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Date: May 1, 2017

TO: Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: Ann Marie Berg
Commissioner of Finance

RE: **Resolution authorizing the County of Westchester to enter into agreements with four firms which will provide audit and review services in an amount not to exceed \$800,000 for the second renewal two-year period commencing January 1, 2017 and terminating December 31, 2018.**

Authority is requested for the County of Westchester (the "County") to enter agreements with Mitchell & Titus LLP, O'Connor Davies, LLP, Wei Wei Co., LLP and Albrecht, Viggiano, Zwieck & Company, P.C., (collectively, the "firms"), pursuant to which the firms will provide audit and review services, for which the County will pay the firms an amount not to exceed Eight Hundred Thousand (\$800,000.00) Dollars for the second renewal two-year period at the rates contained in the attached Schedule "A," pursuant to an approved budget for a term commencing January 1, 2017 and continuing through December 31, 2018.

The goals and objectives of these agreements are to allow the County to have the professional services of qualified public accounting firms to provide multi-disciplinary audit and review services to various County departments. The audit and review services are to be conducted with the intent of confirming compliance with the appropriate county, state and federal policies, rules, regulations, laws and agreements, and determine the financial integrity, economy, efficiency and effectiveness of a variety of County operations.

The goals and objectives serve a public purpose because the County is involved in a full range of government operations and is engaged in various complex private ventures, including lease agreements, the operation of an airport, a public transportation system, water and sanitary sewer systems and an amusement park.

Accomplishment of the aforesaid goals and objectives will be jointly monitored by the Finance Department and the requesting departments for specific engagements through written reports to be issued by the auditing firms, including reviews of internal control structures and findings of

reportable conditions uncovered during the audit or review for anything which could adversely affect the County's ability to record, process, summarize, and report financial information.

Accordingly, approval of the attached resolution is most respectfully requested.

AMB/dck
Attch.

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RESOLUTION

Upon a communication from the Commissioner of Finance, be it hereby

RESOLVED, that the County of Westchester, acting by and through its Department of Finance, is authorized enter agreements with Mitchell & Titus LLP, O'Connor Davies, LLP, Wei Wei Co., LLP and Albrecht, Viggiano, Zwieck & Company, P.C., (collectively, the "firms"), pursuant to which the firms will provide audit and review services, for which the County will pay the firms an amount not to exceed Eight Hundred Thousand (\$800,000.00) Dollars for the second renewal two year period at the rates contained in the attached Schedule "A," pursuant to an approved budget for a term commencing January 1, 2017 and continuing through December 31, 2018; and be it further

RESOLVED that this Agreement is subject to County appropriations; and be it further

RESOLVED that this Agreement is also subject to further financial analysis of the impact of any New York State Budget (the "State Budget") proposed and adopted during the term of this Agreement. The County shall retain the right, upon the occurrence of any release by the Governor of a proposed State Budget and/or the adoption of a State Budget or any amendments thereto, and for a reasonable period of time after such release(s) or adoption(s), to conduct an analysis of the impacts of any such State Budget on County finances. After such analysis, the County shall retain the right to either terminate this Agreement or to renegotiate the amounts and rates approved herein.

RESOLVED, that the County Executive or his authorized designee is hereby authorized to execute any documents and take any actions reasonably necessary and appropriate to effectuate the purposes of this Resolution.

Account to be Charged/Credited

Fund	Dept	Major Program, Program & Phase Or Unit	Object/ Sub-Object	Trust Account	Dollars
YEAR 2017	101	various	various	various	\$400,000
YEAR 2018	101	various	various	various	\$400,000

Budget Funding Year(s) 2017 & 2018 Start Date 1/1/2017 End Date 12/31/2018
(must match resolution)

Funding Source Tax Dollars \$800,000
State Aid _____
\$ 800,000 Federal Aid _____
(must match resolution) Other _____

Schedule "A"

Mitchell & Titus

	<u>Hourly</u>	<u>Rate</u>
	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>
Partner	\$ 210	\$210
Manager	190	190
Supervisory staff	125	125
Staff	110	110

O'Connor Davies

	<u>Hourly</u>	<u>Rate</u>
	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>
Partner	\$ 308	\$314
Manager	223	227
Supervisory staff	133	135
Staff	111	113

Wei Wei & Co.
P.C.

	<u>Hourly</u>	<u>Rate</u>
	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>
Partner	\$ 220	\$220
Manager	120	120
Supervisor	100	100
Senior	85	85
Semi-senior	70	70
Staff/associate	60	60

Albrecht, Viggiano, Zureck & Company.

	<u>Hourly</u>	<u>Rate</u>
	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>
Partner	\$ 330	\$330
Principal	280	280
Manager	230	230
Supervisor	160	160
Senior staff	140	140
Staff	110	110

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