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DATE: October 12, 2016

TO: Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: Edward Buroughs
Commissioner of Planning

SUBJECT: Resolution authorizing the County of Westchester to enter into a grant agreement with the State of New York acting through its Department of Environmental Conservation for the Fulton Brook Stabilization and Stormwater Management Practices Project

The attached resolution, if approved by your Honorable Board, would authorize the County of Westchester to enter into a grant agreement with the State of New York acting by and through its Department of Environmental Conservation ("NYS DEC") to fund and implement the Fulton Brook Stabilization and Stormwater Management Practices project. The project will restore Fulton Brook which is adjacent to the Westchester County Center in the Bronx River Parkway Reservation. The project will protect the County's infrastructure from severe erosion and improve fish and wildlife habitat and biological diversity. It will also improve water quality by providing a more effective natural filtration practice. The amount of the grant is \$475,000 and the term of this grant agreement is July 1, 2015, to December 31, 2018.

The goal and objective of this agreement is to restore the Fulton Brook in the Bronx River Parkway Reservation to protect the County's infrastructure, improve fish and wildlife habitat and to increase biological diversity. The project will also protect water quality, meet the requirements of state and federal stormwater management regulations and protect and restore the a County designated critical environmental area. Department of Planning staff will monitor this grant agreement and project by administering all contracts related to it and inspecting the site during construction.

I certify that my department, a) has copies of, or access to, all applicable laws, rules, regulations, grant applications and grant agreements (including any master grant agreement), as well as any guidance or instructions received from the agency making the grant (the "Grant Terms"), b) has reviewed the Grant Terms, c) is aware of and understands all of the Grant Terms, and d) can and will comply with all of the Grant Terms.

I recommend approval of this grant agreement.

EB/cp/rd/dk/JPI
Attachment

R E S O L U T I O N

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

RESOLVED: that the County of Westchester is hereby authorized to enter into a grant agreement with the State of New York acting by and through its Department of Environmental Conservation in order to implement the Fulton Brook restoration project near the Westchester County Center in the Bronx River Parkway Reservation, in the total grant amount of \$475,000.00, payable pursuant to an approved budget, for a period beginning July 1, 2015 and terminating December 31, 2018, and be it 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

		Major Program, Program & Phase	Object/Rev Source	Trust	
Fund	Dept	Or Unit	Sub Object	Account	Dollars
263	19	BPL40	9634	N/A	\$475,000

Budget Funding Year(s) FY 2016 Start Date: July 1, 2015 End Date: December 31, 2018
 (must match resolution)

Funding Source Tax Dollars _____
 State Aid \$475,000
\$475,000 Federal Aid _____
 (must match resolution) Other _____