

Memorandum
Office of Risk Management

## 77895

DATE: July 10, 2020

TO: Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: John M. Nonna

County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution authorizing the purchase of a Business Auto Insurance Policy for the

"Small Bus" and Paratransit Fleets in the amount of \$471,018.50. This insurance is placed with the New York Municipal Insurance Reciprocal ("NYMIR") through the Span Agency, 625 Rt. 6, Mahopac, New York for the period August 22, 2020

through August 22, 2021.

On August 1, 2019, your Honorable Board approved the purchase of Business Auto Insurance for the "Small Bus" and Paratransit Fleets (collectively the "Fleet") for the policy period August 22, 2019 through August 22, 2020.

Authority is now requested for the County of Westchester to purchase a Business Auto Insurance Policy for the Fleet from New York Municipal Insurance Reciprocal ("NYMIR") through the Spain Agency, 625 Rt. 6, Mahopac, NY for the policy period August 22, 2020 through August 22, 2021 in the amount of \$471,018.50.

The purchase of insurance is exempt from the procedures of the County Procurement Policy pursuant to Section 3(a)(v) of said policy. However, in 2016 a broad based market search for this insurance package was conducted and "NYMIR" was chosen as the insurer that addressed the County's business auto insurance needs at the lowest pricing available, replacing the previous insurer.

This year's renewal premium in the amount of \$471,018.50 represents approximately a 2% increase from the 2019-2020 total premium paid. During the 2019-2020 policy year, 12 new vehicles were purchased and added to the policy; 8 vehicles were deleted for a net increase of 4.

The insurance package will provide \$11,000,000.00 of "first dollar" liability coverage, as well as physical damage coverage (subject to a \$2,000.00 deductible for buses and vans and a \$1,000.00 deductible for the Prius vehicles in the fleet); for a total of 116 vehicles comprising the Fleet.

It is anticipated that new vehicles may again be added to the fleet during the policy year. Accordingly, the policy shall be debited at the pro-rated per unit cost as vehicles are added (or credited in the event that a vehicle is deleted).

The goals and objectives of this agreement are to provide insurance coverage for the Fleet. The goals and objectives are in the best interest of the County in terms of fiscal responsibility because the insurance coverage will protect County assets in the event of an accident, thus insuring public service continuity and reducing risk for all parties. Risk Management will track and monitor any reports of incidents and/or accidents occurring over the policy period.

All other terms and conditions of the Business Auto Insurance policy shall remain the same as the expiring program.

ar fay Accordingly, your favorable action on the annexed Resolution is recommended.

## RESOLUTION

Upon a communication from the County Attorney, be it hereby

**RESOLVED**, that the County of Westchester is hereby authorized to secure Business Auto Insurance from the New York Municipal Insurance Reciprocal ("NYMIR") through the Spain Agency, 625 Route 6, Mahopac, New York for the "Small Bus and Paratransit Fleets; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that under the terms of the insurance package, NYMIR shall provide \$11,000,000.00 "First Dollar" Liability coverage and Physical Damage Coverage subject to a \$2,000.00 deductible for buses and vans and a \$1,000.00 deductible for Prius vehicles in fleet, for the current fleet of 116 vehicles; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the premium cost of this insurance package is \$471,018.50 for the Policy Period August 22, 2020 through August 22, 2021; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that this contract shall be subject to County appropriation; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that this Agreement is subject to further financial analysis of the impact of any New York State Budget (the "State Budget") proposed and adopted during the term of this Agreement. The County shall retain the right, upon the occurrence of any release by the Governor of a proposed State Budget and/or the adoption of a State Budget or any amendments thereto, and for a reasonable period of time after such release(s) or adoption(s), to conduct an analysis of the impacts of any such State Budget on County finances. After such analysis, the County shall retain the right to either terminate this Agreement or to renegotiate the amounts and rates approved herein. If the County subsequently offers to pay a reduced amount, then the Insurance companies shall have the right to terminate this Agreement upon reasonable prior written notice; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the County Executive or his authorized designee is hereby authorized to execute all instruments and take all actions reasonably necessary to implement this Resolution.

	Account to be Charged/credited	Fund	Agency	Capital Project or Org	Activity Code	Object/ SubObject	Trust Account	Dollars
2020	Small Bus and Paratransit	101	44	2100		4280/99	9	\$471,018.50

Budget Funding Year(s) 2020-2021

Start Date 8/22/2020

End Date 8/22/2021

Funding Source

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Tax Dollars	100% County
State Aid	20/1
Federal Aid	
Other	700

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