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DATE: April 27, 2021

TO: Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: Hugh J. Greechan, Jr., P.E.
Commissioner of Public Works and Transportation

SUBJECT: Authority to enter into an Agreement with Westchester Joint Water Works (“WJWW”), pursuant to which WJWW will upgrade its Purchase Booster Pump Station to increase water pressure at the Westchester County Airport for a term commencing retroactive to September 1, 2020 and continuing through December 31, 2021 for an amount not-to-exceed \$861,000.00, payable on a cost reimbursement basis upon receipt of invoices (Agreement No. 21-917).

Authority is requested for the County of Westchester (the “County”), acting by and through its Department of Public Works & Transportation (the “Department”), to enter into an Agreement (the “Agreement”) with WJWW pursuant to which WJWW will perform upgrades to its Purchase Booster Pump Station (“BPS”) to increase water pressure to its upper high service area (“UHS”) which includes the Westchester County Airport (the “Airport”). In consideration for services to be rendered, the County will pay WJWW an amount not-to-exceed \$861,000.00, which represents fifty (50%) percent of the total estimated costs of upgrading the BPS. Payment will be made on a cost reimbursement basis based on actual billing. The remaining fifty (50%) percent will be paid by WJWW. The term of the Agreement will commence retroactive to September 1, 2020 and will continue through December 31, 2021.

By way of background, WJWW owns and operates the BPS which pumps water to the UHS. On July 31, 2020, WJWW found that the pumps at the BPS were not operating at their rated capacities, which created a critical water system vulnerability. This vulnerability resulted in the inability of BPS to meet potential fire protection needs in the section of the UHS east of I-684, which includes the Airport. As a result of the water system vulnerability, the Airport has been experiencing a low water pressure problem which has affected, among other things, the hangar fire sprinkler systems. Shortly after discovering the vulnerability, WJWW implemented a stop gap measure by installing an emergency pump at the BPS as well as other emergency protocols pending a permanent solution. In order to permanently correct this problem, WJWW has approved the construction of upgrades to the BPS (the “Project”) at a total estimated cost of \$1,722,000.00. Since the Airport is a primary customer of the BPS, the parties have agreed to split the costs of the Project 50/50, with the County contributing an amount not-to-exceed \$861,000.00 in funding toward the Project. The remaining fifty (50%) percent will be paid by WJWW.

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The proposed Agreement is exempt from both General Municipal Law §103 and the Westchester County Procurement Policy as a “Sole Source” procurement.

The proposed Agreement will serve a public purpose by improving the water pressure at the Airport to meet potential fire protection needs.

I respectfully recommend the adoption of the attached Resolution.

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Attachment

APPROVED BOARD OF ACQUISITION & CONTRACT - 05/20/2024 - J. ISA MRIJAJ, SECRETARY

RESOLUTION

Agreement No. 21-917

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

RESOLVED, that the County of Westchester (the "County") is hereby authorized to enter into an Agreement (the "Agreement") with Westchester Joint Water Works, 1625 Mamaroneck Avenue, Mamaroneck, New York 10543 ("WJWW"), pursuant to which WJWW will perform upgrades to its Purchase Booster Pump Station to increase water pressure to its upper high service area ("UHS") which includes the Westchester County Airport (the "Services"); and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Agreement will be for a term commencing retroactive to September 1, 2020 and will continue through December 31, 2021; and be it further

RESOLVED, that in consideration for Services to be rendered, the County will pay WJWW an amount not-to-exceed \$861,000.00, which represents fifty (50%) percent of the total estimated costs of upgrading the BPS, with payment to be made on a cost reimbursement basis based on actual billing; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the remaining fifty (50%) percent will be paid by WJWW; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Agreement is subject to County appropriations; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive or his duly authorized designee is hereby authorized to execute any documents and take any actions reasonably necessary and appropriate to effectuate the purposes of this Resolution.

Account to be Charged/Credited	Fund	Dept.	Major Program, Program & Phase Or Unit	Object/ Sub Object	Dollars
	161	44	4110	4310	\$861,000.00

Budget Funding Year(s): 2021 Start Date: September 1, 2020 End Date: December 31, 2021
(must match resolution)

Funding Source: Tax Dollars _____

State Aid _____

\$861,000.00 Federal Aid _____
(must match resolution)

Other 100% Airport Special Revenue Fund