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**TO:** Honorable Members of the Board of Acquisition and Contract

**FROM:** Robin Schlaff  
Director, Office for Women

**DATE:** December 4, 2020

**SUBJECT:** Authority to amend an agreement with Pace University, acting by and through the Women's Justice Center of Pace University School of Law, to provide civil legal services for low-income victims of domestic violence in New Rochelle by increasing the not-to-exceed amount by \$3,152.00.

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On April 2, 2020, your Honorable Board approved a resolution authorizing the County of Westchester, acting by and through its Office for Women, (the "County") to enter into an agreement with Pace University, acting by and through the Women's Justice Center of Pace University School of Law ("Pace"), pursuant to which it will provide civil legal services for low-income victims of domestic violence who reside in New Rochelle or fall within the catchment area served by the New Rochelle Family Court, for a term commencing on January 1, 2020 and continuing through December 31, 2020, for an amount not-to-exceed exceed \$64,931.00 (the "Agreement"). The Agreement was subsequently executed.

Authority is now respectfully requested from your Honorable Board for the County to amend the Agreement by increasing the not-to-exceed amount by \$3,152.00, from an amount not-to-exceed \$64,931.00 to an amount not-to-exceed \$68,083.00.

Except as specifically amended hereby, all other terms and conditions of the Agreement shall remain the same.

The proposed amendment will serve a public purpose by providing additional funding for Pace to make available to victims civil legal services that they need and might otherwise be unable to obtain.

The goal and objective of the proposed amendment is to provide additional funding for Pace to provide civil legal services for low-income victims of domestic violence in New Rochelle.

The goal and objective of the proposed amendment will be tracked and monitored by the Office for Women.

I respectfully recommend the adoption of the attached resolution.

# RESOLUTION

Upon a communication from the Director of the Office for Women, be it hereby

**RESOLVED**, that the County of Westchester, acting by and through its Office for Women, (the "County") is hereby authorized to amend an agreement with Pace University, acting by and through the Women's Justice Center of Pace University School of Law ("Pace"), pursuant to which Pace will provide civil legal services for low-income victims of domestic violence who reside in New Rochelle or fall within the catchment area served by the New Rochelle Family Court, for a term commencing on January 1, 2020 and continuing through December 31, 2020, for an amount not-to-exceed exceed \$64,931.00 (the "Agreement"), in order to increase the not-to-exceed amount by \$3,152.00, from an amount not-to-exceed \$64,931.00 to an amount not-to-exceed \$68,083.00; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that except as specifically amended hereby, all other terms and conditions of the Agreement shall remain the same; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the County Executive or his duly authorized designee be and hereby is authorized and empowered to execute any and all documents and take any actions necessary to effectuate the purposes hereof.

Account to be charged/credited:

FUND	DEPT	Major Program, Program & Phase, Or Unit	Object/ Sub-Object	Trust Account	Dollars	Funding Year(s)
101	11	0900	4380	N/A	\$3,152	2020

**Budget Funding Year(s)** 2020

(must match resolution)

**Start Date:** 1/1/2020

**End Date:** 12/31/2020

\$3,152

(must match resolution)

**Funding Source:**

Tax Dollars \$3,152

State Aid \_\_\_\_\_

Federal Aid \_\_\_\_\_

Other \_\_\_\_\_