RESOLUTION NO. 222

AUTHORIZING A COOPERATIVE PURCHASING AGREEMENT WITH ALL MUNICIPALITIES WITHIN ALBANY COUNTY

Introduced: 7/10/06

By Public Works Committee, Messrs. Collins, Commisso, Aylward, Beston, Cunningham, Dawson, Feeney, Gordon, Houghtaling, Mayo, Reilly, Shafer, Steck, Ward, Mss. Connolly, Barlette, Benedict, Mr. Clouse, Ms. Comella, Messrs. Carman, Hoblock, Tunny and Ms. Prentiss:

WHEREAS, It is in the best interests of Albany County taxpayers for government entities to obtain quality goods and services at the most economical price, and

WHEREAS, All participating government entities would benefit from a program designed to purchase those items that are in common use under the umbrella of a cooperative single bid procedure, and

WHEREAS, The Albany County Purchasing Agent has indicated that significant savings can be achieved through a Cooperative Purchasing Agreement with all Municipalities within Albany County, wherein commodity and service needs are combined to offer prospective vendors higher volume opportunities which result in lower costs, and

WHEREAS, The Albany County DGS Purchasing Division will be the lead agency and it is understood and agreed that each participating entity will make its own separate purchasing agreement with select bidders, that each entity shall only be liable to the successful bidder for materials, supplies and services contracted by such entity without any further liability for purchases contracted any other participating entity and each bid winner shall be required to bill each participating entity directly for their purchases, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature that the County Executive is authorized to enter into a Cooperative Purchasing Agreement with all Municipalities within Albany County as described in the aforementioned terms, 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. 7/10/06