

RESOLUTION NO. RS-2025-09

(Intergovernmental Cooperative Purchase [INTG-25-0184] Emergency Communications Center Assessment, Department of Emergency Management)

RECITALS

The Code of Public Local Laws of Washington County, Maryland (the "Public Local Laws"), § 1-106.3, provides that the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland (the "Board"), "may procure goods and services through a contract entered into by another governmental entity in accordance with the terms of the contract, regardless of whether the county was a party to the original contract."

Subsection (c) of § 1-106.3 provides that "A determination to allow or participate in an intergovernmental cooperative purchasing arrangement under subsection (b) of this section shall be by resolution and shall either indicate that the participation will provide cost benefits to the county or result in administrative efficiencies and savings or provide other justifications for the arrangement."

The Department of Emergency Management seeks to purchase services to provide a comprehensive assessment from Mission Critical Partners of Port Matilda, Pennsylvania, for the proposed amount total of \$120,765, and to utilize another jurisdiction's contract (#HP08-21) that was awarded by Houston-Galveston Area Council (HGAC).

Eliminating the County's bid process will result in administrative and cost savings for the County. The County will benefit with direct cost savings because of the economies of scale the aforementioned contract has leveraged. Additionally, the County will realize administrative efficiencies and savings as a result of not preparing, soliciting, and evaluating bids.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board, pursuant to § 1-106.3 of the Public Local Laws, that the Department of Emergency Management is hereby authorized to purchase services to provide a comprehensive assessment from Mission Critical Partners of Port Matilda, Pennsylvania, for the proposed amount total of \$120,765, and to utilize another jurisdiction's contract (#HP08-21) that was awarded by Houston-Galveston Area Council (HGAC).

Adopted and effective this 8 day of April, 2025.

