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Date: April 1, 2014

To: The Board of Acquisition and Contract

From: Jay T. Pisco, P.E.
Commissioner of Public Works and Transportation

Re: Authority to extend an agreement with the United States of America, acting by and through the Department of Homeland Security Transportation Security Administration, from the original expiration date of February 28, 2014 to August 31, 2016.
(Agreement No. WCA11102)

By Resolution Number 20579, this Board authorized the County of Westchester (the "County") to enter into an Agreement with the United States of America, acting by and through the Department of Homeland Security Transportation Security Administration ("TSA"), to accept a grant in an amount not to exceed \$10,585,836.00 to fund a portion of a new in-line baggage screening system at the Westchester County Airport (the "Airport"). The original term of the Agreement commenced upon the execution date of August 25, 2011 with a termination date of February 28, 2014.

The Department proposes to construct a new integrated checked baggage inspection facility, including all necessary baggage screening equipment, to support the existing passenger terminal at the Airport. The new baggage inspection system will be located on the ground level of the new facility that will be located adjacent to the existing terminal building. The total cost of the baggage screening equipment is estimated to be about \$11,142,985.00. The TSA will fund 95% of the cost of the equipment by contributing an amount not to exceed \$10,585,836.00. The County will contribute a 5% local share of \$557,149.00 from the Airport Special Revenue Fund. The cost of constructing the facility will be funded separately.

Delays in the design of the project necessitate an extension of the Agreement until August 31, 2016. It is expected that the building will be constructed and the baggage screening system will be completed by then, with all of the invoicing complete.

The Agreement will serve a public purpose by funding a state-of-the-art baggage inspection system that will insure the safety of the traveling public.

The goals and objectives of this Agreement are to fund the purchase of a new baggage screening system. The goals and objectives are in the best interest of the County in terms of public safety because the new baggage screening system will be better able to detect prohibited items from being smuggled onboard aircraft, thus insuring the safety of the traveling public. The goals and objectives will be tracked and monitored by TSA personnel responsible for monitoring the system.

Accordingly, I most respectfully recommend your favorable consideration of the annexed Resolution to authorize the County to extend this Agreement.

RESOLUTION

Upon a communication from the Commissioner of Public Works and Transportation, be it hereby:

RESOLVED, that the County of Westchester, acting by and through the Department of Public Works and Transportation, is authorized to extend an agreement to accept a grant in an amount not to exceed \$10,585,836.00 with the United States of America, acting by and through the Department of Homeland Security Transportation Security Administration, which will fund a portion of a new in-line baggage screening system at the Westchester County Airport, until August 31, 2016; and be it further

RESOLVED, that all other terms and conditions of the Agreement shall remain the same; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive or his duly appointed designee be, and hereby is, authorized to execute such documents and take such actions as may be necessary and appropriate to effect the purposes hereof.

Agreement No. WCA11102

Account to be Charged/credited	Fund	Dept	Major Program, Program & Phase Or Unit	Object/ Sub Object	Trust Account	Dollars
	361	44	A095B			N/A

Budget Funding Year(s)
(must match resolution)

2014

Start Date **08/25/2011**

End Date **08/31/2016**

Funding Source

Tax Dollars _____

State Aid _____

Federal Aid _____

\$ N/A
(must match resolution)

Other _____