

RESOLUTION

NO: 2024-05-061

LIVINGSTON COUNTY

DATE: May 28, 2024

Resolution Authorizing Livingston County to Purchase an Unmanned Air System Detection Sensor Utilizing the FY 2022 Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) – Emergency Management

- WHEREAS,** the FY-2022 HSGP a funding mechanism operated by the United States Department of Homeland Security for building and sustaining national preparedness capabilities providing pass-through funds to states, regions and counties for preventing, deterring, planning, responding to and recovering from incidents of national significance to include terrorism related activities; and
- WHEREAS,** Livingston County Board of Commissioners (LCBOC) approved Resolution 2023-06-103 on June 26, 2023, to allow the use of Federal FY 22 Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) funds to fortify the ability of Livingston County first responders to protect the community, and
- WHEREAS,** the LCBOC agreed that the funding would be used for projects allocated from HSGP local funding and for National Priority (NP) projects as outlined by the HSGP grant guidance to include the National Priority designed to address protection of Unmanned Vehicle Technologies UAS Sensor System; and
- WHEREAS,** Livingston County’s FY-2022 HSGP projected allocation by the Region One Homeland Security Planning Board’s Executive Committee and fiduciary is up to \$70,000 dollars for NP projects and was also approved by LCBOC by Resolution 2023-06-103; and covers the grant performance period from September 1, 2022, through May 31, 2025; and
- WHEREAS,** the Livingston County Sheriff’s Office has a functional and highly trained Unmanned Air System (UAS) Team and utilize their UAS Team for large events to protect the public and gain information at large emergency or disaster incidents; and
- WHEREAS,** there is a need to further fortify the effectiveness of law enforcement for the safety and protection of the public during large events and incident in Livingston County due to the evolving UAS capabilities; and
- WHEREAS,** the Livingston County Sheriff’s Office UAS Team would greatly enhance the safety and protection of the public and first responders by utilizing a UAS Sensor during large public events and emergency incidents as outlined by NP of Soft Targets and Crowded Spaces; and
- WHEREAS,** a RFQ (Solicitation # RFQ-LC-24-06) was issued and publicly posted on 02/12/2024; and
- WHEREAS,** there were five respondent bids, all of which were closely reviewed considered per Livingston County Purchasing Policy and federal purchasing requirements; and
- WHEREAS,** One UAS Detection Sensor was chosen that met the required function, equipment needs, and cost margin; and
- WHEREAS,** Unmanned Vehicle Technologies UAS Sensor System was chosen: This vendor has a Michigan office located near Livingston County. It is an all-inclusive system for three years, to include updates. The system is self-contained, multi-use and portable (not vehicle dependent) This UAS Sensor System proposal is the most fiscally responsible of all received bids, at a cost of \$47,530 which includes the first three years of software updates; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Livingston County Board of Commissioners authorizes purchase of the Unmanned Vehicle Technologies UAS Sensor System for the Livingston County Sheriff's Office UAS Team utilizing FY-2022 HSGP funding related to the National Priority (NP) project for Soft Targets and Crowded Spaces in the amount of \$47,530 dollars in compliance with federal guidance for the protection of Livingston County residents and responders; further, as instructed by the Board of Commissioners, the County Emergency Management Coordinator / Emergency Manager assures this project is not associated with warrantless surveillance, intelligence sharing, population monitoring or data gathering.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Livingston County Local Planning Team representing all public safety disciplines has approved the use of NP HSGP FY 22 funds for this UAS Detection Sensor equipment, in line with previous years' expenditures, that will enhance the safety of the Livingston County community and not violate the Constitutional rights of citizens now or in the future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Livingston County Board authorizes allowable program expenditures as approved by the Livingston County Homeland Security Local Planning Team up to the guaranteed allocation of \$70,000 of FY-2022 NP Homeland Security Grant award. The current Emergency Management HSGP budget (ORG 23442652) has the funds available in the combination of Object Codes 943012 and 747000.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Livingston County Board authorizes allowable program expenditures as approved by the Livingston County Homeland Security Local Planning Team up to the guaranteed allocation of \$25,000 of FY-2023 Homeland Security Grant award for "Federal Priorities" not associated with warrantless surveillance, intelligence sharing, population monitoring or data gathering.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Livingston County Board of Commissioners hereby designates the Livingston County Emergency Manager/Emergency Management Coordinator as the primary purchasing agent for this project on behalf of the Livingston County Sheriff's Office, though this equipment will become an asset of the Sheriff's Office and subject to HSGP inventory requirements through Livingston County Emergency Management.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chairman of the Livingston County Board of Commissioners, the County Administrator, the County Finance Officer, the County Emergency Management Coordinator/Emergency Manager, and other Livingston County officials as may be necessary,

are authorized to sign documents as necessary in compliance with the Region One Board Fiduciary Agreement to purchase the UAS Detection Sensor from Unmanned Vehicle Technologies utilizing the FY-2022 Homeland Security Grant Program funds, covering the period from September 1, 2022 through May 31, 2025, upon review by Civil Counsel.

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