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July 30, 2019

TO: Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: Mary Mahon
Commissioner of Human Resources

RE: Resolution authorizing the County of Westchester to enter into an agreement with Public Safety Psychology, PLLC to provide psychological testing for local municipal police officer candidates commencing August 31, 2019 and expiring August 30, 2024 at the rate of \$325 per evaluation payable directly by the local municipality, with an option for the County to renew the Agreement for one additional one-year period, under the same terms and conditions.

Authority is requested for the County of Westchester (the "County"), acting by and through its Department of Human Resources ("Department") to enter into an agreement with Public Safety Psychology, PLLC ("Public Safety Psychology") pursuant to which Public Safety Psychology will provide psychological testing for local municipal police officer candidates for the period commencing on August 31, 2019 and continuing through August 30, 2024, renewable at the County's option for one (1) additional one-year period (the "Agreement"). In consideration for services rendered, Public Safety Psychology shall be compensated directly by the local municipality that requests such services at the rate of \$325 per evaluation with no cost to the County.

The County's Department of Human Resources administers the civil service examination for Police Officer candidates. Among the minimum qualifications established by the County for appointment, candidates must pass a psychiatric evaluation. In an effort to promote uniformity and quality control in the administration of the evaluation, one vendor has been selected to perform evaluations for all local police officer candidates. Under the terms of the Agreement, local municipalities will make requests for evaluations directly from Public Safety Psychology and Public Safety Psychology will bill the local municipality directly for the service. There shall be no cost to the County under this Agreement.

This agreement is exempt from the Westchester County Procurement Policy pursuant to Section 3(a) viii of the Policy.

The public purpose is to ensure that local police departments successfully screen all candidates in an effort to ensure that it is offering employment to individuals who are psychologically suited for working in a public safety setting.

The goals and objectives of this Agreement are to effectively and comprehensively screen potential police officer candidates for psychological suitability prior to offering employment at the local municipal police department.

The goals will be tracked and monitored by Department of Human Resources.

Accordingly, approval of the attached resolution is most respectfully requested.

MM/KAM/CMC
Attachment

APPROVED BOARD OF ACQUISITION & CONTRACT 08/22/2019 LEGA MARIJAJ, SECRETARY

RESOLUTION

Upon a communication from the Commissioner of Human Resources, be it hereby

RESOLVED, that the County of Westchester (the “County”), acting by and through its Department of Human Resources, is authorized to enter into an agreement with Public Safety Psychology, PLLC (“Public Safety Psychology”), pursuant to which Public Safety Psychology will provide psychological testing for local municipal police officer candidates for a term commencing on August 31, 2019 and continuing through August 30, 2024, renewable at the County’s option for one (1) additional one-year period on the same terms and conditions; and be it further

RESOLVED, that in consideration for services to be rendered, Public Safety Psychology shall be compensated directly by the local municipality requesting the services at the rate of \$325.00 per evaluation with no cost to the County; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive or his authorized designee is hereby authorized to execute any documents and take any actions reasonably necessary and appropriate to effectuate the purposes of this Resolution.

Account to be Charged/Credited

Fund	Dept	Major Program, Program & Phase Or Unit	Object/ Sub-Object	Trust Account	Dollars
					N/A

Budget/Funding Year(s)
(must match resolution)

Start Date 8/31/2019

End Date 8/30/2024

Funding Source

Tax Dollars _____

State Aid _____

\$ N/A
(must match resolution)

Federal Aid _____

Other _____

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