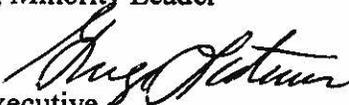


April 3, 2024

TO: Hon. Vedat Gashi, Chair
Hon. Jose Alvarado, Vice Chair
Hon. Tyrae Woodson-Samuels, Majority Leader
Hon. Margaret Cunzio, Minority Leader

FROM: George Latimer 
Westchester County Executive

RE: **Message Requesting Immediate Consideration: IMAs w/Municipalities
– Services to Seniors to be Funded by County Tax Dollars.**

This will confirm my request that the Board of Legislators allow submission of the referenced communication to be submitted to the Board of Legislators April 8, 2024 Agenda.

Transmitted herewith for your review and approval is an act (the “Act”) which, if adopted, would authorize the County of Westchester (the “County”), acting by and through its Department of Senior Programs and Services (the “Department”), to enter into inter-municipal agreements (“IMAs”) with the City of Yonkers and the City of New Rochelle.

Therefore, since this communication is of the utmost importance, it is respectfully submitted that the County Board of Legislators accepts this submission for April 8, 2024 “blue sheet” calendar.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.



George Latimer
County Executive

April 3, 2024

Westchester County Board of Legislators
800 Michaelian Office Building
148 Martine Avenue
White Plains, New York 10601

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The programs and services to be provided under the IMAs include the Livable Communities Regional Host services program which provides outreach to residents to participate in and access various programs and services provided by the Department. Services will also include public information/education programs provided through meetings, educational forums and events at which residents are informed about the Department's myriad programs and services designed to enhance their quality of life.

Your Honorable Board has previously approved similar legislation pursuant to Act No. 44 - 2023. However, the existing authorization expired on December 31, 2023 and a new authorization will be needed to enter into new agreements.

It should be noted that the IMAs are exempt from the Westchester County Procurement Policy pursuant to section 3(a)iii thereof which exempts contracts with ". . . any State and any political subdivision, agency or instrumentality thereof." They are also exempt pursuant to section 3(a)ix of the Policy which exempts "any procurement for the purpose of entering into a contract with persons to provide direct services to senior citizens."

The proposed IMAs are intended to benefit the County by assisting in the provision of tax-funded services to its residents. Accordingly, I believe the proposed IMAs are in the best interest of the County and, therefore, recommend your favorable action on the annexed proposed Act.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "George Latimer". The signature is fluid and cursive, written over a light blue background that matches the county logo's style.

George Latimer
Westchester County Executive

GL/MC/SJ/jpg/nn

**HONORABLE BOARD OF LEGISLATORS
THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER**

Your Committee is in receipt of a communication from the County Executive recommending the approval of an act (the “Act”) which, if adopted, would authorize the County of Westchester (the “County”), acting by and through its Department of Senior Programs and Services (the “Department”), to enter into inter-municipal agreements (“IMAs”) with the City of Yonkers and the City of New Rochelle, acting by and through their respective Offices for the Aging (the “Municipalities”), pursuant to which the Municipalities will provide outreach and other services to seniors to be funded with County tax dollars. The term of the proposed IMAs will commence retroactive to January 1, 2024 and continue through December 31, 2024. In no event will the total aggregate not-to-exceed amount payable for both IMAs exceed the sum of \$30,000, payable pursuant to approved budgets.

Your Committee is advised that the programs and services to be provided under the IMAs include the Livable Communities Regional Hosts services program which provides outreach to residents to participate in and access various programs and services provided by the Department. Services will also include public information/education programs provided through meetings, educational forums and events at which residents are informed about the Department’s myriad programs and services designed to enhance their quality of life.

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The Planning Department has advised that based on its review, the proposed IMAs do not meet the definition of an “action” under the State Environmental Quality Review Act, 6 NYCRR part 617. As such, no environmental review is required. Please refer to the memorandum from

the Department of Planning dated January 8, 2024, which is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Legislators.

Your Committee has been advised that the passage of the attached Act requires an affirmative vote of a majority of the members of your Honorable Board.

Your Committee has been advised that adoption of the proposed Act is necessary to effectively carry out this worthwhile program. Accordingly, after due consideration, your Committee recommends adoption of the annexed Act.

Dated: _____, 2024
White Plains, New York

COMMITTEE ON

C/jpg/2-21-24

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

SUBJECT: County Funds

NO FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED

OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT

(To be completed by operating department and reviewed by Budget Department)

A) GENERAL FUND AIRPORT SPECIAL REVENUE FUND (Districts)

B) EXPENSES AND REVENUES

Total Current Year Cost \$ 30000

Total Current Year Revenue \$ 30000

Source of Funds (check one): Current Appropriations

Transfer of Existing Appropriations

Additional Appropriations

Other (explain)

Identify Accounts: 101-24-4957

Potential Related Operating Budget Expenses:

Annual Amount \$ 30,000

Describe: Funds received from the County for various programs and services for Westchester County senior citizens.

Potential Related Revenues: Annual Amount \$ 0

Describe: _____

Anticipated Savings to County and/or Impact on Department Operations:

Current Year: Without these funds, the Department would not be able to provide senior services including Livable Communities Outreach and public information/education

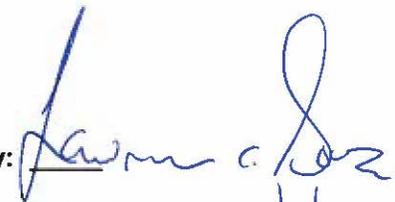
Next Four years:

Estimated to be same as above each year.

Prepared by: Sandra Brown

Title: Director of Program Development II

Department: Senior Programs & Svcs.

Reviewed By: 
Budget Director 4/2/24

If you need more space, please attach additional sheets.

ACT NO. 2024 - _____

AN ACT authorizing the County of Westchester to enter into inter-municipal agreements with the City of Yonkers and the City of New Rochelle for the provision of outreach and other services to seniors to be funded with County tax dollars

BE IT ENACTED by the Board of Legislators of the County of Westchester as follows:

Section 1. The County of Westchester be and hereby is authorized to enter into inter-municipal agreements (“IMAs”) with the City of Yonkers and the City of New Rochelle, acting by and through their respective Offices for the Aging (the “Municipalities”), pursuant to which the Municipalities will provide outreach and other services to seniors to be funded with County tax dollars, for a term commencing retroactive to January 1, 2024 and continuing through December 31, 2024, in a total aggregate amount not-to-exceed \$30,000 for both IMAs, payable pursuant to approved budgets.

§2. The programs and services to be provided under the IMAs will include the Livable Communities Regional Host services program which provides outreach to residents to participate in and access programs and services provided by the Department. Services will also include public information/education programs provided through meetings, educational forums and events at which residents are educated and informed about the Department’s myriad programs and services that are designed to enhance their quality of life.

§3. The contract amounts allocated for each IMA shall be determined at the discretion of the Commissioner of the Department of Senior Services and Programs.

§4. The County Executive or his authorized designee is hereby empowered to execute all instruments and take all actions reasonable and necessary to effectuate the purposes hereof.

§5. This Act shall take effect immediately.

THIS INTER-MUNICIPAL AGREEMENT ("Agreement" or "IMA" made this _____ day of _____, 2024 by and between:

THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER, a municipal corporation of the State of New York, having an office and place of business in the Michaelian Office Building, 148 Martine Avenue, White Plains, New York, 10601 (hereinafter referred to as the "County")

and

_____ a municipal corporation organized under the laws of the State of New York, having an office and principal place of at _____ (hereinafter referred to as the "Municipality" and together with the County hereinafter referred to as the "Parties")

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the County desires to provide Livable Community Regional Host Services to elderly residents of the County (hereinafter the "Services"); and

WHEREAS, the Municipality desires to perform said Services upon the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth.

WHEREAS, the Municipality is an agency duly licensed to provide such Services and the County desires to retain the Municipality to provide such Services.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the terms, conditions, covenants, and agreements contained herein, the Parties agree as follows:

1. The Municipality shall provide the Services as described in Schedule "C", which is attached hereto and form a part of this Agreement. The Municipality shall also comply with the terms and conditions set forth in Schedules "A", "B" and "D" are attached hereto and form a part of this Agreement. It is expressly understood and agreed by the Parties hereto that all schedules to this Agreement are subject to the approval of the County.

2. For the Services rendered pursuant to Paragraph 1, the Municipality shall be paid an amount not to exceed _____ DOLLARS (\$_____), subject to appropriations and payable pursuant to an approved budget amount indicated in Schedule "B" that is attached hereto, and made a part hereof, after the County has received any and all supporting documentation the County may require and the same has been approved by the Commissioner of the Department of Senior Programs and Services or her duly authorized designee (the "Commissioner"). Payment shall be made only for expenses actually incurred and paid by the Municipality, which shall be subject to downward adjustment by the County based upon actual Services rendered by the Municipality during the term of the Agreement. The foregoing obligation of the County is conditioned upon compliance by the Municipality with all the terms and conditions contained in this Agreement.

The Parties understand and acknowledge that the Municipality may, during the term of this Agreement, wish to seek a modification to the Budget. The Parties agree that the Municipality may seek a Budget modification by submitting a request either, a.) in writing, if the Budget is attached to this Agreement, or b.) through the Vendor Portal's Budget Module, if the Budget is a Repository Document. The Municipality understands, acknowledges, and agrees that no Budget modification shall take effect unless and until the Commissioner has consented to that Budget modification request; that the Commissioner shall not be required to consent to any Budget modification request; and that all decisions by the Commissioner regarding Budget modification requests are final.

Any and all requests for payment to be made, including any requests for partial payment made in proportion to the Services rendered, shall be submitted by the Municipality on properly executed payment vouchers of the County and paid only after approval by the Commissioner. In no event shall final payment be made to the Municipality prior to the completion of all Services, the submission of reports and the approval of same by the Commissioner.

All payment vouchers must be accompanied by a numbered invoice and must contain the invoice number where indicated. All invoices submitted during each calendar year shall utilize consecutive numbering and be non-repeating.

Except as otherwise expressly stated in this Agreement, no payment shall be made by the County to the Municipality for out-of-pocket expenses or disbursements made in connection with the Services rendered or the Services to be rendered hereunder.

3. The term of this Agreement shall commence retroactive to January 1, 2024 and expire on or about December 31, 2024, unless terminated sooner pursuant to the provisions hereof.

Payment shall be made on a monthly basis, upon submission by the Municipality of claims or vouchers and such supporting documentation as the County may require, and approval of the same by the Commissioner.

The Parties recognize and acknowledge that the obligations of the County under this Agreement are subject to annual appropriations by its Board of Legislators pursuant to the Laws of Westchester County. Therefore, this Agreement shall be deemed executory only to the extent of the monies appropriated and available. The County shall have no liability under this Agreement beyond funds appropriated and available for payment pursuant to this Agreement. The Parties understand and intend that the obligation of the County hereunder shall constitute a current expense of the County and shall not in any way be construed to be a debt of the County in contravention of any applicable constitutional or statutory limitations or requirements concerning the creation of indebtedness by the County, nor shall anything contained in this Agreement constitute a pledge of the general tax revenues, funds or monies of the County. The County shall pay amounts due under this Agreement exclusively from legally available funds appropriated for this purpose. The County shall retain the right, upon the occurrence of the adoption of any County Budget by its Board of Legislators during the term of this Agreement or any amendments thereto, and for a reasonable period of time after such adoption(s), to conduct an analysis of the impacts of any such

County Budget on County finances. After such analysis, the County shall retain the right to either terminate this Agreement or to renegotiate the amounts and rates set forth herein. If the County subsequently offers to pay a reduced amount to the Municipality, then the Municipality shall have the right to terminate this Agreement upon reasonable prior written notice.

This 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 this Agreement or to renegotiate the amounts and rates approved herein. If the County subsequently offers to pay a reduced amount to the Municipality, then the Municipality shall have the right to terminate this Agreement upon reasonable prior written notice.

4. The Municipality shall comply with all applicable Federal, State and local laws, rules, regulations and ordinances and any amendments thereto.

In addition, the Municipality shall cause to be prominently posted, on the site where Services hereunder are to be provided, a statement regarding non-discrimination, which statement shall be similar in form to the following:

"In compliance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1975 and Title VI of the 1964 Civil Rights Act and New York State Executive Law and orders, no persons will be denied service or access to service based upon race, creed, color, national origin, religion, marital status, sexual orientation, genetic predisposition, carrier status, or handicapping condition."

5. The Municipality expressly agrees neither it nor any contractor, subcontractor, employee or any other person acting on its behalf shall discriminate against or intimidate any employee or other individual on the basis of race, creed, religion, color,

gender, age, national origin, ethnicity, alienage or citizenship status, disability, marital status, sexual orientation, familial status, genetic predisposition or carrier status during the term of or in connection with this Agreement, as those terms may be defined in Chapter 700 of the Laws of Westchester County. The Municipality acknowledges and understands that the County maintains a zero tolerance policy prohibiting all forms of harassment or discrimination against its employees by co-workers, supervisors, vendors, contractors, or others.

6. (a) There shall be no partisan political activity in connection with this Agreement, including (i) candidate endorsements (ii) registration activities which are partisan in nature (iii) scheduled meetings of services recipients with public officials or candidates unless event is open on an equal basis to all candidates and officials regardless of policy views or partisan affiliation. This does not preclude the legitimate right of elected officials and other community leaders to visit programs in their areas.

(b) The Municipality shall ensure that any services to be provided under this Agreement shall be secular in nature and scope and in no event shall there be any sectarian or religious services, counseling, proselytizing, instruction or other sectarian, religious influence undertaken in connection with the provision of such services. The Municipality shall refrain from using funds to advance any sectarian effort.

7. The Municipality shall not delegate any duties or assign any of its rights under this Agreement without the prior express written consent of the County. The Municipality shall not subcontract any part of the Services without the written consent of the County, subject to any necessary legal approvals. Any purported delegation of duties, assignment of rights or subcontracting of Services under this Agreement without the prior express written consent of the County is void. All subcontracts that have received such prior written consent shall provide that subcontractors are subject to all terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement. It is recognized and understood by the Municipality that for the purposes of this Agreement, all Services performed by a County-approved subcontractor shall be deemed Services performed by the Municipality and the Municipality shall insure that such subcontracted work are subject

to the material terms and conditions of this Agreement. All subcontracts for the Services shall expressly reference the subcontractor's duty to comply with the material terms and conditions of this Agreement and shall attach a copy of the County's contract with the Municipality. The Municipality shall obtain a written acknowledgement from the owner and/or chief executive of subcontractor or his/her duly authorized representative that the subcontractor has received a copy of the County's Agreement, read it and is familiar with the material terms and conditions thereof. The Municipality shall include provisions in its subcontracts designed to ensure that the Municipality and/or its auditor has the right to examine all relevant books, records, documents or electronic data of the subcontractor necessary to review the subcontractor's compliance with the material terms and conditions of this Agreement.

If the Municipality enters into subcontracts for the performance of Services pursuant to this Agreement, the Municipality shall take full responsibility for the acts and omissions of its subcontractors. Nothing in the subcontract shall impair the rights of the County under this Agreement or the Area Agency Plan as approved by NYSOFA. It shall be the responsibility of the Municipality to monitor and assess the activities performed under such subcontracts, and to ensure that these activities are provided in accordance with all applicable requirements contained in this Agreement and federal and state law.

The Municipality agrees that, to the extent it or its subcontractors, if any, maintains personal information relating to applicants or recipients of Services pursuant to this Agreement, such information will be kept confidential and shared with the County; or with other entities upon the consent of applicant, recipient or an authorized representative of the applicant or recipient; or as required by federal or state laws.

8. The Municipality must attempt to provide Services to low-income minority older individuals in at least the same proportion as the population of low income minority older individuals bears to the population of older individuals in the area served by such Municipality.

9. Statistical information and supporting documentation concerning the Services rendered hereunder shall be provided to the County by the Municipality on request of the County.

Documentation of reports and expenses shall include, without limiting the right to require additional documentation: invoices for all purchases, payroll time records, payroll records for local support contribution, municipal payment vouchers for governmental agencies, and canceled checks for private agencies as applicable.

The Programmatic monthly reporting system for Service Delivery Information and Service Recipient Information must be submitted using our electronic based system. Until further notice, the Municipality is required to mail in the PEERPLACE ELECTRONIC PAPER REPORT and or other approved reporting measure, signed by the staff member responsible for the report. The reports should be received by the County no later than the tenth (10th) day of the following month and/or entered on the website at the same time. The Municipality understands and agrees that submission of the monthly report by the deadline set forth above constitutes a material element of this Agreement. The County reserves the right to withhold payment to Municipality for its failure to submit the monthly report by the deadline, until such time as the monthly report is received by the County. Repeated failures by Municipality to submit the monthly report by the stated deadline will constitute a material breach of this Agreement justifying termination for cause as provided in Paragraph "14" hereof.

The Municipality shall furnish the County with copies of all insurance agreements relating to the Services provided by the Municipality hereunder.

10. The Municipality shall comply with the insurance requirements set forth in Schedule "A". In addition to, and not in limitation of, the insurance provisions of this Agreement, the Municipality agrees:

(a) that except for the amount, if any, of damage contributed to, caused by or resulting from the sole negligence of the County, the Municipality shall indemnify and hold harmless the County, its officers, employees and agents from and against any

and all liability, damage, claims, demands, costs, judgments, fees, attorneys' fees or loss arising directly or indirectly out of the performance or failure to perform hereunder by the Municipality or third parties under the direction or control of the Municipality; and

(b) to provide defense for and defend, at its sole expense, any and all claims, demands or causes of action directly or indirectly arising out of this Agreement and to bear all other costs and expenses related thereto; and

(c) In the event the Municipality does not provide the above defense and indemnification to the County, and such refusal or denial to provide the above defense and indemnification is found to be in breach of this provision, then the Municipality shall reimburse the County's reasonable attorney's fees incurred in connection with the defense of any action, and in connection with enforcing this provision of the Agreement.

(d) the Municipality may provide proof of self-insurance in lieu of insurance policies.

11. The Municipality agrees that any program, public information materials, or other printed or published materials on the Services which is supported with County funds will give due recognition to the Department.

12. The Municipality shall be solely responsible for any over expenditure of funds and the County shall not be responsible or liable for any such over expenditure.

13. The Municipality shall provide adequate qualified and trained personnel for supervision and fiscal management of the Services.

14. (a) The County, upon ten (10) days' notice to the Municipality, may terminate this Agreement in whole or in part when the County deems it to be in its best interest. In such event, the Municipality shall be compensated and the County shall be liable only for payment for Services already rendered under this Agreement prior to the effective date of termination in accordance with the Budget set forth in Schedule "B". Upon receipt of notice that the County is terminating this Agreement in its best interests, the

Municipality shall stop Services immediately and incur no further costs in furtherance of this Agreement without the express approval of the Commissioner, and the Municipality shall direct any approved subcontractors to do the same.

In the event of a dispute as to the value of the Services rendered by the Municipality prior to the date of termination, it is understood and agreed that the Commissioner shall determine the value of such Work rendered by the Municipality. The Municipality shall accept such reasonable and good faith determination as final.

(b) In the event the County determines that there has been a material breach by the Municipality of any of the terms of the Agreement and such breach remains uncured for forty-eight (48) hours after service on the Municipality of written notice thereof, the County, in addition to any other right or remedy it might have, may terminate this Agreement and the County shall have the right, power and authority to complete the Work provided for in this Agreement, or contract for its completion, and any additional expense or cost of such completion shall be charged to and paid by the Municipality. Without limiting the foregoing, upon written notice to the Municipality, repeated breaches by the Municipality of duties or obligations under this Agreement shall be deemed a material breach of this Agreement justifying termination for cause hereunder without requirement for further opportunity to cure.

15. The failure of the County to insist, in any one or more instances, upon a strict performance of any of the terms, covenants, agreements and conditions of this Agreement, shall not be considered as a waiver or relinquishment for the future of such covenant, but the same shall continue and remain in full force and effect.

16. All notices of any nature referred to in this Agreement shall be in writing and either sent by registered or certified mail postage pre-paid, or sent by hand or overnight courier, or sent by facsimile (with acknowledgment received and a copy of the notice sent by overnight courier), to the respective addresses set forth below or to such other addresses as the respective Parties hereto may designate in writing. Notice shall be effective on the date of receipt.

To the Municipality:

City of New Rochelle
515 North Avenue
New Rochelle, NY 10801

To the County:

Commissioner
Department of Senior Programs and Services
9 South First Avenue, 10th Floor
Mount Vernon, New York 10550-3414

with a copy to:

County Attorney
Michaelian Office Building, Room 600
148 Martine Avenue
White Plains, New York 10601

17. The Municipality represents and warrants that it has not employed or retained any person, other than a bona fide full time salaried employee working solely for the Municipality, to solicit or secure this agreement, and that it has not paid or agreed to pay any person (other than payments of fixed salary to a bona fide full time salaried employee working solely for the Municipality), any fee, commission, percentage, gift or other consideration, contingent upon or resulting from the award or making of this agreement. For the breach or violation of this provision, without limiting any other rights or remedies to which the County may be entitled or any civil or criminal penalty to which any violator may be liable, the County shall have the right, in its discretion, to terminate this agreement without liability, and to deduct from the contract price, or otherwise to recover, the full amount of such fee, commission, percentage, gift or consideration.

18. Attached hereto and forming part hereof is the schedule listed below. Simultaneous with its execution of this Agreement, the Municipality shall provide the County with a completed copy of the schedule. The Municipality agrees that the terms of each of the schedule has been accepted and agreed-to by the Municipality by virtue of its execution of this Agreement, and the Municipality represents and warrants that it

has completed the schedule accurately and completely.

Schedule "D" — "Vendor Direct Program - Electronic Funds Transfer"

All payments made by the County to the Municipality will be made by electronic funds transfer ("EFT") pursuant to the County's Vendor Direct Program. If the Municipality acknowledges is already enrolled in the submit an EFT Authorization Form as part of this Agreement. (In rare cases, a hardship waiver may be granted. For a Hardship Waiver Request Form, the Municipality understands that it must contact the County's Finance Department.)

If the Municipality is already enrolled in the Vendor Direct Program, the Municipality hereby agrees to immediately notify the County's Finance Department in writing if the EFT Authorization Form on file must be changed, and provide an updated version of the document.

19. This base agreement and its attachments constitute the entire Agreement between the Parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and shall supersede all previous negotiations, commitments and writings. It shall not be released, discharged, changed or modified except by an instrument in writing, signed by a duly authorized representative of each of the Parties. If there is a conflict between the terms of this base agreement and the terms of any attachment, the terms of this base agreement will prevail.

20. The Municipality hereby represents that, if operating under an assumed name, it has filed the necessary certificate pursuant to New York State General Business Law Section 130.

21. This Agreement may be executed simultaneously in several counterparts, each of which shall be an original and all of which shall constitute but one and the same instrument. This Agreement shall be construed and enforced in accordance with the

laws of New York State. In addition, the Parties hereby agree that any cause of action arising out of this Agreement shall be brought in the County.

If any term or provision of this Agreement is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or void or unenforceable, the remainder of the terms and provisions of this Agreement shall in no way be affected, impaired, or invalidated, and to the extent permitted by applicable law, any such term, or provision shall be restricted in applicability or reformed to the minimum extent required for such to be enforceable. This provision shall be interpreted and enforced to give effect to the original written intent of the Parties prior to the determination of such invalidity or unenforceability

22 This Agreement shall not be enforceable until signed by all Parties and approved by the Office of the County Attorney

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have executed this Agreement.

THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER

By: _____
Mae Carpenter, Commissioner
Dept. Senior Programs and Services

MUNICIPALITY:

By: _____
(Signature)

(Name)

(Title)

Approved by the Westchester County Board of Legislators pursuant to
Act No. ____-2024 adopted on the ____ day of _____, 2024.

Approved by:

Sr. Assistant County Attorney
The County of Westchester

DRAFT

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

STATE OF NEW YORK)
 ss.:
COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER)

On the _____ day of _____ in the year 2024 before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said State, personally appeared _____, personally known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the individual whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same in his/her capacity, and that by his/her signature on the instrument, the individual, or the person upon behalf of which the individual acted, executed the instrument; and, acknowledged if operating under any trade name, that the certificate required by the New York State General Business Law Section 130 has been filed as required therein.

Signature and Office of individual
taking acknowledgement

CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY
(MUNICIPALITY)

I, _____,
(Official other than official signing Agreement)

certify that I am the _____ of
(Title)
the _____
(Name of Municipality)

a Municipal Corporation duly organized and in good standing under the laws of the State of New York that _____
(Person executing Agreement)

who signed said Agreement on behalf of the _____
(Name of Municipality)

was, at the time of execution _____ of the Municipal Corporation
(Title of such person)

and that said Agreement was duly signed for and on behalf of said Municipal Corporation by authority of its governing board, thereunto duly authorized and that such authority is in full force and effect at the date hereof.

(Signature)

STATE OF NEW YORK)
) ss.:
COUNTY OF)

On the _____ day of _____ in the year 2024 before me, the undersigned, a

Notary Public in and for said State, _____ personally appeared, personally known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the officer described in and who executed the above certificate, who being by me duly sworn did depose and say that he/she resides at _____ and he/she is an officer of said municipal corporation; that he/she is duly authorized to execute said certificate on behalf of said corporation, and that he/she signed his/her name thereto pursuant to such authority.

Notary Public
Date:

SCHEDULE "A"

INSURANCE PROVISIONS

(Municipality)

1. Prior to commencing Work, and throughout the term of the Agreement, the Municipality shall obtain at its own cost and expense the required insurance as delineated below from insurance companies licensed in the State of New York, carrying a Best's financial rating of A or better. Municipality shall provide evidence of such insurance to the County of Westchester ("County"), either by providing a copy of policies and/or certificates as may be required and approved by the Director of Risk Management of the County ("Director"). The policies or certificates thereof shall provide that ten (10) days prior to cancellation or material change in the policy, notices of same shall be given to the Director either by overnight mail or personal delivery for all of the following stated insurance policies. All notices shall name the Municipality and identify the Agreement.

If at any time any of the policies required herein shall be or become unsatisfactory to the Director, as to form or substance, or if a company issuing any such policy shall be or become unsatisfactory to the Director, the Municipality shall upon notice to that effect from the County, promptly obtain a new policy, and submit the policy or the certificate as requested by the Director to the Office of Risk Management of the County for approval by the Director. Upon failure of the Municipality to furnish, deliver and maintain such insurance, the Agreement, at the election of the County, may be declared suspended, discontinued or terminated.

Failure of the Municipality to take out, maintain, or the taking out or maintenance of any required insurance, shall not relieve the Municipality from any liability under the Agreement, nor shall the insurance requirements be construed to conflict with or otherwise limit the contractual obligations of the Municipality concerning indemnification.

All property losses shall be made payable to the "County of Westchester" and adjusted with the appropriate County personnel.

In the event that claims, for which the County may be liable, in excess of the insured amounts provided herein are filed by reason of Municipality's negligent acts or omissions under the Agreement or by virtue of the provisions of the labor law or other statute or any other reason, the amount of excess of such claims or any portion thereof, may be withheld from payment due or to become due the Municipality until such time as the Municipality shall furnish such additional security covering such claims in form satisfactory to the Director.

In the event of any loss, if the Municipality maintains broader coverage and/or higher limits than the minimums identified herein, the County shall be entitled to the broader coverage and/or higher limits maintained by the Municipality. Any available insurance proceeds in excess of the specified minimum limits of insurance and coverage shall be available to the County.

2 The Municipality shall provide proof of the following coverage (if additional coverage is required for a specific agreement, those requirements will be described in the Agreement):

- a) Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability. Certificate form C-105.2 or State Fund Insurance Company form U-26.3 is required for proof of compliance with the New York State Workers' Compensation Law. State Workers' Compensation Board form DB-120.1 is required for proof of compliance with the New York State Disability Benefits Law. Location of operation shall be "All locations in Westchester County, New York."

Where an applicant claims to not be required to carry either a Workers' Compensation Policy or Disability Benefits Policy, or both, the employer must complete NYS form CE-200, available to download at: <http://www.wcb.ny.gov>.

If the employer is self-insured for Workers' Compensation, he/she should present a certificate from the New York State Worker's Compensation Board evidencing that fact (Either SI-12, Certificate of Workers' Compensation Self-Insurance, or GSI-105.2, Certificate of Participation in Workers' Compensation Group Self-Insurance).

- b) Commercial General Liability Insurance with a combined single limit of \$1,000,000 (c.s.1) per occurrence and a \$2,000,000 aggregate limit naming the "County of Westchester" as an additional insured on a primary and non-contributory basis. This insurance shall include the following coverages:
- i. Premises - Operations.
 - ii. Broad Form Contractual.
 - iii. Independent Contractor and Sub-Contractor.
 - iv. Products and Completed Operations.

- c) Commercial Umbrella/Excess Insurance: \$2,000,000 each Occurrence and Aggregate naming the "County of Westchester" as additional insured, written on a "follow the form" basis.

NOTE: Additional insured status shall be provided by standard or other endorsement that extends coverage to the County of Westchester for both on-going and completed operations.

All Contracts involving the use of explosives, demolition and/or underground work shall provide proof that XCU is covered.

- d) Automobile Liability Insurance with a minimum limit of liability per occurrence of \$1,000,000 for bodily injury and a minimum limit of \$100,000 per occurrence for property damage or a combined single limit of \$1,000,000 unless otherwise indicated in the contract specifications. This insurance shall include for bodily injury and property damage the following coverages and name the "County of Westchester" as additional insured:
- (i) Owned automobiles.
 - (ii) Hired automobiles.
 - (iii) Non-owned automobiles.

3. All policies of the Municipality shall be endorsed to contain the following clauses:

(a) Insurers shall have no right to recovery or subrogation against the County (including its employees and other agents and agencies), it being the intention of the Parties that the insurance policies so effected shall protect both Parties and be primary coverage for any and all losses covered by the above-described insurance.

(b) The clause "other insurance provisions" in a policy in which the County is named as an insured, shall not apply to the County.

(c) The insurance companies issuing the policy or policies shall have no recourse against the County (including its agents and agencies as aforesaid) for payment of any premiums or for assessments under any form of policy.

(d) Any and all deductibles in the above described insurance policies shall be assumed by and be for the account of, and at the sole risk of, the Municipality.

Important information for Municipalities and Insurance Brokers:

(The below is required for all insurance certificates)

For Additionally Insured & Waiver of Subrogation status on an ACORD certificate:

- a. **Check off the additional insured (ADDL INSD) and waiver of subrogation (SUBR WVD) boxes next to the following policies:**

- Commercial General Liability
- Automobile Liability
- Umbrella/Excess Liability

And input the following language into Description of Operations box: "Certificate holder is included as additional insured on a primary & non-contributory basis"

OR

- b. **Input following language into Description of Operations box:**

"Certificate holder is included as additional insured on a primary & non-contributory basis under the Commercial General Liability, Automobile Liability and Umbrella/Excess Liability policies. All policies include a waiver of subrogation in favor of the certificate holder applies as required by written contract"

For insurance certificates other than ACORD or with no check boxes please use option b

INSERT SCHEDULES "B" & "C"

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SCHEDULE "D"

Westchester County Vendor Direct Program Frequently Asked Questions

1. WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF THE ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER (EFT) ASSOCIATED WITH THE VENDOR DIRECT PROGRAM?

There are several advantages to having your payments automatically deposited into your designated bank account via EFT:

Payments are secure – Paper checks can be lost in the mail or stolen, but money deposited directly into your bank account is more secure.

You save time – Money deposited into your bank account is automatic. You save the time of preparing and delivering the deposit to the bank. Additionally, the funds are immediately available to you.

2. ARE MY PAYMENTS GOING TO BE PROCESSED ON THE SAME SCHEDULE AS THEY WERE BEFORE VENDOR DIRECT?

Yes.

3. HOW QUICKLY WILL A PAYMENT BE DEPOSITED INTO MY ACCOUNT?

Payments are deposited two business days after the voucher/invoice is processed. Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays are not considered business days.

4. HOW WILL I KNOW WHEN THE PAYMENT IS IN MY BANK ACCOUNT AND WHAT IT IS FOR?

Under the Vendor Direct Program, you will receive an e-mail notification two days prior to the day the payment will be credited to your designated account. The e-mail notification will come in the form of a remittance advice with the same information that currently appears on your check stub, and will contain the date that the funds will be credited to your account.

5. WHAT IF THERE IS A DISCREPANCY IN THE AMOUNT RECEIVED?

Please contact your Westchester County representative as you would have in the past if there were a discrepancy on a check received.

6. WHAT IF I DO NOT RECEIVE THE MONEY IN MY DESIGNATED BANK ACCOUNT ON THE DATE INDICATED IN THE E-MAIL?

In the unlikely event that this occurs, please contact the Westchester County Accounts Payable Department at 914-995-4708.

7. WHAT MUST I DO IF I CHANGE MY BANK OR MY ACCOUNT NUMBER?

Whenever you change any information or close your account a new Vendor Direct Payment Authorization Form must be submitted. Please contact the Westchester County Accounts Payable Department at 914-995-4708 and we will e-mail you a new form.

8. WHEN COMPLETING THE PAYMENT AUTHORIZATION FORM, WHY MUST I HAVE IT SIGNED BY A BANK OFFICIAL IF I DON'T INCLUDE A VOIDED CHECK?

This is to ensure the authenticity of the account being set up to receive your payments.



Authorization is:
(check one)

- New
- Change
- No Change

Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) Vendor Direct Payment Authorization Form

INSTRUCTIONS: Please complete both sections of this Authorization form and attach a voided check. See the reverse for more information and instructions. If you previously submitted this form and there is no change to the information previously submitted, ONLY complete lines 1 through 6 of section 1.

Section I - Vendor Information

1. Vendor Name:		
2. Taxpayer ID Number or Social Security Number:		
3. Vendor Primary Address		
4. Contact Person Name:	Contact Person Telephone Number:	
5. Vendor E-Mail Addresses for Remittance Notification:		
6. Vendor Certification: <i>I have read and understand the Vendor Direct Payment Program and hereby authorize payments to be received by electronic funds transfer into the bank that I designate in Section II. I further understand that in the event that an erroneous electronic payment is sent, Westchester County reserves the right to reverse the electronic payment. In the event that a reversal cannot be implemented, Westchester County will utilize any other lawful means to retrieve payments to which the payee was not entitled.</i>		
_____ Authorized Signature	_____ Print Name/Title	_____ Date

Section II- Financial Institution Information

7. Bank Name:		
8. Bank Address:		
9. Routing Transit Number:		10. Account Type: (check one) <input type="checkbox"/> Checking <input type="checkbox"/> Savings
11. Bank Account Number:	12. Bank Account Title:	
13. Bank Contact Person Name:		Telephone Number:
14. FINANCIAL INSTITUTION CERTIFICATION (required ONLY if directing funds into a Savings Account OR if a voided check is not attached to this form): <i>I certify that the account number and type of account is maintained in the name of the vendor named above. As a representative of the named financial institution, I certify that this financial institution is ACH capable and agrees to receive and deposit payments to the account shown.</i>		
_____ Authorized Signature	_____ Print Name / Title	_____ Date

(Leave Blank - to be completed by Westchester County) - Vendor number assigned

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Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) Vendor Direct Payment Authorization Form

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

Please complete both sections of the Vendor Direct Payment Authorization Form and forward the completed form (along with a voided check for the account to which you want your payments credited) to: Westchester County Department of Finance, 148 Martine Ave, Room 720, White Plains, NY 10601, Attention: Vendor Direct. Please see item 14 below regarding attachment of a voided check.

Section I - VENDOR INFORMATION

1. Provide the name of the vendor as it appears on the W-9 form.
2. Enter the vendor's Taxpayer ID number or Social Security Number as it appears on the W-9 form.
3. Enter the vendor's complete primary address (not a P.O. Box).
4. Provide the name and telephone number of the vendor's contact person.
5. Enter the business e-mail address for the remittance notification. **THIS IS VERY IMPORTANT.** This is the e-mail address that we will use to send you notification and remittance information two days prior to the payment being credited to your bank account. We suggest that you provide a group mailbox (if applicable) for your e-mail address. You may also designate multiple e-mail addresses.
6. Please have an authorized Payee/Company official sign and date the form and include his/her title.

Section II - FINANCIAL INSTITUTION INFORMATION

7. Provide bank's name.
8. Provide the complete address of your bank.
9. Enter your bank's 9 digit routing transit number.
10. Indicate the type of account (check one box only).
11. Enter the vendor's bank account number.
12. Enter the title of the vendor's account.
13. Provide the name and telephone number of your bank contact person.
14. If you are directing your payments to a Savings Account OR you can not attach a voided check for your checking account, this line needs to be completed and signed by an authorized bank official. **IF YOU DO ATTACH A VOIDED CHECK FOR A CHECKING ACCOUNT, YOU MAY LEAVE THIS LINE BLANK.**