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TO: The Honorable Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: Reginald A. LaFayette & Douglas A. Colety
Commissioners of the Board of Elections

DATE: April 19, 2021

RE: Resolution authorizing the County of Westchester to amend a grant agreement with the State of New York to accept funding to improve access to polling places, in order to extend the term of the agreement.

Pursuant to a Resolution approved by your Honorable Board on January 18, 2007, the County of Westchester entered into a grant agreement with the State of New York to accept New York State Voting Access for Individuals with Disabilities funding in the amount of \$265,055.00 payable on a reimbursement basis, for a term commencing on April 1, 2006 and terminating on March 31, 2008 (the "Agreement"), with the State's option to extend the contract for one additional year. On June 12, 2008, your Honorable Board authorized a one-year extension to the Agreement for the period from April 1, 2008 through March 31, 2009. On April 6, 2009 your Honorable Board authorized a second one-year extension to the Agreement for the period from April 1, 2009 through March 31, 2010. On February 18, 2010 your Honorable Board authorized a third one-year extension to the Agreement for the period from April 1, 2010 through March 31, 2011. On May 19, 2011 your Honorable Board authorized a fourth one-year extension to the Agreement for the April 1, 2012 through March 31, 2013 term. On April 17, 2014 your Honorable Board authorized a fifth one-year extension to the Agreement for the April 1, 2014 through March 31, 2015. On May 5, 2016 your Honorable Board authorized a sixth one-year extension to the Agreement for the April 1, 2016 through March 31, 2017. On August 3, 2017 your Honorable Board authorized a seventh one-year extension to the Agreement for the April 1, 2017 through March 31, 2018. On September 9, 2019 your Honorable Board authorized an eighth one-year extension to the Agreement for the April 1, 2019 through March 31, 2020. On October 15, 2020 your Honorable Board authorized a ninth year extension to the Agreement for the April 1, 2020 to March 31, 2021. All nine extensions were subsequently executed.

The State and the County now wish to further extend the term of the Agreement for the period from April 1, 2021 through March 31, 2022 so that unexpended grant funds may be utilized. All other terms and conditions of the Agreement will remain unchanged.

The public purpose of this amendment is to facilitate the purchase of necessary equipment and to make physical improvements to ensure that voters with disabilities have access to all poll sites across Westchester County. Utilizing grant funding will alleviate the need for the use of County tax dollars for this purpose.

In order to take advantage of these grant funds your approval of the annexed proposed resolution is requested.

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APPROVED BOARD OF ACQUISITION & CONTRACT - 05/06/2021 - JOHN COUGHLIN, SECRETARY

RESOLUTION

Upon a communication of the Commissioners of the Board of Elections, be it hereby

RESOLVED, that the County of Westchester is authorized to amend a grant agreement with the State of New York to accept New York State Voting Access for Individuals with Disabilities funding in the amount of \$265,055.00 with a balance of \$153,275.01 payable on a reimbursement basis, in order to extend the term of the agreement for an additional one year term, from April 1, 2021 through March 31, 2022 so that unexpended grant funds may be utilized; and be it further

RESOLVED, all other terms and conditions of the agreement shall remain unchanged; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive or his duly authorized designee be and hereby is authorized and empowered to execute all appropriate contracts or documents necessary to effectuate the purposes of this resolution in the manner prescribed by law.

Account to be Charged/credited	Fund	Dept	Major Program, Program & Phase Or Unit	Object/ Sub Object	Trust Account	Dollars
Not Applicable						

Budget Funding Year(s) _____ Start Date 04/01/2021 End Date 03/31/2022

(must match resolution)

Funding Source Tax Dollars _____

State Aid _____

\$ _____ Federal Aid _____

(must match resolution)

Other _____