



Department of Emergency Services

Memorandum

109608

TO: Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: Richard G. Wishnie
Commissioner of Emergency Services

DATE: July 22, 2024

SUBJECT: Authorization to amend a grant agreement with the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services to accept \$683,944.00 in federal grant funds under the FY2021 State Homeland Security grant program, for the maintenance of County emergency planning activities, 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 # 86989 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 order to assist the County in its efforts to prevent and address terrorist attacks and mitigate against man-made and natural hazards, protect County residents, the County’s critical infrastructure and key resources, and prepare to respond to and recover from both man-made and natural disasters, among other things, in compliance with the FY2021 State Homeland Security grant program (“FY2021 SHSP Grant Program”), for the period October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2024, for a total amount not to exceed \$683,944.00.

Thereafter, by resolution # 87949 approved on October 14, 2021, your Honorable Board authorized an amendment to the September Resolution in order to revise the period of performance under the Grant Agreement to commence on September 1, 2021 and terminate on August 31, 2024, since the State informed the Department that the period of performance for the FY2021 Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) from DHS/FEMA, was adjusted by DHS/FEMA to commence one month earlier. The Grant Agreement was subsequently executed.

The Department has been recently informed by the State that the performance period for the provision of services under the FY2021 Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) from DHS/FEMA 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.

The 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. The goals and objectives of this program are to address vulnerabilities and develop capabilities to meet target capabilities as outlined in the Federal Guidelines. This includes providing assistance to and support for surveillance, detection, interdiction, response, mitigation, operations and recovery from threats or acts of terrorism and man-made and natural hazards.

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

I recommend approval of the attached resolution.

RGW/cmc

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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 \$683,944.00, for the period September 1, 2021 through August 31, 2024, to assist the County in its efforts related to emergency planning activities in order to prevent and address 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, amongst other things, in order to extend the period of performance 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

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	Agency	Capital Project Or Org	Object/ Sub Object	Trust Account	Activity	Dollars
							N/A

Budget Funding Year(s) 2021-2025 Start Date 09/01/21 End Date 08/31/25
 (must match resolution)

Funding Source N/A Tax Dollars _____
 State Aid _____
 Federal Aid _____
 Other _____
 (must match resolution)

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