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DATE: November 27, 2012

TO: The Honorable Board of Acquisition and Contract

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

RE: Authority to enter into a grant agreement with the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services to enhance Westchester County's capabilities to prevent, respond to and recover from terrorist attacks and other all-hazard events through organization activities, conducting/participating in exercises, and the purchase of equipment, in an amount not to exceed six hundred eight thousand five hundred (\$608,500.00) dollars

Attached for your consideration is a Resolution which, if approved by your Honorable Board, would authorize the County of Westchester, acting by and through its Department of Public Safety ("Department"), to enter into a grant agreement with the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services of the State of New York ("DHSES") through the State Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Program ("SLETPP") which will provide grant funds (the "Agreement") to purchase upgraded communications equipment, conduct multi-agency training exercises, and provide funding for sustainment of current equipment and programs including the Westchester County Department of Public Safety's Aviation Unit and Explosive Detection Canine Unit. The term of the Agreement shall be September 1, 2012 through August 31, 2014. DHSES shall make payments directly to the County in the amount actually incurred, up to an amount not to exceed six hundred eight thousand five hundred (\$608,500.00) dollars, upon presentation to DHSES of an invoice, together with supporting documentation. There are no matching funds required pursuant to this grant, therefore the Agreement will be at no cost to the County.

The proposed purpose of this grant is to enhance and sustain Westchester County's capabilities to prevent, respond to and recover from terrorist attacks through organization activities, conducting/participating in exercises, the purchase of equipment, and maintenance sustainment of existing capabilities. The goals and objectives of this program are the enhancement of the public safety and security of the County's residents as part of the New York City Urban Area.

I certify that the Department, a) has copies of, or access to, all applicable laws, rules, regulations, grant applications, and grant agreements including any master grant agreement, as well as any guidance or instructions received from the agency making each grant (the "Grant Terms"), b) has reviewed the Grant Terms for each grant, c) is aware of and understands all of the Grant Terms for each grant, and d) can and will comply with all of the Grant Terms for each grant.

The Department is required under the grant agreement to provide proof of disbursement of the grant funds and will monitor the effectiveness of this agreement through a series of performance measures required by DHSES.

Accordingly, authority is respectfully sought for the County to enter into this Agreement.

GNL/kh
Attachment

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RESOLUTION

Upon a communication from the Commissioner of Public Safety, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that authority is hereby granted to the County of Westchester (“County”) acting by and through its Department of Public Safety (“Department”), to enter into a grant agreement with the State of New York, Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Services (“DHSES”) to purchase upgraded communications equipment, conduct multi-agency training exercises, and provide funding for sustainment maintenance of current equipment and programs including the Westchester County Department of Public Safety’s Aviation Unit and Explosive Detection Canine Unit in the grant amount of Six Hundred Eight Thousand Five Hundred (\$608,500.00) Dollars for the term September 1, 2012 through August 31, 2014; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive or his duly authorized designee is authorized and empowered to execute and deliver all instruments and take all actions necessary and appropriate to effectuate the purposes hereof.

<u>Account Revenue</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Dept</u>	<u>Major Program, Program & Phase or Unit</u>	<u>Revenue</u>	<u>Trust Account</u>	<u>Dollars</u>
2012-2013	263	38	473M	9854	T473	\$608,500

Budget Funding Year(s) 2012 - 2014 Start 9/1/12 End Date 8/31/14

Funding Source Tax Dollars: \$0
State Aid:
\$608,500 Federal Aid: \$608,500 Federal Funds through NYS-DHSES
(must match resolution)
Other:

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