County shall retain the right either to terminate this Agreement or to renegotiate the amounts and rates approved herein. If the County subsequently offers to pay a reduced amount to the Contractor, then the Contractor shall have the right to terminate this Agreement upon reasonable prior written notice; and be it further

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

2006-7	Original Agreement	\$ 2,591,692
2007-8	First Amendment	2,948,242
2008-9	Second Amendment	3,069,984
2009-10	Third Amendment	3,146,734
2010-11	Fourth Amendment	3,146,734
2011-12	Fifth Amendment	3,146,734
2012	Sixth Amendment	<u>1,423,367</u>
TOTAL		\$19,473,487

Account to be Charged/Credited

Fund	Dept	Major Program, Program & Phase Or Unit	Object/ Sub- Object	Trust Account	Dollars
101	39	2000	4380		\$1,423,367

Budget Funding Year(s) 2012 Start Date: 7/1/12 End Date: 12/31/12

(must match resolution)

Funding Source

\$ 1,423,367

(must match resolution)

Tax Dollars: 34% (\$483,945) _____
 State Aid: 66% (\$939,422) _____
 Federal Aid _____
 Other _____

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