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TO: Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: Jay T. Pisco, P.E.
Commissioner of Public Works and Transportation

DATE: November 5, 2012

SUBJECT: Authority to enter into a grant adjustment agreement with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (“FEMA”) of the United States Department of Homeland Security, to reprogram the Fiscal Year 2010 Transportation Security Grant Program to conduct a public awareness campaign to educate Bee-Line riders on being more aware of their surroundings, and to encourage them to report behavior that may appear suspicious to transportation and law enforcement authorities and to reallocate the grant funds to this public awareness campaign (Agreement No. DOTCPRV13-01)

By Resolution approved on November 12, 2010, your Honorable Board authorized the County of Westchester (the “County”), acting by and through its Department of Public Works and Transportation and Public Safety, to enter into a grant agreement, the Fiscal Year 2010 Transportation Security Grant Program, with FEMA to provide up to \$500,000.00 to construct access controls at the Cerrato Satellite Bus Facility in Valhalla, New York. The grant agreement was subsequently executed. The County has since reevaluated the need for the security fence at the Cerrato Satellite Bus Facility and determined that it is not a priority due to the facility’s location in a non-urban environment and the significant security enhancements that are expected through current security projects at the facility using Homeland Security grant funds. The County requested and received approval from FEMA to reprogram and reallocate the Fiscal Year 2010 Transportation Security Grant Program funds to conduct a public awareness campaign, the “If You See Something, Say Something™ Campaign” to educate Bee-Line riders on being more aware of their surroundings, and to encourage them to report behavior that may appear suspicious to transportation and law enforcement authorities.

Accordingly, authority of your Honorable Board is requested to enter into a grant adjustment agreement with FEMA to reprogram the grant and reallocate the Fiscal Year 2010 Transportation Security Grant Program funds to conduct a public awareness campaign, the “If You See Something, Say Something™ Campaign” to educate Bee-Line riders on being more aware of their surroundings, and to encourage them to report behavior that may appear suspicious to transportation and law enforcement authorities for the grant term June 1, 2010 through May 31, 2013.

Submitted simultaneously under separate cover is a Resolution to enter into an agreement with Corey Kay & Partners to design, develop and implement a Westchester County Bee-Line System anti-terrorism public awareness campaign using the “If You See Something, Say Something™” slogan to be fully funded by the Fiscal Year 2010 Transportation Security Grant Program as reprogrammed by this grant adjustment agreement.

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The public purpose of this agreement is to improve responses to potential acts of terrorism on Bee-Line buses and at bus stops, and thereby improve safety to Bee-Line passengers.

The goals and objectives are to encourage vigilance among bus passengers regarding reporting suspicious behavior and raise awareness among the public about potential acts of terrorism.

The agreement will be tracked and monitored by the Department of Public Works and Transportation, Transportation Division.

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.

A Resolution for your consideration is annexed hereto. I recommend your favorable consideration of the annexed proposed Resolution.

Attachment

R E S O L U T I O N

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

RESOLVED, that approval is hereby granted for the County of Westchester (the "County") to enter into a grant adjustment agreement with the Federal Emergency Management Agency ("FEMA") of the United States Department of Homeland Security, to reprogram the Fiscal Year 2010 Transportation Security Grant Program and reallocate the grant funds to conduct a public awareness campaign, the "If You See Something, Say Something™ Campaign" to educate Bee-Line riders on being more aware of their surroundings, and to encourage them to report behavior that may appear suspicious to transportation and law enforcement authorities for the grant term of June 1, 2010 through May 31, 2013; 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 actions necessary or appropriate to effectuate the purposes hereof.

Agreement No. DOTCPRV13-01

Account to be Charged/credited	Fund	Dept	Major Program, Program & Phase Or Unit	Object/ Sub Object	Trust Account	Dollars
	665	44	T004004S	6120		\$500,000.00

Budget Funding Year(s) 2010-2013 Start Date 06/01/2010 End Date 05/31/2013
 (must match resolution)

Funding Source	Tax Dollars	
	State Aid	
<u>\$500,000.00</u>	Federal Aid	\$500,000.00
(must match resolution)	Other	