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DATE: November 1, 2016

TO: Board of Acquisition and Contract

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

RE: Authority to enter into an agreement with the State University of New York, acting by and through Purchase College, for the use Westchester County's Firing Range located at the County's Police Academy in Valhalla, New York for firearms training

Authorization is requested for the County of Westchester ("County"), acting by and through its Department of Public Safety (the "Department"), to enter into an agreement (the "Agreement") with the State University of New York, acting by and through Purchase College ("SUNY") in order to have police officers from SUNY utilize the County's Firing Range located at the County's Police Academy in Valhalla, New York ("Firing Range") for firearms training. The (the "Agreement") will be for a period of five (5) years commencing upon execution. Each party shall have the right to terminate the agreement on thirty (30) days' notice to the other.

In exchange for the use of the Firing Range, which will be staffed by a Department safety officer, SUNY will pay a flat fee of Three Thousand Ninety (\$3,090.00) Dollars per eight hour tour, for a maximum number of 36 officers in attendance. The Firing Range will be operated under the direction of the safety officer. SUNY will adhere to all instructions issued by the Department's safety officer. SUNY shall have the option of requesting the Department provide a firearms instructor to assist with the training process of its employees. If SUNY requests a firearms instructor, SUNY shall pay an additional fee equal to \$108.18 per hour or \$865.44 per eight hour tour. Any one attending the Firing Range shall be responsible to bring his/her own weapons and ammunition.

As SUNY allows the Department to use one of their theatres twice a year for police recruit graduations and for training events free of charge, the Commissioner of the Department, or his designee, may provide SUNY with a credit equal to one eight (8) hour tour at the Firing Range for each eight (8) hours of the County's use of SUNY's facilities.

The County has entered into of number of inter municipal agreements since 2008 with municipalities throughout Westchester as well as with Putnam County and the Town of Carmel to

use the Firing Range for firearms training. This benefits the County and its surrounding counties and municipalities by allowing a more efficient use of their respective resources. The program has proven successful and it is recommended that the County extend these same services to SUNY through the proposed Agreement.

The goals and objectives of this program are to allow SUNY to utilize this state of the art Firing Range for training. The proposed Agreement is in the public's best interest and will promote the safety and general welfare of the public by ensuring that the SUNY law enforcement officers are trained and recertified in a suitable environment. This benefits Westchester County by assisting in the training of, and fostering a relationship with SUNY, a neighboring municipality.

The Department will monitor these goals and objectives as Public Safety staff manage the facility and are present during all training sessions.

Based upon the foregoing, I most respectfully recommend approval of the attached Resolution.

GNL/NAA/cs
Attachment

APPROVED BOARD OF ACQUISITION & CONTRACT - 1/12/2015 LISA M. HALL, SECRETARY

RESOLUTION

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

RESOLVED, that the County of Westchester (the "County"), acting by and through its Department of Public Safety ("Department"), is hereby authorized to enter into an Agreement (the "Agreement") with the State University of New York, acting by and through Purchase College ("SUNY") in order to have public safety employees from SUNY utilize the County's Firing Range located at the County's Police Academy in Valhalla, New York ("Firing Range") for firearms training. The Agreement will be for a period of five (5) years commencing upon execution. Each party shall have the right to terminate the Agreement on thirty (30) days' notice to the other; and be it further

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

Account to be Charged/credited
N/A

Fund	Dept	Major Program, Program & Phase or Unit	Object/ Sub Object	Trust Account	Dollars

Budget Funding Year(s) _____ Start Date upon execution End Date 5 years
(must match resolution)

Funding Source Tax Dollars _____
State Aid _____
\$ _____ Federal Aid _____
(must match resolution) Other _____

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