

**39027**

DATE: March 14, 2014

TO: Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: Edward Burroughs  
Commissioner of Planning

SUBJECT: Resolution authorizing an agreement between the County of Westchester and Croton Housing Network, Inc., to create one additional affordable senior rental apartment in the Symphony Knoll Senior Affordable Housing Development located at 15 Mount Airy Road in the Village of Croton-on-Hudson

The attached resolution authorizes the County of Westchester to enter into an agreement with Croton Housing Network, Inc. to create one additional affordable senior rental apartment in the Symphony Knoll Senior Affordable Housing Development located at 15 Mount Airy Road in the Village of Croton-on-Hudson. This development currently has 11 affordable senior rental apartments. The additional rental apartment will be created by converting the office space, as other office space has been found for Croton Housing Network. The new unit will be affordable to a senior household over the age of 55 that is at or below 60% of Westchester's Area Median Income. This unit will remain affordable for a minimum period of 50 years. The agreement will be in the not to exceed amount of \$30,000.00, payable pursuant to an approved budget, which will be used to make improvements to the building. The agreement shall have a term beginning April 14, 2014 and ending on April 13, 2015.

Pursuant to the Stipulation and Order of Settlement and Dismissal entered into in connection with a lawsuit titled U.S. ex rel. Anti-Discrimination Center vs. Westchester (the "Settlement Agreement"), the County is required to ensure the development of 750 units of affordable affirmatively further fair housing (AFFH) Units. The new rental unit in this development is expected to qualify as an affordable AFFH unit under Section 7(a) of the Settlement Agreement.

The goal and objective of this agreement is to provide affordable housing to seniors 55 and older who are faced with extremely high housing costs in Westchester County. This agreement also fulfills the County's obligations under the Settlement Agreement by providing an additional AFFH rental unit in accordance with the terms of the Settlement Agreement. The Westchester County Department of Planning Staff will monitor this project by reviewing all payment requests to make sure all contractual requirements are met.

I recommend approval of this agreement.

EB/cp  
Attachment

**RESOLUTION**

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

RESOLVED: that the County is authorized to enter into an agreement with Croton Housing Network, Inc., to create one new affordable senior rental apartment in the Symphony Knoll Senior Affordable Housing Development located at 15 Mount Airy Road in the Village of Croton-on-Hudson. This development currently has 11 affordable senior rental apartments. The additional rental apartment will be created by converting the office space in this development. The agreement will be in the not to exceed amount of \$30,000.00, payable pursuant to an approved budget, which will be used to make improvements to the building. The term of the agreement will be from April 14, 2014 to April 13, 2015; and it is further

RESOLVED: that the new unit will be affordable to a senior household over the age of 55 that are at or below 60% of Westchester's Area Median Income. This unit will remain affordable for a minimum period of 50 years; 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.

Account to be  
Charged/Credited

Fund	Dept	Major Program, Program & Phase Or Unit	Object/ Sub Object	Trust Account	Dollars
263	19	123M	4380	T123	\$30,000.00

Budget Funding Year(s) (must match resolution)      FY 2012      Start Date      April 14, 2014      End Date      April 13, 2015

Funding Source

Tax Dollars \_\_\_\_\_

State Aid \_\_\_\_\_

Federal Aid \_\_\_\_\_

Other     \$30,000.00    

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