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County Executive

Department of Social Services

Kevin M. McGuire
Commissioner

57692

Date: June 20, 2017

To: Board of Acquisition and Contract

From: Kevin M. McGuire
Commissioner of Social Services

Re: Resolution authorizing the County of Westchester to further amend the agreements as extended and amended with The Preservation Company, Inc., Congregations Linked in Urban Strategy to Effect Renewal, Inc., Westchester Residential Opportunities, Inc. and Catholic Charities Community Services to provide financial eviction prevention services for Department of Social Services Customers, for the term November 1, 2014 through June 30, 2017 in the aggregate amount not to exceed \$709,000, to be paid pursuant to an approved budget and subject to appropriations by; 1) extending the end date of the agreements to December 31, 2017 and, 2) increasing the not to exceed amount by \$103,000 to a new total not to exceed amount of \$812,000 to be paid monthly pursuant to an approved budget and subject to appropriations.

Pursuant to a Request For Proposal (the "RFP") issued by the Westchester County Department of Social Services ("Department") on or around August 26, 2014, the Department selected four (4) vendors listed below to provide eviction prevention services for the period from November 1, 2014 through December 31, 2016 for an aggregate amount not to exceed \$606,000 to be paid pursuant to an approved budget and subject to appropriation. These Agreements were subsequently executed.

Provider	2014	2015	2016	Total
The Preservation Company, Inc.	\$30,625	\$32,125	\$30,625	\$93,375
Congregations Linked In Urban Strategy to Effect Renewal, Inc. ("CLUSTER")	\$63,125	\$64,625	\$63,125	\$190,875
Westchester Residential Opportunities, Inc.	\$53,125	\$54,625	\$53,125	\$160,875
Catholic Charities	\$53,125	\$54,625	\$53,125	\$160,875

TOTAL:	\$200,000	\$206,000	\$200,000	\$606,000
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Through a resolution approved by your Honorable Board on February 2, 2017, the Department amended the aforesaid Agreements by extending the term thereof for six (6) months to end on June 30, 2017 and by increasing the not to exceed amount by \$103,000 from an amount not to exceed \$606,000 to a new total not to exceed \$709,000 at the individual totals shown as below, to be paid pursuant to an approved budget and subject to appropriation. These Amendments were subsequently executed.

Provider	Original	First Amendment	New Total
The Preservation Company, Inc.	\$93,375	\$16,062.50	\$109,437.50
Congregations Linked In Urban Strategy to Effect Renewal, Inc. ("CLUSTER")	\$190,875	\$32,312.50	\$223,187.50
Westchester Residential Opportunities, Inc.	\$160,875	\$27,312.50	\$188,187.50
Catholic Charities	\$160,875	\$27,312.50	\$188,187.50
TOTAL:	\$606,000	\$103,000	\$709,000.00

Authority is now requested to further amend and extend the Agreements as extended and amended by extending the end date to December 31, 2017 and increasing the not to exceed by \$103,000 from an amount not to exceed \$709,000 to a new total not to exceed amount of \$812,000. The Department is in the process of modifying the Eviction Prevention Program to provide Eviction Prevention Services co-located within each District Office of the Department of Social Services. The Department is in the process of preparing a Request for Proposal (the "RFP") to select new vendors to manage the Eviction Prevention Program for the Department of Social Services. For the proposed six months extension term, the individual contracts will be increased as follows:

Provider	Original	First Amendment	Second Amendment	New Total
The Preservation Company, Inc.	\$93,375	\$16,062.50	\$16,062.50	\$125,500.00
Congregations Linked In Urban Strategy to Effect Renewal, Inc. ("CLUSTER")	\$190,875	\$32,312.50	\$32,312.50	\$255,500.00
Westchester Residential Opportunities, Inc.	\$160,875	\$27,312.50	\$27,312.50	\$215,500.00
Catholic Charities	\$160,875	\$27,312.50	\$27,312.50	\$215,500.00
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These proposed extension agreements will provide financial assistance in the form of rent and/or financial assistance for the prevention of eviction or utility shut-off for applicants referred by either the Department or other community resources that will prevent the incidence of homelessness to low income households residing in Westchester County. The Agreements will implement the Westchester County

Eviction Prevention Program by providing financial assistance to prevent the incidence of homelessness, including :

- 1) Short-term subsidies to defray rent for families that have received eviction notices.
- 2) Utility arrears for households that have received a service termination notice, where such service termination will cause the family to be evicted or temporarily displaced from their residence.
- 3) Financial assistance to secure permanent housing in the form of first month's rent, security deposits and/or moving expenses.

These proposed extension agreements will also require that efforts will be made to prevent homelessness such as financial assistance to families who have received an eviction notice or notice of termination of utility services, where such families have been determined to be eligible.

These proposed extension agreements will serve the public purpose of stabilizing families who are at risk of eviction. This in turn has the goal of preventing homelessness and thereby saving taxpayer funds.

A resolution is annexed hereto, which I recommend for your favorable consideration.

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Attachment

APPROVED BOARD OF ACQUISITION & CONTRACT - 27/13/2017 - ISA MRIJAL SECRETARY

RESOLUTION

Upon a communication from the Commissioner of the Department of Social Services, be it hereby

RESOLVED, that the County of Westchester is hereby authorized to further amend the agreements as extended and amended with The Preservation Company, Inc., Congregations Linked in Urban Strategy to Effect Renewal, Inc., Westchester Residential Opportunities, Inc. and Catholic Charities Community Services to provide financial eviction prevention services for Department of Social Services Customers, for the term November 1, 2014 through June 30, 2017 in the aggregate amount not to exceed \$709,000, to be paid pursuant to an approved budget and subject to appropriations by; 1) extending the end date of the agreements to December 31, 2017; and 2) increasing the not to exceed amount by \$103,000 to a new total not to exceed amount of \$812,000 to be paid monthly pursuant to an approved budget and at the individual totals as shown below;

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and be it further

RESOLVED, that except as amended hereby, the Agreements, as amended shall remain in full force and effect; and be it further

RESOLVED, that these extension Agreements are subject to County appropriations; and be it further

RESOLVED, that these extension Agreements are also subject to further financial analysis of the impact of any New York State Budget ("State Budget") proposed and adopted during the term of these extension Agreements. The County shall retain the right, upon the occurrence of any release by the Governor of a proposed State budget and/or 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 impact of any such budget(s) on County finances. After such analysis, the County shall retain the right to either

terminate these Agreements, or to renegotiate the amounts and rates approved herein. If the County subsequently offers to pay a reduced amount to the Contractor then the Contractor shall have the right to terminate the agreement upon reasonable prior written notice; and be it further

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

Original Agreements: \$606,000
 First Amendment: \$103,000
 Second Amendment: \$103,000
 TOTAL: \$812,000

Account to be Charged/credited	Fund	Dept	Major Program, Program & Phase Or Unit	Object/ Sub Object	Trust Account	Dollars
2017	101	19	0100	4380	N/A	\$103,000

Budget Funding Year(s) 2017
 (must match resolution)

Start Date: N/A End Date: 12/31/17

Funding Source

Tax Dollars: 100%

State Aid:

\$103,000

Federal Aid:

(must match resolution)

Other: