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TO: Board of Acquisition and Contract

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

Evan Latainer  
Director, Office for the Disabled

DATE: April 1, 2014

SUBJECT: **Authorization to terminate Contract No. 11-222 with Intrepid Taxi Corp. for the provision of taxi services within White Plains under the County's Para Transit Program and advertise for new bids for the period June 1, 2014 through May 31, 2015, with the County's option to extend for an additional one (1) year period**

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In December, 2011, bids were received and opened for Contract No. 11-222 for Taxi Pilot Program Services, City of White Plains, New York for a term of one (1) year commencing in 2012 with four one (1) year extension options for the provision of taxi services within the City of White Plains to customers of the County's Para Transit Program. Pursuant to a Resolution approved on December 29, 2011, Intrepid Taxi Corp. was awarded the contract as the low bidder. The Intrepid contract was subsequently extended for the years 2013 and 2014. However, in an effort to increase the efficiency of the Para Transit Program, the Office for the Disabled ("OFD") has proposed a number of changes to the scope of work. OFD would like to have this contract include a rate for trips from White Plains to the Westchester Medical Center and surrounding Valhalla area. Additionally, the overall number of zones in the contract has been reduced while also creating a new zone for ½ mile outside of the White Plains border. The current contract, pursuant to paragraph FIFTH therein, authorizes the County to terminate the contract on thirty (30) days notice when the County deems such termination to be in its best interest. As a result of the proposed changes in the scope of services, it will be necessary to terminate the current contract and re-bid.

The new White Plains Para Transit taxi contract is in the public's best interest because it will continue to provide a cost effective alternative to traditional Para Transit for ambulatory citizens, thus addressing the County Executive's priority area: Fiscal Responsibility (FR).

As expenditures are made pursuant to this authorization, detailed records will be kept in the County's on-line financial system. These records will be easily accessible by Finance, Budget and department staff and will be reviewed regularly to ensure that funds are used appropriately.

A proposed Resolution is attached for your consideration.

# RESOLUTION

Upon a communication from the Commissioner of Public Works and Transportation and the Director of the Office for the Disabled, it is hereby

**RESOLVED**, that the County of Westchester is authorized to terminate Contract No. 11-222 with Intrepid Taxi Corp., 7 Intervale Street, White Plains, New York 10606, for Taxi Pilot Program Services, City of White Plains, New York for the year 2014, effective May 31, 2014; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the Commissioner of Public Works and Transportation be and he hereby is authorized to solicit bids by public advertisement on the following contract:

**CONTRACT NO. DOTOP04-14**  
 Para Bee-Line Cab Services for White Plains  
 City of White Plains, New York

; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that this advertisement for bids will state that pursuant to Chapter 308 of the Laws of the County of Westchester, the policy of the County is to encourage the meaningful and significant participation on County contracts for business enterprises owned by persons of color and women – Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) and Women Business Enterprise (WBE); and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that due to the nature of the taxi services required under this contract, no performance security shall be required; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that such advertisement shall appear in the following County newspaper(s):

**THE JOURNAL NEWS (Southern Edition)**

; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the County Executive or his authorized designee is hereby authorized and empowered to execute any and all documents necessary or appropriate to effectuate the purposes hereof.

Account to be Charged/Credited	Fund	Dept	Major Program, Program & Phase Or Unit	Object/ Sub Object	Trust Account	Dollars
	101	44	2100	4925		

Budget Funding Year(s) 2014 Start Date \_\_\_\_\_ End Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 (must match resolution)

Funding Source Tax Dollars 100% County  
 State Aid \_\_\_\_\_  
 Federal Aid \_\_\_\_\_  
\$  
 (must match resolution) Other \_\_\_\_\_