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Date: April 11, 2014

To: The Honorable Board of Acquisition and Contract

From: Hon. Michael B. Kaplowitz
Chair, Westchester County Board of Legislators

Re: **Resolution authorizing Westchester County to enter into an agreement with Mount Vernon United Tenants, Inc., pursuant to which Mount Vernon United Tenants will provide a homelessness-prevention and re-housing program for the period January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014 for an amount not to exceed \$40,000.**

Authority is hereby requested from your Honorable Board for Westchester County to enter into an agreement with Mount Vernon United Tenants, Inc., pursuant to which Mount Vernon United Tenants will provide a homelessness prevention and re-housing program for the period January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2014, in an amount not to exceed \$40,000, payable half upon contract execution and half upon receipt and acceptance by the County of the second quarterly report.

The goals and objectives of this agreement are to keep tenants in permanent homes, i.e. to prevent tenants from being evicted and becoming homeless. When it is not at all possible to stop an eviction, Mount Vernon United Tenants will work to successfully re-house tenants in an affordable unit. Mount Vernon United Tenants will serve approximately one hundred (100) families/individuals at risk of losing their apartment through eviction, and will be able to prevent at least half the tenants from being evicted and will likewise provide re-housing assistance to another ten (10) tenants.

Exemption of this Agreement from the requirements of the Westchester County Procurement Policy has been requested by separate resolution submitted to your Honorable Board on even date herewith.

Accordingly, I recommend and urge your Honorable Board's approval of the annexed Resolution.

Attachment

RESOLUTION

Upon a communication from the Chair of the Westchester County Board of Legislators, be it hereby

RESOLVED, that Westchester County is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with Mount Vernon United Tenants, Inc., pursuant to which Mount Vernon United Tenants will provide a homelessness prevention and re-housing program for the period January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2014.

RESOLVED, that in consideration for the services to be rendered, the County shall pay Mount Vernon United Tenants an amount not to exceed FORTY THOUSAND (\$40,000.00) DOLLARS, payable half upon contract execution and half upon receipt and acceptance by the County of the second quarterly report.

RESOLVED, that the Agreement is subject to County appropriations; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Agreement is also subject to further financial analysis of the impact of any New York State Budget (the "State Budget") proposed and adopted during the term of this Agreement. The County shall retain the right, upon the occurrence of any release by the Governor of a proposed State Budget and/or the 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 impacts of any such State Budget on County finances. After such analysis, the County shall retain the right to either terminate the Agreement or to renegotiate the amounts and rates approved herein. If the County subsequently offers to pay a reduced amount to the Service Provider, then the Service Provider shall have the right to terminate the Agreement upon reasonable prior written notice; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Westchester County Board of Legislators or his authorized designee, is hereby authorized to execute any documents and take any actions reasonably necessary and appropriate to effectuate the purposes of this Resolution.

Account to be Charged/Credited

Fund	Dept	Major Program, Program & Phase Or Unit	Object/ Sub-Object	Trust Account	Dollars
101	52		2508		\$40,000.00

Budget Funding Year(s) 2014 Start Date 1/1/2014 End Date 12/31/2014
 (must match resolution)

Funding Source Tax Dollars \$40,000.00

\$ 40,000.00 State Aid _____

(must match resolution)

Other _____

APPROVED BOARD OF ACQUISITION & CONTRACT 05/08/2014 - JOHANNY VIEIRA, SECRETARY