## **RESOLUTION NO. 563**

RESCINDING RESOLUTION 475 FOR 2018 AND AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH SECURUS TECHNOLOGIES INC. REGARDING TELEPHONE SERVICES AT THE CORRECTIONAL FACILITY

Introduced: 12/3/18

By Public Safety Committee:

WHEREAS, On October 9, 2018, this Honorable Body unanimously adopted Resolution 475 for 2018 authorizing a license agreement with Securus Technologies, Inc. regarding telephone services for inmates at the Albany County Correctional Facility, and

WHEREAS, Given the unique nature of the license agreement, it was determined that the relevant phone service provider could be chosen without having to comply with the traditional RFP process that is applicable to the purchase of goods or services by Albany County under New York State Law and/or the Albany County procurement policy, and

WHEREAS, The Albany County Executive was forwarded a certified copy of Resolution 475 for 2018 in compliance with Article 3 of the Albany County Charter, and after the statutory period of ten days the resolution was enacted, and

WHEREAS, Thereafter, the County Executive's Office and the Albany County Attorney's Office requested that the Albany County Sheriff submit a RFP and consider the corresponding bids from several service providers in compliance with the county procurement process, and

WHEREAS, The Sheriff has subsequently has gone through the RFP process and has solicited bids from three (3) phone service providers, and has scored those bids accordingly, and

WHEREAS, The Albany County Sheriff hereby requests that the Albany County Legislature rescind Resolution 475 for 2018 and requests authorization to enter into a three-year agreement with Securus Technologies, Inc. regarding telephone services, internet services, and video conferencing services for inmates at the Albany County Correctional Facility, and

WHEREAS, Securus Technologies, Inc. was selected as lowest responsive bidder from the several proposals which were submitted through the RFP process and after analysis and scoring by the Sheriff's Department, and

WHEREAS, Securus Technologies, Inc. has agreed to pay the County \$1,200,000 at the beginning of the first year of the contract for both local and long

distance inmate calls, video-conferencing services, internet services, and provide all equipment including voice recognition software, and service, at no cost to the County, and

WHEREAS, Securus Technologies, Inc. has agreed to pay the County \$600,000 in both the second and third years of the contract for both local and long distance inmate calls, video-conferencing services, internet services, and

WHEREAS, Securus Technologies, Inc. has agreed to pay the County \$115,000 as a one-time technology grant, 20% commissions on video visitation, 10% commissions on paid entertainment services, and 20% commissions on E-messaging services through SecureView tablets, and

WHEREAS, Securus Technologies, Inc. has agreed to accept a predetermined rate based on inmate usage of the above referenced services as payment for the three-year term of the contract, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature that Resolution 475 for 2018 is hereby rescinded, and, be it further,

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature that the County Executive is authorized to enter into a three-year agreement with Securus Technologies, Inc. regarding telephone services for inmates at the Albany County Correctional Facility in accordance with the aforementioned terms for the term commencing November 1, 2018 and ending October 31, 2021, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Albany County Attorney is authorized to approve said agreement as to for 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 – 12/3/18