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Committee Assignment

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To The Honorable Monroe County Legislature 407 County Office Building Rochester, New York 14614

Subject:

Acceptance of a Grant from the Transportation Security Administration for the Continuation of a Partnership with the Monroe County Sheriff's Office and the National Explosive Detection Canine Team Program

Honorable Legislators:

This matter is being referred to Your Honorable Body at the request of Sheriff Todd K. Baxter.

I recommend that Your Honorable Body accept a grant from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) in the amount of \$150,500, for the continuation of a partnership with the Monroe County Sheriff's Office and the National Explosive Detection Canine Team Program (NEDCTP), for the period of January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020.

The TSA NEDCTP provides partial funding for the deployment of three (3) certified TSA Nitrate Canine Road Patrol Deputies to the Greater Rochester International Airport. The Sheriff's Office will also be responsible for promptly responding to threats at support facilities, rail stations, airports, passenger terminal, seaports and surface carriers. Funds will be used to help support the handlers' salaries, fringe, overtime, uniforms, canine expenses, kenneling, equipment, gas and training for the three K-9 Deputies and their assigned canine partners. This is the twelfth year of the program, contract and grant. This years' funding represents a decrease of \$1,000 from last-year.

The specific legislative actions required are:

1. Authorize the County Executive, or his designee, to accept a \$150,500 grant from and to execute a contract and any amendments thereto, with the Transportation Security Administration for the continuation of a partnership with the Monroe County Sheriff's Office and The National Explosive Detection Canine Team Program, for the period of January, 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020.

- 2. Amend the 2020 operating budget of the Office of the Sheriff by appropriating the sum of \$150,500 into general fund 9300, funds center 3803140000, Police Bureau Airport Security.
- 3. Authorize the County Executive to appropriate any subsequent years of the grant award in accordance with the grant terms, to reappropriate any unencumbered balances during the grant period according to the grantor requirements, and to make any necessary funding modifications within the grant guidelines to meet contractual commitments.
- 4. Should funding of this program be modified or terminated for any reason, the County Executive is hereby authorized to terminate or modify the program and, where applicable, to terminate or abolish some or all positions funded under such program. Any termination or abolishment of positions shall be in accordance with New York State Civil Service Law and, when applicable, the terms of any labor agreement affecting such positions.

This action is a Type II Action pursuant to 6 NYCRR § 617.5(c) and is not subject to review under the State Environmental Quality Review Act.

This grant will help offset costs for the TSA Canine Road Patrol Deputies and their assigned canine partners. No additional net County support is required in the current Monroe County budget.

I recommend that this matter be referred to the appropriate committee(s) for favorable action by Your Honorable Body.

Sincerely,

Adam J. Bello

Monroe County Executive

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