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DATE: July 8, 2014

TO: Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: John McCaffrey, Chief Information Officer

RE: AUTHORIZATION TO AMEND CONTRACT (IT-1211) WITH SPX CORPORATION FOR RADIO TOWER STROBE LIGHT MONITORING SERVICES BY 1) EXTENDING THE TERM OF THE CONTRACT FOR THREE YEARS FROM JANUARY 1, 2015 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2017, 2) EXPANDING THE SCOPE OF SERVICES TO INCLUDE PARTS REPLACEMENT, AND 3) INCREASING THE NOT TO EXCEED AMOUNT BY \$9,600 TO A NEW TOTAL NOT TO EXCEED CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$13,300

BACKGROUND:

- On December 8, 2011, your Honorable Board approved a resolution which authorized the County to enter into an agreement (IT-1211) with SPX Corporation ("SPX") for radio tower strobe light monitoring services provided through their subsidiary Flash Technologies ("Flash") for a thirty-seven (37) month period commencing December 1, 2011 and terminating December 31, 2014 for a total not to exceed contract amount of \$3,700 (the "Agreement").
- In order to comply with Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and Federal Communications Commission (FCC) regulations, the aviation obstruction strobe light system on the County's Grasslands radio tower must be monitored in order to ensure that it functions properly on a continuous basis. Any failure of the system to properly function must be immediately corrected or reported to the FAA within 30 minutes.
- The strobe light system on the Grasslands radio tower is currently monitored 24x7 by the manufacturer of the system (Flash, a subsidiary of SPX). When a failure is detected, Flash automatically files the required FAA report and notifies the County. The County has found this service to be fully acceptable.
- The requested amendment to the Agreement with SPX will serve an important public purpose by assuring the County's continued ability to operate the critical public safety radio systems that utilize the Grasslands radio tower.
- The goal and objective of the service to be provided under the amendment to the Agreement is to continue operation of the aviation obstruction strobe light system on the County's Grasslands radio tower. Under the proposed amendment, SPX, through its subsidiary Flash, will provide services that the County requires in order to maintain compliance with FAA and FCC regulations.
- SPX, through its subsidiary Flash, will supply DoIT with regular reports via email, with details and dates. The reports will detail the condition of the strobe light system on the Grasslands radio tower. When necessary, DoIT will conduct telephone conferences with Flash in order to discuss any strobe light system issues.

- The attached resolution serves the County Executive's goal of assuring that contracts are fiscally responsible by allowing the County to directly contract with a reliable service provider instead of purchasing the same service from a third party at additional cost.
- The attached resolution serves the goal of assuring that contracts have a positive impact on the safety and security of the County by allowing the County to continue operation of systems required to ensure public safety.
- Authority to exempt this amendment from the requirements of the Westchester County Procurement Policy and Procedures pursuant to Section 3(a)xxi thereof, has been requested from your Honorable Board by a separate resolution of even date herewith.
- Except as specifically amended hereby, all remaining terms and conditions set forth in the Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

ACTION REQUESTED:

- Authorization to amend an Agreement (IT-1211) with SPX Corporation, having an office and place of business at 13320 Ballantyne Corp. Pl., Charlotte, NC 28277, for radio tower strobe light monitoring services to be provided through its subsidiary, Flash Technologies by 1) extending the term thereof for a three year period commencing January 1, 2015 and terminating December 31, 2017; 2) expanding the scope of services to include parts replacement; and 3) increasing the not-to-exceed amount by an additional \$9,600 for a new total not to exceed contract amount of \$13,300, subject to County appropriations.

APPROVED BOARD OF ACQUISITION CONTRACT - 08/21/2014, HOMER WEIRA, SECRETARY

RESOLUTION

UPON A COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER,
DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, BE IT HEREBY

RESOLVED, that the County of Westchester is hereby authorized to amend an agreement (IT-1211) with SPX Corporation, having an office and place of business at 13320 Ballantyne Corp. Pl., Charlotte, NC 28277, for radio tower strobe light monitoring services, provided through their subsidiary Flash Technology (the "Agreement"), by 1) extending the term of the Agreement for a three year period commencing January 1, 2015 and terminating December 31, 2017; 2) expanding the scope of services to include parts replacement; and 3) increasing the not-to-exceed amount by an additional \$9,600, for a new total not to exceed contract amount of \$13,300; and be it further

RESOLVED, that except as specifically amended hereby, all other terms and condition of the Agreement shall remain in full force and effect; and be it further

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

<u>Agreement # IT-1211</u>	
Original Agreement	\$ 3,700
This Amendment	<u>\$ 9,600</u>
TOTAL	\$13,300

Account to be Charged/Credited:

Year	Fund	Dept	Major Program, Program & Phase Or Unit	Object/ Sub- Object	Trust Account	Dollars
2015	101	16	2500	4200		\$ 3,200
2016	101	16	2500	4200		\$ 3,200
2017	101	16	2500	4200		\$ 3,200

Budget Funding Years: 2015-2017
(must match resolution)

Start Date: January 1, 2015

End Date: December 31, 2017

Funding Source Tax Dollars: \$9,600
 State Aid _____
\$9,600 Federal Aid _____
(must match resolution) Other _____