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POTOMAC AND RAPPAHANNOCK TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

RESOLUTION

MOTION: _____ **RESOLUTION NO. 10-01-___**
OFFICIAL COMMISSION MEETING
SECOND: _____ **JANUARY 7, 2010**

RE: AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR ADDITIONAL CCTV SECURITY CAMERAS

WHEREAS, a 2007 plan for additional CCTV cameras at the PRTC Transit Center has been fully implemented; and

WHEREAS, a new assessment of camera coverage in the wake of the June 2009 shooting incident at the Transit Center has confirmed a need for still more cameras; and

WHEREAS, the 2007 plan did not envision camera coverage extending to property being leased from American Fire for overflow parking and bus storage, since two years ago it was not apparent that the leased property would require continued use after the new commuter park-ride lot is completed; and

WHEREAS, the competitive procurement of additional cameras for these two purposes may exceed the level of purchasing authority delegated to the Executive Director (a determination that management is in the process of estimating); and

WHEREAS, there is available funding from the commuter lot construction and Federal formula 5307 funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Potomac and Rappahannock Transportation Commission does hereby authorize the Executive Director to advertise for the procurement and installation of additional CCTV security cameras.

PRTC
Potomac and Rappahannock Transportation Commission

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January 7, 2010

TO: Chairman May and Commissioners

FROM: Alfred H. Harf
Executive Director

RE: Authorization to Advertise for Procurement of Additional CCTV Security Cameras

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Recommendation:

Authorize the Potomac and Rappahannock Transportation Commission's (PRTC) Executive Director to advertise for the procurement of additional CCTV security cameras.

Background:

The PRTC Transit Center was first outfitted with a CCTV surveillance system in 2003. In anticipation of the bus storage yard expansion, the Commission authorized the award of a contract for acquisition/installation of fifteen more cameras (and expanded digital recording capability) in July 2007. Those additional cameras and the expanded digital recording capability were installed by December 2007.

While the 2007 installation was all that management thought would be necessary surveillance-wise, conditions since then have changed for two reasons. First, in concert with Prince William County Police, PRTC management has reassessed the adequacy of existing camera coverage in the wake of the June 15, 2009 shooting incident, finding that there are still some "dark spots" that can and should be remedied by installing still more cameras within the area now under surveillance. Second, back in 2007, management did not envision a need for "surveillance camera" coverage extending to the unimproved acreage on the east side of Telegraph Road being leased from American Fire (figuring that there would be no need for this once the new commuter park-ride lot is built), whereas now it is apparent that this acreage will continue to be necessary for the foreseeable future (to store contingency fleet buses and overflow commuter parking).

Accordingly, there is a need for still more cameras, and thus management is seeking the Commission's authorization to proceed with another competitive procurement.

Fiscal Impact:

Funding is available from State Grant funds for the commuter lot construction and Federal formula 5307 grant funds.