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DATE: July 6, 2022

TO: Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: Norma V. Drummond
Commissioner of Planning

SUBJECT: Resolution Authorizing an Agreement between the County of Westchester and the Town of Ossining for the installation of outdoor Broadband hardware and software equipment in Ossining Parks.

The attached resolution, if approved by your Honorable Board, would authorize the County of Westchester (the "County") to enter into an agreement with the Town of Ossining (the "Town"), pursuant to which the Town will install hardware and software for broadband access in the Henry Gourdine and Louis Engel Parks in the Town. In consideration for providing such services, the County will pay the Town an amount not-to-exceed \$57,644.00 in Community Development Block Grant – Coronavirus program funding, pursuant to an approved budget. The term of the agreement will commence on August 1, 2022 and continue through July 31, 2023.

The Town plans to install outdoor broadband hardware and software equipment in two of the Town parks in order to provide free internet access to users that will allow for social distancing and reduce the spread of COVID-19 virus.

The goal and objective of this project is to provide broadband access to the residents of these low/moderate neighborhoods in light of the COVID-19's impact. The project will be monitored by the Town's public works staff and Westchester County Department of Planning staff who will make site visits to ensure all contractual requirements during construction are met.

This procurement is in compliance with the Westchester County Procurement Policy and Procedures, pursuant to Section 3(a)xvi thereof, which exempts contracts with recipients for disbursement of grants or loans under the Community Development Block Grant Program.

Act # 20-2020, adopted March 9, 2020, by the Westchester County Board of Legislators, authorized the County to submit an Urban County Application under the Federal Community Development Block Grant, Emergency Solutions Grant, and HOME Investment Partnership Program, including a FY 2019-2023 Consolidated Plan and to accept such Grants.

On July 30, 2020, the Board of Acquisition and Contract approved a resolution authorizing the amendment to the agreement between the County of Westchester and the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to accept additional funds to address the impacts of COVID-19.

I recommend approval of this agreement.

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Attachment

APPROVED BOARD OF ACQUISITION & CONTRACT - 08/04/2022 - RAYMOND SCULKY, SECRETARY

RESOLUTION

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

RESOLVED: that the County of Westchester (the "County") is authorized to enter into an agreement with the Town of Ossining (the "Town"), pursuant to which the Town will install outdoor Broadband hardware and software equipment in the Henry Gourdine and Louis Engel parks in order to provide free internet access to users that will allow for social distancing and reduce the spread of COVID-19 virus in the Town, for a term commencing on August 1, 2022 and continuing through July 31, 2023; and be it further of Ossining; and be it further

RESOLVED: that in consideration for performing said services, the County shall pay the Town an amount not-to-exceed \$57,644.00 in Community Development Block Grant - Coronavirus program funding, payable pursuant to an approved budget; and be it further

RESOLVED: that the County Executive or his duly authorized designee is authorized to execute any documents and take any actions necessary to effectuate purposes hereof.

Account to be Charged/Credited

Fund	Dept	Major Program, Program & Phase Or Unit	Object/ Sub Object	Trust Account	Dollars
263	19	067V	4998	T067	\$57,644.00

Budget Funding Year(s) FY 2020 Start Date August 1, 2022 End Date July 31, 2023
 (must match resolution)

Funding Source Tax Dollars _____

State Aid _____

\$57,644.00 Federal Aid \$57,644.00 – U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
 (must match resolution)

Other _____