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Department of Probation

Rocco A. Pozzi
Commissioner

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DATE: December 13, 2011

TO: The Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: Rocco A. Pozzi
Commissioner of Probation

Marguerite Beirne
Chief Information Officer

RE: **AUTHORITY TO EXEMPT FROM PROCUREMENT AN AGREEMENT WITH ANYTRANSACTIONS, INC. ("ANYTRANSACTIONS") WHEREBY ANYTRANSACTIONS WILL PROVIDE ITS ANYTRAX SELF REPORTING (SR) PRODUCT TO PERFORM REGULAR CHECK-INS AND AUTOMATED INTERVIEWS FOR LOWER-RISK CLIENTS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PROBATION**

The Department of Probation (the "Department") wishes to enter into an agreement with AnyTransactions, Inc. ("AnyTransactions") whereby AnyTransactions will license to the County its Anytrax Self Reporting (SR) product which will allow for regular check-ins and automated interviews for lower-risk clients of the Department of Probation. Using any telephone as a "virtual kiosk", Anytrax SR streamlines supervision of low risk clients with periodic check-ins and interviews (daily/weekly/monthly/quarterly) utilizing customized protocols for interview questions, schedules, reminders and grace periods.

The Department has investigated various applications that would allow remote monitoring of low risk clients. The Anytrax product is the only self reporting service that incorporates biometric identity verification using speech verification (a.k.a. "voice print") to verify the identity of the caller. It is also the only self reporting service that offers curfew monitoring. The voice curfew monitoring service uses the same biometric verification and toll-free telephone number, so a client can be switched from one to the other (such as for a sanction for a violation) without any need for re-enrollment or instructions to call a new telephone number.

Administrative Office

Pursuant to Section 3(a)xxi, the Westchester County Procurement Policy and Procedures are not applicable to any procurement for which this Honorable Board determines, by resolution passed prior to commencing such procurement, that compliance with the policy would not be in the best interests of the County. Given the unique features contained in the Anytrax product, it is proposed that the best interests of the County would be served by exempting the procurement of this extension from the County Procurement Policy.

A resolution of even date is also before your Honorable Board requesting authority to enter into an agreement with AnyTransactions. The proposed agreement will commence January 1, 2012 and end on December 31, 2012, for an amount of \$40,000, payable monthly.

Attached for your approval is an appropriate resolution.

RAP/MAB/rpc

APPROVED BOARD OF ACQUISITION & CONTRACT - 01/10/2012 - SOMARY VIERA, SECRETARY

RESOLUTION

Upon a communication from the Commissioner of Probation and the Chief Information Officer, be it hereby

RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 3(a)xxi of the Westchester County Procurement Policy and Procedures, it is hereby determined that application of the procedural requirements contained therein, including the necessity of soliciting proposals, is neither cost effective nor expedient, and accordingly, not in the best interests of the County in connection with the procurement of an agreement with AnyTransactions, Inc. whereby AnyTransactions will provide its Anytrax Voice Self Reporting product to perform regular check-ins and automated interviews for lower-risk clients of the Department of Probation.