

Date: April 07, 2010

To: Board of Acquisition and Contract

From: Dr. Millard J. Hyland, M.D.
Pathologist/Medical Examiner

Re: Authority to amend an agreement with the State of New York, acting by and through the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services, to accept a grant in the amount of \$388,991 for the Department of Laboratories and Research to participate in the Aid to Crime Labs-Forensic Science Laboratory Program for the period 7/1/09-6/30/10, by extending the contract term through 9/30/10 in order to have additional time to expend the grant funds.

By resolution approved on September 3, 2009, your Honorable Board authorized the County of Westchester, acting by and through the Department of Laboratories & Research (the "Department"), to enter into an agreement with the State of New York, acting by and through the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services ("NYSDCJS"), to accept a grant in the amount of \$388,991 for the Department to participate in the Aid to Crime Labs-Forensic Science Laboratory Program for the period 7/1/09-6/30/10, pursuant to an approved budget (the "Agreement"). The Agreement was subsequently executed.

The Department has determined that it will require three (3) additional months to expend all of the grant funds. Accordingly, authority is respectfully requested to amend the Agreement with NYSDCJS for the limited purpose of extending the term thereof through September 30, 2010.

Except as specifically amended hereby, all remaining terms and conditions of the Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

The Agreement will serve a public purpose by promoting public safety to the residents of Westchester County by enhancing the quality of forensic services, thus expediting criminal case processing.

The goals and objectives of this program are to support salary, training, laboratory supplies, and various accreditation-related requirements for the Westchester County Crime Lab.

The goals and objectives are in the best interests of the County in terms of public safety because this funding will decrease criminal case processing time on evidence submissions to the

County's Division of Forensic Sciences, thus enabling law enforcement agencies to solve cases and apprehend criminals faster.

The goals and objectives will be tracked and monitored through quarterly progress reports provided to the granting authority.

If this resolution were not approved, the Crime Lab would not be able to process evidence as quickly, thus making it more difficult for law enforcement agencies to solve cases and apprehend criminals in a timely fashion.

An appropriate resolution is herewith attached for your Honorable Board's consideration.

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APPROVED BOARD OF ACQUISITION & CONTRACT - 4-29-2010 - JOMARY VIEIRA, SECRETARY

RESOLUTION

Upon a communication the Pathologist/Medical Examiner, be it hereby:

RESOLVED, that the County of Westchester, acting by and through the Department of Laboratories & Research (the "Department"), is authorized to amend an agreement with the State of New York, acting by and through the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services (the "Agreement"), to accept a grant in the amount of \$388,991 for the Department to participate in the Aid to Crime Labs-Forensic Science Laboratory Program for the period 7/1/09-6/30/10, pursuant to an approved budget, by extending the term of the Agreement through 9/30/10; and be it further

RESOLVED, that except as specifically amended hereby, all other terms and conditions 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 take such action and execute such documents as may be necessary and proper to effect the purposes hereof.

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) Current Start Date July 1, 2009 End Date Sept 30, 2010

(must match resolution)

Funding Source

Tax Dollars _____

State Aid _____

\$ _____

Federal Aid _____

(must match resolution)

Other _____