## **RESOLUTION NO. 44**

AUTHORIZING ALBANY COUNTY TO NEGOTIATE WITH THE CITY OF ALBANY REGARDING SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION FOR SHARED DISPATCH SERVICES WITH THE NYS DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Introduced: 2/12/18

By Public Safety Committee:

WHEREAS, By Resolution Nos. 472 for 2008 and 219 for 2010, the Honorable Body authorized the submission of a grant application and acceptance of funds regarding a feasibility study regarding Public Service Answering Points (PSAP) consolidation in Albany County, and

WHEREAS, Consolidation of shared dispatch services has been identified as a priority by the State Commission on Local Government Efficiency and Competitiveness and has the advantages of increasing operational effectiveness, minimizing response time and reducing costs by freeing dispatch officers for enforcement duties and in updating technology, and

WHEREAS, The Sheriff has indicated that the cities of Cohoes and Watervliet, the Town of Coeymans and the Village of Green Island have consolidated their services with the Albany County Sheriff's Office, and that the City of Albany has expressed interest in consolidation efforts regarding their dispatch services, and

WHEREAS, The Sheriff has indicated that grant opportunities exist with the New York Department of State regarding such consolidation efforts, and has requested authorization to negotiate with the City of Albany regarding the formation of a grant narrative, work plan, cost and saving calculation and other supporting documentation necessary for such a grant submission, and

WHEREAS, The Sheriff is seeking approval to move forward with the process regarding the consolidation of dispatch services between the County of Albany and the City of Albany, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature that the County Executive is authorized to negotiate with the City of Albany regarding the submission of grant applications with the NYS Department of State for shared dispatch services, subject to the approval of the Albany County Legislature, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Executive is authorized to negotiate with the City of Albany regarding the consolidation of dispatch services between the County of Albany and the City of Albany, subject to an agreement approved by the Albany County Legislature, and be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Attorney is authorized to approve said agreement as to form and content, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the County Legislature is directed to forward certified copies of this resolution to the appropriate County Officials.

Adopted by unanimous vote. 2/12/18