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Department of Social Services

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DATE: September 8, 2025

TO: Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: Leonard G. Townes

THIOND SCULLY, SECRETARY Commissioner, Department of Social Services

Authority to exercise the County's third one-year option under its SUBJECT:

> agreement with All County Bus, LDC for transportation services for youth in foster care and youth in court directed custody (DSS6051-22, as amended), and thereby extend the term of the agreement to a new

expiration date of August 31, 2026.

By a resolution approved on August 11, 2022, your Honorable Board awarded County of Westchester ("County") Contract No. DSS6051-22, for transportation services for youth in foster care and youth in court-directed custody (the "Services"), to the low bidder, All County Bus, LC ("ACB"), in the amount of \$2,250,000.00 for the initial term of one (1) year, commencing on September 1, 2022 and continuing through August 31, 2023 (the "Initial Term"), with the County having four (4) additional one (1) year options thereafter (each an "Option Term"), with such options, if exercised, to be paid on the cost terms specified in the bid solicitation (the "Original Agreement"). The Original Agreement was subsequently executed.

By a resolution approved on August 17, 2023, your Honorable Board authorized the County to exercise its first one-year option under the Original Agreement and amend the agreement by, 1.) extending its term by one (1) year, to a new termination date of August 31, 2024; 2.) increasing its not-to-exceed amount by \$2,340,000.00, from an amount not-to-exceed \$2,250,000.00 to a new total not-to-exceed amount of \$4,590,000.00, to pay for the Services during the first Option Term, and payable as specified in the Agreement for the first Option Term; and 3.) reflecting the fact that the County would have three (3) remaining one (1) year options (the "First Amendment"). The First Amendment was subsequently executed.

By a resolution approved on October 17, 2024, your Honorable Board authorized the County to, 1.) amend the Original Agreement, as amended, by increasing, by

\$101,162.77, the not-to-exceed amount for the period of its first Option Term, from September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2024, for a new total not-to-exceed amount of \$4,691,162.77 for the period from September 1, 2022 through August 31, 2024, and 2.) exercise its second one-year option under the agreement, and amend the agreement by, a.) extending its term by one (1) year, to a new termination date of August 31, 2025; b.) increasing its not-to-exceed amount by \$2,433,600.00, from an amount not-to-exceed \$4,691,162.77 to a new total not-to-exceed amount of \$7,124,762.77 for the period from September 1, 2022 through August 31, 2025, to pay for the Services during the second Option Term, and payable as specified in the Agreement for the second Option Term; and c.) reflecting the fact that the County would have two (2) remaining one (1) year options (the "Second Amendment"). The Second Amendment was subsequently executed.

The County continues to require the Services. Accordingly, the County wishes to exercise its third option under the Original Agreement, as amended by the First Amendment and the Second Amendment (the "Agreement").

The Agreement provides for an annual price adjustment (the "Annual Price Adjustment"), which is to be fifty percent (50%) of the increase in the Consumer Price Index entitled "All Urban Consumers: Public Transportation in U.S. City Average", known by the identifier 'CUUR0000SETG', (the "CPI") for specified comparison time periods, but not to exceed an increase of four percent (4%).

Under the terms of the Agreement, the most recent Annual Price Adjustment was to be calculated on a January 2024 to January 2025 basis. Based upon these terms for the Annual Price Adjustment, there will be a 2.4415% Annual Price Adjustment that is put into effect for the third Option Term. Accordingly, the per-round-trip rates, and various add-on costs, in the Agreement will increase by the Annual Price Adjustment, and the not-to-exceed amount for the third Option Term (the "Third Option NTE Amount") will also increase by the Annual Price Adjustment, in accordance with the terms of the Agreement.

The Department of Social Services ("DSS") reviewed and analyzed the rates to be paid during the third Option Term, as described above, in order to ensure that they are reasonable.

As part of the analysis of the costs for the third Option Term, DSS considered the CPI. The CPI is 4.883% higher at the 2025 measuring point than it was at the 2024 measuring point, but it also stayed elevated over time. During the second Option Term, between September 1, 2024 and July 1, 2025 (which is the latest available data), the CPI has been up (as compared against September 1, 2024) for nine of those ten months, and by as much as 5.37%, while it has been down for only one month, and by only 0.194%

Therefore, given how much the CPI has generally been up during the term of the second Option Term, as compared against September 1, 2024, the costs for the third

Option Term increasing by only 2.4415% appears to DSS to be reasonable.

Accordingly, the County respectfully requests authority from your Honorable Board to exercise its third one-year option under the Agreement and amend the Agreement by, a.) extending its term by one (1) year, to a new termination date of August 31, 2026; b.) increasing its not-to-exceed amount by \$2,493,016.34, from an amount not-to-exceed \$7,124,762.77 to a new total not-to-exceed amount of \$9,617,779.11, to pay for the Services during the third Option Term, and payable as specified in the Agreement for the third Option Term; and c.) reflecting the fact that the County will have one (1) remaining one (1) year option (the "Third Amendment").

Except as specifically described above, all terms and conditions of the Agreement will remain in full force and effect.

The proposed Third Amendment will serve a public purpose by ensuring that the children to be served will continue to be provided with the transportation services that they need, for another year.

The goal and objective of the proposed Third Amendment is to ensure that the children to be served will continue to be provided with the transportation services that they need, for another year.

The goal and objective of the proposed Third Amendment is in the best interests of the County in terms of health and safety, as ensuring that the children to be served will continue to be provided with the transportation services that they need will ultimately ensure the health and safety of such children.

The goal and objective of the proposed Third Amendment will be tracked and monitored by the staff of DSS.

I respectfully recommend the adoption of the attached resolution.

LGT/MBG/bom/nn

RESOLUTION

Upon a communication from the Commissioner of the Department of Social Services, be it hereby:

RESOLVED, that the County of Westchester (the "County") is hereby authorized to exercise its third one-year option under its agreement with All County Bus. LLC ("ACB"), pursuant to which ACB was to provide transportation services for youth in foster care and youth in court-directed custody (the "Services"), for a total amount notto-exceed \$4,691,162.77 for the initial term of one (1) year and the first two (2) of the available one (1) year option terms, commencing on September 1, 2022 and continuing through August 31, 2025, with the County having two (2) additional one (1) year options thereafter (each an "Option Term"), with such options, if exercised, to be paid on the cost terms specified in the bid solicitation for the Services, (the Agreement") and amend the Agreement by, 1.) extending its term by one (1) year, to a new termination date of August 31, 2026; 2.) increasing its not-to-exceed amount by \$2,493,016.34, from an amount not-to-exceed \$7,124,762.77 to a new total not-to-exceed amount of \$9,617,779.11, in order to pay for the Services during the third Option Term, and with the costs being payable as specified in the Agreement for the third Option Term; and 3.) reflecting the fact that the County will have one (1) remaining one (1) year option; and be it further

RESOLVED, that except as specifically hereby authorized to be amended, all terms and conditions of the Agreement shall remain in full force and effect; 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.

Original Agreement: \$2,250,000.00 1st Amendment: \$2,340,000.00 2nd Amendment: \$2,534,762.77 This Amendment: \$2,493,016.34 TOTAL: \$9,617,779.11

1. Account to be Charged/Credited:

	Fund	Dept.	Major Program, Program & Phase Or Unit	Object/ Sub- Object	Trust Account	Dollars
2025	101	22	8900	5880	AD S	\$831,005.45
2025	101	22	8900	5880	10,	\$1,662,010.89

2. Budget Funding Year(s): 2025-2026

End Date: August 31, 2026 Start Date: September 1, 2025

(must match resolution)

3. Funding Source:

Federal	28.35%	CFDA#(s)	93.575	
State	33.45%	State ID#(s)	N/A	
Operating/ Tax Levy	38.20%			
Capital	NA			

4. Total NTE: \$2,493,016.34 ARPROVED BOARD OF (must match resolution)