



Department of Emergency Services

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- TO: Board of Acquisition and Contract
- FROM: Richard G. Wishnie Commissioner of Emergency Services
- DATE: December 19, 2024
- SUBJECT: Authorization to amend a grant agreement with the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services to accept \$1,324,829.00 in federal grant funds to assist the County of Westchester in its efforts to address equipment, training and planning needs to enhance the County's capability to prevent terrorist attacks and mitigate against man-made and natural hazards, protect the people of the County, the County's critical infrastructure and key resources, and prepare to respond to and recover from both man-made and natural disasters, for the period September 1, 2021 through August 31, 2024, in order to extend the period of performance by one year, until August 31, 2025.

By resolution # 87033 approved on September 16, 2021 ("September Resolution"), your Honorable Board authorized the County of Westchester (the "County"), acting by and through its Department of Emergency Services (the "Department"), to enter into a grant agreement (the "Grant Agreement") with the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services (the "State") to accept federal grant funds in an amount not-to-exceed \$1,324,829.00 under the State's FY2021 Urban Area Security Initiative grant program ("FY2021 UASI Grant Program"). The funds received by the County under the Grant Agreement will assist the County in its efforts to address equipment, training and planning needs to enhance the County's capability to prevent terrorist attacks, including combating domestic violence extremism through Active Shooter/Hostile Event ("ASHE") training, and mitigate against man-made and natural hazards, protect the people of the County, the County's critical infrastructure and key resources, and prepare to respond to and recover from both man-made and natural disasters. The term of the Grant Agreement was to commence on October 1, 2021 and terminate on September 30, 2024.

By resolution # 87956 approved on October 14, 2021, your Honorable Board authorized the County to amend the September Resolution in order to revise the period of performance under the

Grant Agreement to commence and terminate one month earlier, on September 1, 2021 and terminate on August 31, 2024. The Grant Agreement has been executed.

The Department has been recently informed by the State that the performance period for the provision of services under the FY2021 UASI Grant Program has been extended by one year, until August 31, 2025.

Accordingly, the Department now seeks authority from your Honorable Board to amend the Grant Agreement in order to extend the period of performance under the Grant Agreement by one year, until August 31, 2025.

This Grant Agreement will serve the public's best interest as it will enhance emergency preparedness and thereby preserve the health, safety and general welfare of County residents.

Except as specifically amended hereby, all other terms and conditions set forth in the September

RESOLUTION

Upon a communication from the Commissioner of Emergency Services, be it hereby

RESOLVED, that the County of Westchester (the "County"), acting by and through its Department of Emergency Services, is hereby authorized to amend a grant agreement with the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services (the "State"), to accept federal grant funds in an amount not-to-exceed \$1,324,829.00, for the period September 1, 2021 through August 31, 2024, in order to address equipment, training and planning needs to enhance the County's capability to prevent terrorist attacks, including combating domestic violence extremism through Active Shooter/Hostile Event training, and mitugate against manmade and natural hazards, protect the residents of the County, the County's critical infrastructure and key resources, and prepare to respond to and recover from both man-made and natural disasters, in compliance with the State's FY2021 Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) grant program, in order to extend the period of performance under the Grant Agreement by one year, until August 31, 2025; and be it further

RESOLVED, that except as specifically amended hereby, all other terms and conditions set forth in the Grant Agreement shall remain in full force and effect; 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.

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