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DATE: January 24, 2011

TO: Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: Edward Buroughs
Commissioner, Department of Planning

SUBJECT: Resolution authorizing the agreement between the County of Westchester and Community Capital Resources Housing Development Fund Corporation for a Lead Abatement Project at 1400 Main Street in the City of Peekskill

Authority is hereby requested for the County of Westchester (the "County") to enter into an agreement with Community Capital Resources Housing Development Fund Corporation ("CCRHDFC"), pursuant to which the County will provide a grant to CCRHDFC, through the County's Lead Safe Westchester ("LSW") program, for a lead abatement project at 1400 Main Street in the City of Peekskill. The term of the proposed agreement is from October 10, 2010 to June 30, 2011, and the total amount of the grant is \$41,600.00, to be paid pursuant to the approved budget. CCRHDFC is an eligible applicant under the LSW program.

CCRHDFC provides financial, technical and educational resources to affordable housing and community and economic development initiatives. They achieve these objectives through a variety of programs including affordable housing lending support for micro-businesses including grants, loans and technical assistance.

CCRHDFC has already initiated the rehabilitation project at 1400 Main Street in the City of Peekskill under the Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP). This property is one of the foreclosed properties purchased under NSP (as per the resolution approved on July 8, 2010). In addition to the rehabilitation work provided under the NSP resolution, this property was found to be in need of lead abatement services in order to comply with federal and state requirements. The services included, but were not limited to, HEPA Vac cleaning, post dust-wipe clearance testing and removal and replacement of the following: base molding, interior doors, exterior doors, porches and steps. In accordance with the requirements of the LSW program, at least 50% of the units will be occupied by income eligible households. In order to complete the project it was determined that this work was eligible under the LSW program, and approval would be sought to secure funding.

The proposed agreement will serve the public purpose of protecting the public health and promoting fiscal responsibility. The goal and objective of the proposed agreement is to remove the lead hazards from this property. The goal and objective of the proposed agreement is in the best interests of the County in terms of fiscal responsibility, as it involves the use of non-County-taxpayer resources. The goal and objective of the proposed agreement will be tracked and monitored by the Planning Department staff who will review all payment requests to ensure all contractual obligations are met.

On December 30, 2009, your Honorable Board approved a resolution authorizing the County to enter into a grant agreement with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (“HUD”), under HUD’s Lead Based Paint Hazard Reduction Demonstration Grant Program, for an amount not to exceed \$1,150,000.00, for the purpose of funding reductions of lead-based paint hazards in Westchester County. The County is now contracting with eligible applicants, as specified to federal guidelines, in order to utilize the grant funds.

I recommend approval of this agreement.

EB/cp
Attachment

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RESOLUTION

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

RESOLVED, that the County of Westchester (the "County") is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with the Community Capital Resources Housing Development Fund Corporation ("CCRHDFC"), pursuant to which the County will provide a grant to CCRHDFC, through the County's Lead Safe Westchester ("LSW") program, for a lead abatement project at 1400 Main Street in the City of Peekskill, for a term from October 10, 2010 through June 30, 2011, for an amount not-to-exceed \$41,600.00, to be paid pursuant to an approved budget; 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

Fund	Dept	Major Program, Program & Phase Or Unit	Object/ Sub Object	Trust Account	Dollars
263	19	638K	4380	T638	\$41,600.00

Budget Funding Year(s) (must match resolution) FY 2010 Start Date October 10, 2010 End Date June 30, 2011

Funding Source Tax Dollars _____
 State Aid \$41,600.00 _____
\$41,600.00 Federal Aid _____
 (must match resolution) Other _____

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