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DATE February 16, 2011

TO: Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: Edward Burroughs
Commissioner, Department of Planning

SUBJECT: Resolution authorizing the County of Westchester to enter into a Grant Agreement with the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, Office of Healthy Homes & Lead Hazard Control to reduce Lead-Based Paint Hazards in Westchester County

The attached resolution authorizes the County of Westchester to enter into a grant agreement with the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Office of Healthy Homes & Lead Hazard Control. The amount of the grant agreement is expected to be approximately \$1,749,639.00, which shall be paid pursuant to an approved budget for a three year term commencing upon execution of the grant agreement. The grant will provide financing for the reduction of lead based paint hazards in residential units in Westchester County under the Lead Safe Westchester Program (LSW). It is anticipated that approximately 140 fair and affordable housing units will receive lead-based paint hazards reduction services through the funding provided by this grant.

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development has made funding available to finance the reduction of lead-based paint hazards. The Westchester County Department of Planning applied to the Office of Healthy Homes & Lead Hazard Control for and was awarded a grant in the not to exceed amount of \$1,749,639.00.

This agreement will serve the public purpose of protecting the public health and fiscal responsibility. The acceptance of these grant funds will allow the County to reduce the lead paint hazards existing at various residential properties in Westchester County utilizing EPA licensed contractors pursuant to HUD's requirements. This agreement exhibits fiscal responsibility by securing non-County taxpayer resources.

These grant funds will be monitored by Department of Planning staff, who will review all grant applications, award only viable programs/projects in low/moderate households and make site visits of remediated properties.

I recommend approval of this grant agreement.

EB/cp
Attachment

RESOLUTION

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

RESOLVED: that the County of Westchester is hereby authorized to enter into a three year grant agreement, commencing upon execution, with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Office of Healthy Homes & Lead Hazard Control, for an amount of approximately \$1,749,639.00, to be paid pursuant to an approved budget, for the reduction of lead based paint hazards in residential units of low and moderate income residents in Westchester County; and be it further

RESOLVED: that the County Executive or his authorized designee be and hereby is authorized to execute any and all documents necessary and appropriate to effectuate purposes hereof, and be it further

Accounts to be Charged/Credited	Fund	Agency	Major Program, Program & Phase or Unit	Rev Source	Trust Account	Dollars
	263	19	471L	9852	T471	\$1,749,639.00

Budget Funding Year(s) (Must Match Resolution) FY 2011 Start Date Upon Execution End Date 3-Years After Execution

Funding Source

Tax Dollars _____

State Aid _____

Federal Aid \$1,749,639.00-U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Other _____

APPROVED BOARD OF ACQUISITION & CONTRACT - 3-3-2011 - JOMAR VIEIRA, SECRETARY