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DATE May 25, 2010

TO: Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: Edward Burroughs
Acting Commissioner

SUBJECT: Resolution Authorizing the Amendment to the Agreement Between the County of Westchester and the United States Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service in Order to Change the Expiration Date

The attached resolution authorizes the County of Westchester to amend the grant agreement with the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Natural Resources Conservation Service and Westchester County Soil and Water Conservation District. The grant is being used for a restoration/stormwater demonstration project between Parkway Homes Road and Virginia Road along the Bronx River Parkway, which is owned and maintained by the County of Westchester and located in the Town of Greenburgh. The project will address land use and water quality issues affecting the Long Island Sound and serve as a demonstration of stormwater best management practices. The amendment will change the expiration date from July 31, 2010 to July 31, 2011. All other terms and conditions will remain the same.

On August 27, 2009, your Honorable Board authorized a grant agreement with the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service for a restoration/stormwater demonstration project adjacent to Playland Parkway in the City of Rye, which is owned and maintained by the County of Westchester. This original project location was subsequently found to be unacceptable to the County Department of Parks Recreation & Conservation and the Department suggested an alternate location which is acceptable to all parties involved. As a result of this change, the project design team requires additional time to design and have the project completed. The County Department of Planning therefore needs to extend the expiration date of the grant agreement.

The agreement will serve the public purpose of protecting the environment by improving water quality, offering fish and wildlife habitats and water quality control within the Long Island Sound.

The goal and objective of this agreement is to improve the water quality and fish and wildlife habitats within the Long Island Sound basin, as well as serve as a stormwater management demonstration project. The project will be monitored by the Westchester County Department of Planning staff, who will make site visits to make sure all contractual requirements are met.

Should the agreement not be authorized, the County of Westchester would not be able to implement the project, thus forfeiting the environmental benefits for the County's aquatic resources.

I recommend approval of this amendment.

EB/cp
Attachment

RESOLUTION

UPON A COMMUNICATION FROM THE ACTING COMMISSIONER OF PLANNING, BE IT HEREBY

RESOLVED, that the County is authorized to amend the agreement between the County of Westchester and the United States Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service and Westchester County Soil and Water Conservation District to change the expiration date from July 31, 2010 to July 31, 2011; and it is further

RESOLVED, that all the other terms and conditions of the agreement will remain the same, and it is further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive or his duly authorized designee is authorized to execute any documents and take any actions necessary to effectuate purposes hereof.

Original Agreement \$133,000.00
 This amendment \$ - 0 -
 Total Revised Amount \$133,000.00
 AGREEMENT NUMBER C-PL-09-328

Account to be Charged/Credited

| | | Major Program, Program & Phase | Object/ | Trust | |
|------|------|--------------------------------|------------|---------|---------|
| Fund | Dept | Or Unit | Sub Object | Account | Dollars |
| 263 | 19 | 219J | 9852 | T219 | \$00.00 |

Budget Funding Year(s) FY 2009 Start Date August 1, 2009 End Date July 31, 2011
 (must match resolution)

Funding Source Tax Dollars _____
 State Aid _____
\$00.00
 (must match resolution) Federal Aid \$00.00
 Other _____