

42402

DATE: September 26, 2014

TO: The Honorable Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: George N. Longworth
Commissioner-Sheriff

Re: **Authority to enter into an agreement with the State of New York, acting by and through its Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services to accept a grant in an amount not to exceed \$383,482.00 under the FY2014 Bomb Squad Initiative Grant Program funded by the Federal Department of Homeland Security's State Homeland Security Program to be used to purchase Bomb Squad equipment, supplies, training and consultant services for a term commencing September 1, 2014 and continuing through August 31, 2016**

Attached for your consideration is a Resolution which, if approved by your Honorable Board, would authorize the County of Westchester, acting by and through its Department of Public Safety ("Department"), to enter into a grant disbursement agreement with the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services of the State of New York ("DHSES") through the Bomb Squad Grant Initiative to replace an existing grant funded response vehicle, to replace an expired protective bomb suit, to replace an outdated fiber optic camera, to purchase a new grabber pole, to purchase a new communications suite for the protective bomb suits and bomb technicians, to fund required interoperability training between the bomb squad, tactical, marine and canine teams, and to purchase electronics kits for a course designed for bomb technicians. The above noted equipment will be used by the Department's Hazardous Devices Unit and certified bomb technicians. The term of the agreement shall commence September 1, 2014 and continue through August 31, 2016. DHSES shall make payments directly to the County in the amount actually incurred, up to an amount not to exceed Three Hundred Eighty-Three Thousand Four Hundred Eighty-Two (\$383,482.00) Dollars, upon presentation to DHSES of an invoice, together with supporting documentation.

The proposed agreement is in the public's best interest and will promote the safety and general welfare of the public by providing the Department's Hazardous Devices Unit with needed equipment and training to effectively inspect, identify and prosecute potential explosive threats. The goals and objectives of this program are the enhancement of the public safety and security of the County's residents.

The Department is required under the grant disbursement agreement to provide proof of disbursement of the grant funds and will monitor the effectiveness of this agreement through a series of performance measures required by DHSES.

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.

Accordingly, authority is respectfully sought for the County to enter into this Agreement.

GNL/DL/cs/tsa
Attachment

APPROVED BOARD OF ACQUISITION & CONTRACT - 10/23/2014 - JOMARY VEIRA, SECRETARY

RESOLUTION

Upon a communication from the Commissioner of Public Safety, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that authority is hereby granted to the County of Westchester (“County”) acting by and through its Department of Public Safety (“Department”), to enter into a grant disbursement agreement with the Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Services of the State of New York (“DHSES”) to purchase Bomb Squad equipment to be used by the Department’s Hazardous Devices Unit and certified bomb technicians; and be it further

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

<u>Account to be Charged/Revenue</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Dept.</u>	<u>Major Program, Program & Phase or Unit</u>	<u>Revenue</u>	<u>Trust Account</u>	<u>Dollars</u>
2014-2016	263	38	540P	9853	T540	\$383,482

Budget Funding Year(s): 2014 - 2016 Start: September 1, 2014 End Date: August 31, 2016

Funding Source Tax Dollars: \$0
 State Aid: \$383,482 (Federal pass thru)
\$383,482 Federal Aid: _____
 (must match resolution) Other: _____