



**Department of Emergency Services**

**Memorandum**

**On Base ID# 110346**

**TO:** The Honorable Board of Acquisition and Contract

**FROM:** Susan Spear  
Commissioner of Emergency Services

**DATE:** January 24, 2025

**SUBJECT:** Authorization to further amend a Grant Agreement with the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services which authorized the County to accept \$1,324,829.00 in federal grant funding under the FY20 Urban Area Security Initiative grant program for the period September 1, 2020 through August 31, 2024, by extending the term thereof through May 31, 2025.

By resolution approved on October 1, 2020, 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 with the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services ("DHSES" or "State") to accept federal grant funds in an amount not-to-exceed \$1,324,829.00, for the period September 1, 2020 through August 31, 2023, in order 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 residents of the County, the County's critical infrastructure and key resources, and prepare to response to and recover from both man-made and natural disasters, in compliance with the State's FY2020 Urban Area Security Initiative ("FY2020 UASI") grant program (the "Grant Agreement"). The Grant Agreement was subsequently executed.

Thereafter, by resolution approved on April 6, 2023, your Honorable Board authorized the County to amend the Grant Agreement with DHSES in order to extend the term thereof through August 31, 2024 (the "First Amendment"). The First Amendment was subsequently executed.

The Department was recently informed by DHSES that the FY2020 UASI Grant Program has been further extended to May 31, 2025 due to delays in receiving goods caused by unforeseen factors, including shipping issues and supply chain shortages. Accordingly, authority is hereby requested to further amend the Grant Agreement with DHSES for the limited purpose of extending the term thereof through May 31, 2025.

Except as otherwise specifically amended hereby, all remaining terms and conditions of the Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

The goals and objectives of the Grant Agreement are 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 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 FY2020 UASI Grant Program. Further goals and objectives of this Grant Agreement are to address vulnerabilities and develop capabilities to meet target capabilities in the federal Homeland Security Grant Program guidelines. This includes providing assistance to and support for surveillance, detection, interdiction, response, mitigation, operations and recovery from man-made and natural disasters.

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

The Department will continue to monitor the progression of the work plan associated with the Grant Agreement to ensure compliance and progress in meeting the goals and objectives of this program and will monitor the effectiveness of this Grant Agreement through a series of performance measures required by the State.

I certify that my Department, a) has copies of, or access to, all applicable laws, rules, regulations, grant applications, and grant agreements (including any master grant agreement), as well as any guidance or instructions received from the agency making the grant (the "Grant Terms), b) has reviewed the Grant Terms, c) is aware of and understands all of the Grant Terms, and d) can and will comply with all of the Grant Terms.

In view of the importance of this program, I recommend approval of the attached resolution.

SS/LL/sjc  
Attachment

APPROVED BOARD OF ACQUISITIONS CONTRACT 04/06/2025 - RAYMOND S. DUKAKIS (SECRETARY)

## 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 authorized to further amend a grant agreement with the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services (“DHSES” or “State”) to accept federal grant funds in an amount not-to-exceed \$1,324,829.00, for the period September 1, 2020 through August 31, 2024, in order 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 residents of the County, the County’s critical infrastructure and key resources, and prepare to response to and recover from both man-made and natural disasters, in compliance with the State’s FY2020 Urban Area Security Initiative (“FY2020 UASI”) grant program (the “Grant Agreement”), by extending the term thereof through May 31, 2025; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that except as otherwise specifically amended hereby, all remaining terms and conditions of the Agreement shall remain in full force and effect; and be it further

**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

Fund	Dept	Major Program, Program & Phase Or Unit	Object/ Sub- Object	Trust Account	Dollars
					N/A

Budget Funding Year(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Start Date \_\_\_\_\_ End Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
(must match resolution)

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

APPROVED BOARD OF ACQUISITION & CONTRACT, 02/06/2025 - RAYMOND SUK (SECRETARY)