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DATE: May 22, 2018

TO: Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: Norma V. Drummond
Acting Commissioner of Planning

SUBJECT: Resolution authorizing the agreement between the County of Westchester and Field Geology Services, LLC to develop the Bronx River Corridor Study and Management Plan with clear goals, a stream feature inventory, a prioritized hazard mitigation plan, potential funding sources, a timeline for completion and four conceptual mitigation solutions.

The attached resolution authorizes the County of Westchester (the "County") to enter into an agreement with Field Geology Services, LLC (the "Consultant") to develop the Bronx River Corridor Study and Management Plan (the "CSMP"). The CSMP will consist of developing clear goals, a stream feature inventory, a prioritized hazard mitigation plan, potential funding sources, a timeline for completion and four conceptual mitigation solutions. The Consultant will also develop public relations materials that will explain and outline the basic principles and benefits of river management and hazard mitigation efforts in the Bronx River corridor. Funds for this agreement will be disbursed from the Westchester County Soil & Water Conservation District. The amount of the agreement shall not exceed \$76,859.50, payable pursuant to an approved budget. The term of the agreement is June 15, 2018 to June 14, 2019.

The goal and objective of this agreement is to develop the CSMP that will improve water quality of a degraded river by making recommendations for minimizing pollutants entering the river and reducing the risk of damages and other impacts from flooding along the river, thereby addressing adverse public health, safety and welfare conditions that currently exist in the Bronx River corridor. The Consultant will also provide the County with recommendations and supporting documentation to improve the water quality of a degraded river that largely traverses through County owned property and lessen the risk of damage and other impacts from flooding on County owned land adjoining the river. The Department of Planning staff will monitor all work done by the Consultant to make sure all contractual requirements are met.

In accordance with Section 6 of the County's Procurement Policy and Procedures, the services described above was posted on the County's website where interested entities responded by May 8, 2018. One response was received from Field Geology Services, LLC in the amount of \$76,859.50. The Planning staff believes this company is qualified to perform the work required. The staff also has confidence in the bid submitted as it is reasonable and consistent with current consultant fees for the required specialized study and report and conceptual plan development.

I recommend approval of this agreement.

NVD/CP/RD
Attachment

APPROVED BOARD OF ACQUISITION & CONTRACT - 06/14/2018 - LISA MRMAJ, SECRETARY

RESOLUTION

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

RESOLVED, that the County of Westchester is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with Field Geology Services, LLC (the "Consultant"), in an amount not-to-exceed \$76,859.50, to be paid pursuant to an approved budget from Westchester County Soil & Water Conservation District funds, for a term beginning June 15, 2018, and ending June 14, 2019. The Consultant will develop the Bronx River Corridor Study and Management Plan which will consist of developing clear goals, a stream feature inventory, a prioritized hazard mitigation plan, potential funding sources, a timeline for completion and four conceptual mitigation solutions. The Consultant will also develop public relations materials that will explain and outline the basic principles and benefits of river management and hazard mitigation efforts in the Bronx River corridor, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive or his duly authorized designee is authorized to execute any agreements, 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	801G	4380	T801	\$76,859.50

Budget Funding Year(s)
(must match resolution)

FY 2018

Start Date: June 15, 2018

End Date: June 14, 2019

Funding Source

Tax Dollars _____

State Aid \$76,859.50

\$76,859.50
(must match resolution)

Federal Aid _____

Other _____