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DATE: May 4, 2022

TO: Board of Acquisition & Contract

FROM: Mae Carpenter, Commissioner
Department of Senior Programs and Services

RE: Request for authority for the County of Westchester to enter into grant agreements with the New York State Office for the Aging to accept grant funds in the total aggregate amount not-to-exceed \$7,094,719, for the provision of various eligible services for seniors under the CSE, CSI, CRC, EISEP, NYSTP, WIN & NSIP, UNMET NEED and the NY CONNECTS programs for the program period commencing April 1, 2022 and continuing through March 31, 2023, except for the grant agreement for NSIP, which will commence retroactive to October 1, 2021 and continue through September 30, 2022.

The County of Westchester (the "County"), acting by and through its Department of Senior Programs and Services (the "Department"), seeks authority from your Honorable Board to enter into grant agreements (the "Grant Agreements") with the State of New York (the State") acting by and through its New York State Office for the Aging ("NYSOFA") to accept grant funds made available to the County from the State under the Community Services for the Elderly Program ("CSE"), the Congregate Services Initiative Program ("CSI"), the Caregiver Resource Center Program ("CRC"), the Expanded In-home Services for the Elderly Program ("EISEP"), the New York State Transportation Program ("NYSTP"), the Wellness in Nutrition Program ("WIN") & the Nutrition Services Incentive Program ("NSIP"), the Unmet Need Program ("UNMET NEED"), and the New York Connects Expansion and Enhancement Program ("NY CONNECTS") (collectively, the "Programs") for the provision of various eligible services under the Programs, in the total aggregate amount not-to-exceed \$7,094,719, and in the individual amounts set forth below. The Grant Agreements will be for a term commencing retroactive to April 1, 2022 and continuing through March 31, 2023, except for the NSIP Grant Agreement, which will commence retroactive to October 1, 2021 and continue through September 30, 2022.

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The Department will use a portion of the funds under the CSE, EISEP, WIN and UNMET NEED Programs to provide direct services and area agency administration, with the remaining funds, including the entire funds under the CSI, CRC NYSTP and NSIP Programs, to be used to enter into agreements for the provision of various eligible services under the Programs. Furthermore, a portion of the NY CONNECTS funds will be used by the Department to provide Information Contacts and the remaining funds will be allocated to Westchester County Department of Social Services and Westchester County Office for the Disabled to also provide Information Contacts under a Memorandum of Understanding.

The goals and objectives of the NYSOFA Grant Agreements are in the best interest of the County because they serve as a means of providing funding to expand services to seniors, especially those seniors who are at increased risk of isolation and malnutrition in an effort to delay or divert them from institutionalization, thereby reducing Medicaid costs to the County.

The goals and objectives of the programs under the NYSOFA Grant Agreements will be tracked and monitored by Department staff through monthly program reports and site visits on an on-going basis.

The NYSOFA Grant Agreements do not constitute procurement, and as such, they are not subject to the requirements of the Westchester County Procurement Policy.

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

Accordingly, I recommend adoption of the proposed resolution.

MC/SJ

RESOLUTION

UPON A COMMUNICATION FROM THE COMMISSIONER OF THE WESTCHESTER COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SENIOR PROGRAMS AND SERVICES, BE IT HEREBY:

RESOLVED, that the County of Westchester (the "County") acting by and through its Department of Senior Programs and Services (the "Department") is hereby authorized to enter into agreements ("Grant Agreements") with the State of New York (the State") acting by and through its New York State Office for the Aging ("NYSOFA") to accept grant funds made available to the County from the State under the Community Services for the Elderly Program ("CSE"), the Congregate Services Initiative Program ("CSI"), the Caregiver Resource Center Program ("CRC"), the Expanded In-home Services for the Elderly Program ("EISEP"), the New York State Transportation Program ("NYSTP"), the Wellness in Nutrition Program ("WIN") & the Nutrition Services Incentive Program ("NSIP"), the Unmet Need Program ("UNMET NEED"), and the New York Connects Expansion and Enhancement Program ("NY CONNECTS") (collectively, the "Programs") for the provision of various eligible services under the Programs, in the total aggregate amount not-to-exceed \$7,094,719, and in the individual amounts set forth below. The Grant Agreements will be for a term commencing retroactive to April 1, 2022 and continuing through March 31, 2023, except for the NSIP Grant Agreement, which will commence retroactive to October 1, 2021 and continue through September 30, 2022:

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and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive or his duly authorized designee be, and hereby is, authorized to take such actions and execute such documents as may be necessary and appropriate to effectuate the purposes hereof.

BUDGET BOX FOLLOWING

