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Westchester County Executive

Benjamin Boykin II
Chairman,
Westchester County Board of
Legislators

ID #77424

Date: June 16, 2020

To: The Honorable Board of Acquisition and Contract

From: Hon. Kenneth Jenkins
Deputy County Executive

Hon. Benjamin Boykin
Chair, Westchester County Board of Legislators

Re: **Request for authority for The County of Westchester (the “County”) to enter into an agreement with Mount Vernon United Tenants, Inc., (“MVUT”) pursuant to which MVUT will provide a homelessness-prevention and re-housing program for the period of January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020 for an amount not to exceed \$51,264.**

Authority is hereby requested from your Honorable Board for the County to enter into an agreement with MVUT, pursuant to which MVUT will provide a homelessness prevention and re-housing program for the period of January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020, in an amount not to exceed \$51,264, payable half upon contract execution and half upon receipt and acceptance by the County of a final 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, MVUT will work to successfully re-house tenants in an affordable unit. MVUT will serve approximately one hundred 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 tenants.

Exemption of this Agreement from the requirements of the Westchester County Procurement Policy and Procedures has been granted 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 Deputy County Executive and the Chair of the Westchester County Board of Legislators, be it hereby

RESOLVED, that the County of Westchester ("County") is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with Mount Vernon United Tenants, Inc., ("MVUT") pursuant to which MVUT will provide a homelessness prevention and re-housing program for the period of January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020; and be it further

RESOLVED, that in consideration for the services to be rendered, the County shall pay MVUT an amount not to exceed \$51,264, payable half upon contract execution and half upon receipt and acceptance by the County of a final report; and be it further

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 Chair 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	Sub-Unit	Trust Account	Dollars
101	52		2508	10		\$25,632
101	52		2508	11		\$25,632

Budget Funding Year(s) 2020 Start Date: 1/01/20 End Date: 12/31/20
(must match resolution)

Funding Source Tax Dollars: \$ \$51,264
 State Aid \$ n/a
 Other \$ n/a

APPROVED BOARD OF ACQUISITION & CONTRACT - 06/25/2020 - LISA MARIJAJ, SECRETARY