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October 18, 2012

TO: Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: George N. Longworth, Commissioner-Sheriff
Department of Public Safety

RE: Resolution authorizing the County of Westchester (the "County"), acting by and through its Department of Public Safety, to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Federal Bureau of Investigation (the "FBI") to participate in the Westchester County Safe Streets Crimes Task Force (WCSSTF). This agreement will commence upon full execution thereof and continue until terminated by either agency on 30 days written notice to the other.

By resolution approved on July 31, 2008, your Honorable Board authorized the County, acting by and through its Department of Public Safety, to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the FBI to participate in the Westchester County Safe Streets Crimes Task Force (WCSSTF). The agreement was subsequently executed. Since then, the City of Yonkers has been removed from the original agreement. As a result, the FBI has requested that the County enter into a new version of the agreement. Accordingly, authority of your Honorable Board is requested to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with FBI to participate in the Westchester County Safe Streets Crimes Task Force. The Memorandum of Understanding may only be released with the authorization of FBI Headquarters and therefore will not be a public document. The agreement will commence upon full execution thereof and continue until terminated by either agency on 30 days written notice to the other. This participation consists of the assignment of one (1) detective to the Task Force. The agreement provides for reimbursement of some overtime expenses for participating agencies.

The public purpose of the agreement is to delineate the responsibilities of SSTF participants, maximize inter-agency cooperation, and formalize relationships among the participating agencies for policy guidance, planning, training, and public relations.

The goals and objectives of this program will identify and target for prosecution, organized crime groups responsible for drug trafficking, money laundering, alien smuggling, crimes of violence (murder), robbery (aggravated assault), violent street gangs, as well as an intensified focus on the apprehension of dangerous fugitives. The SSTF will enhance the effectiveness of federal/state/local law enforcement resources through a well coordinated initiative seeking the most effective investigative/prosecutive avenues by which to convict and incarcerate dangerous offenders.

The goals and objectives of this program will support the public health safety and/or welfare by using other investigative methods (search warrants, interceptions of oral communications, etc.) and reporting procedures in connection the FBI, which will protect Westchester County residents from such criminals in a more effective and efficient manner.

This program will be tracked and monitored by the FBI and reports to the Public Safety Commissioner every six months evaluating progress and activity against goals and objectives. Control files on all cases are maintained within the FBI space. Public Safety can access all files when needed.

Federal money will finance 100% of the overtime cost incurred by the County for this program. The overtime cost will be at or below a maximum reimbursement allowed by the FBI in an amount of \$17,202.25.

The agreement is exempt from the Westchester County Procurement Policy pursuant to Section 3 (a) iii.

Wherefore, authority is respectfully sought for the County of Westchester to enter into this agreement.

GNL/PK/cs
Attachment

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RESOLUTION

Upon a communication from the Commissioner-Sheriff, Department of Public Safety, be it hereby

RESOLVED, that authority is hereby granted to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Westchester County, acting by and through its Department of Public Safety, acting by and through its Police Department to participate in the Westchester County Safe Streets Crimes Task Force (WCSSTF), and be it further

RESOLVED, that this participation consists of the assignment of one (1) detective to the Task Force, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive, or his authorized designee, be, and hereby is, authorized to enter into and execute this agreement for the County of Westchester.

Account to be Charged/credited Revenue	Fund	Dept	Major Program, Program & Phase or Unit	Revenue	Dollars
	101	38	2000	9818	TBD

Budget Funding Years _____
(must match resolution)

Start Date Upon Execution

End Date Open Ended

Funding Source
\$ _____
(must match resolution)

Tax Dollars _____
State Aid _____
Federal Aid TBD
Other _____

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