

ACT 142 - 2024

HONORABLE BOARD OF LEGISLATORS THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER

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Your Committee is in receipt of a communication from the Chair of the Board of Legislators recommending the adoption of an Act which, if approved by your Honorable Board, would authorize the County of Westchester (the "County") to enter into an inter-municipal agreement ("IMA") with the City of Mount Vernon (the "City"), acting by and through its Recreation Department, in which the City shall provide various educational and recreational programs (the "Programs") that will benefit youth, senior citizens, and community members of Mount Vernon. Specifically, the City shall provide: (i) a summer basketball clinic, and (ii) various programs that will benefit senior citizens.

First, the City shall provide a summer basketball clinic ("Basketball Clinic") on or about July 8, 2024 through August 16, 2024. The Basketball Clinic will be located in Mount Vernon at the Mount Vernon High School gymnasium, Mondays through Fridays from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. for six weeks. The Basketball Clinic will have availability of a maximum of ninety (90) registered participants, ages 8-17 for each week of the Basketball Clinic. The head basketball coach at Mount Vernon High School and his staff shall direct basketball skills and drills. In addition to helping participants develop basketball skills, the Basketball Clinic shall teach participants "life skills", where speakers will present and discuss various life skill topics to participants. All participants will receive lunch and a tee shirt.

The purpose of the Basketball Clinic is to enhance the athletic and social skills of participants while providing a safe environment with quality basketball instruction. All participants will be given a skill evaluation test at the beginning of each session and another one at the end of the session to test each participant's ability in shot-making, agility and basic knowledge of the game of basketball. Participants who show the most improvement are encouraged to participate in the City's Saturday youth summer basketball league. It is anticipated that eighty-five (85%) percent of participants will learn about the game of basketball, including shot making, movement and overall comprehension; fifty

(50%) percent of participants will be motivated to continue in additional basketball programs, and seventy-five (75%) percent of participants will increase their motor skills and agility, and their ability to work in a team setting. The City's Director of Athletics and Program Services and assigned administrative staff are tasked with monitoring the Basketball Clinic and to conduct site visits.

Second, the City shall provide a variety of educational and recreational programs that will foster opportunities for Westchester County senior citizens and community members. Specifically, the City shall provide the following programs: (i) "Let's Discover Our Roots! A Genealogy Club for Senior Citizens; (ii) Senior Exercise Classes; (iii) Bingo Blast; and (iv) Senior Trips. It is expected that there will be approximately 150 participants participating in these programs.

"Let's Discover Our Roots! A Genealogy Club for Senior Citizens", is a program designed to allow participants to learn about who they are by discovering about their ancestors, celebrating family traditions, embracing cultures and understanding where they came from and their place in history. The goal of this program is to provide an environment that engages participants to explore new avenues and discover their roots and their place in today's world.

The "Senior Exercise" classes combine music, movement and social interaction that may stimulate the release of endorphins that promote feelings of happiness and reduce stress and anxiety. Through cardiovascular exercise, muscle strengthening, flexibility enhancement, coordination development and mental stimulation, participants may experience a myriad of health benefits.

The City shall also provide a "Bingo Blast" program which will provide an opportunity for senior citizens to participate in the popular and enjoyable game of Bingo. The "Bingo Blast" program shall offer benefits to the overall well-being and cognitive health of older adults, and shall provide a structured environment for social interaction that may foster friendships. The advantages of this program includes encompassing social, cognitive and emotional dimensions. For example, social

interaction that is engaged during this program may lead to decrease in loneliness and social isolation. By decreasing loneliness and social isolation through this program, the program may lead to adverse effects on the mental and physical health of the senior citizens participating in the program.

The City shall also provide “Senior Trips” program which shall be a variety of trips organized for cultural and entertainment outings for senior citizens that will promote and contribute to the well-being and happiness of senior citizens in Westchester County. The City seeks authorization to use one of the following subcontractors for bus transportation services for the Senior Trips programs:

1. First Student, Inc.
Mailing Address: 325 Miller Place, Mount Vernon, New York 10550
Telephone Number: 914-423-7777
2. J & R Tours, LTD.
Mailing Address: 791 Nepperhan Ave., Yonkers, New York 10703
Telephone Number: 914-668-5050
3. Hudson Valley Charter Service, Inc.
Mailing Address: 6 Dogwood Road, Cortlandt Manor, New York 10567

Prior to the commencement of the program, the City shall confirm and provide written notice to County, indicating which subcontractor will provide the bus transportation services. Said selected subcontractor shall provide evidence of insurance to the County as set forth in the insurance requirements of Schedule “C” of Agreement, 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.

The County will pay the City a total amount not to exceed Fifty-Three Thousand, Six Hundred and Forty-One (\$53,641.00) Dollars as follows: Twenty-Eight Thousand, Six Hundred and Forty-One (\$28,641.00) Dollars for the Basketball Clinic and, Twenty-Five Thousand, (\$25,000.00) Dollars, for the various senior citizen programs payable pursuant to an approved budget.

Your Committee has determined that there is a clear and overwhelming need for educational

and recreational services within the City. Accordingly, there is an increased need to sustain and expand programming that will provide affordable, safe, and constructive activities that will benefit youth, senior citizens, and community members of Mount Vernon.

The Department of Planning has advised that the proposed IMA does not meet the definition of an "action" under the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA"), and its implementing regulations, 6 NYCRR, Part 617. Please refer to the Memorandum from the Department of Planning dated January 8, 2024, which is on file with the clerk of your Honorable Board. Therefore, no environmental review is required. Your Committee concurs with this recommendation.

Your Committee has been advised that approval of the attached Act requires an affirmative vote of a majority of the members of your Honorable Board. Your Committee has carefully considered this proposed Act authorizing the IMA and recommends its approval.

Dated: July 29th, 2024
White Plains, New York

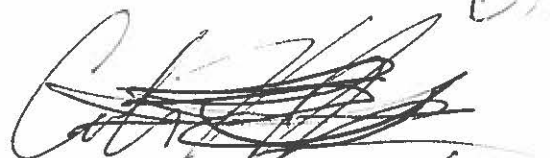

COMMITTEE ON:



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Budget & Appropriations

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

SUBJECT: IMA City of Mt Vernon

☐ NO FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED

OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT

To Be Completed by Submitting Department and Reviewed by Budget

SECTION A - FUND

☒ GENERAL FUND

☐ AIRPORT FUND

☐ SPECIAL DISTRICTS FUND

SECTION B - EXPENSES AND REVENUES

Total Current Year Expense \$ 25,000

Total Current Year Revenue \$ -

Source of Funds (check one): ☒ Current Appropriations ☐ Transfer of Existing Appropriations

☐ Additional Appropriations ☐ Other (explain)

Identify Accounts: 101-52-5100-2508

Potential Related Operating Budget Expenses: Annual Amount _____

Describe: _____

Potential Related Operating Budget Revenues: Annual Amount _____

Describe: _____

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

Current Year: _____

Next Four Years: _____

Prepared by: Michael Dunn

Title: Senior Budget Analyst

Department: Budget

Date: June 17, 2024

Reviewed By:  Christine Parnell

Deputy Budget Director

Date: 6/17/24

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SECTION A - FUND

☒ GENERAL FUND

☐ AIRPORT FUND

☐ SPECIAL DISTRICTS FUND

SECTION B - EXPENSES AND REVENUES

Total Current Year Expense \$ 28,641

Total Current Year Revenue \$ -

Source of Funds (check one): ☒ Current Appropriations ☐ Transfer of Existing Appropriations

☐ Additional Appropriations ☐ Other (explain)

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ACT NO. 2024 -142

AN ACT authorizing the County of Westchester to enter into an inter-municipal agreement with the City of Mount Vernon for various educational and recreational programs and events that will benefit youth, senior citizens, and community members of Mount Vernon for the period January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024 for a total amount not to exceed \$53,641.00.

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

Section 1. The County of Westchester ("County"), is hereby authorized to enter into an inter-municipal agreement ("IMA") with the City of Mount Vernon ("City"), in which the City shall provide various educational and recreational programs and events that will benefit youth, senior citizens, and community members of Mount Vernon, within the period from January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024, for a total amount not to exceed Fifty-Three Thousand, Six Hundred and Forty-One, (\$53,641.00) Dollars, payable pursuant to an approved budget.

§2. The City is hereby authorized to use one of the following subcontractors for the Agreement, for the purpose of providing bus transportation services for the "Senior Trips" Program:

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provided, however, that prior to the commencement of the program, the City shall confirm and provide written notice to County indicating which subcontractor will provide the bus transportation services. Said selected subcontractor shall provide evidence of insurance to the County as set forth in the insurance requirements of Schedule "C" of Agreement, 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.

§3. The Chair of the Board of Legislators or his duly authorized designee is hereby authorized to execute and deliver all documents and take such actions as the Chair deems necessary or desirable to accomplish the purposes hereof.

§4. This Act shall take effect immediately.

SCOPE OF WORK

The City of Mt. Vernon-Department of Recreation "Basketball Clinic" for youth ages 8-17 for the period of July 8, 2023 - August 16, 2024. The program operates for four hours per day, five days per week for six weeks.

The program is held in Mt. Vernon High School gymnasium. Operating hours are Monday – Friday from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm; the clinic is offered in weekly sessions. A maximum of 90 boys and girls will be registered in each session. The summer basketball clinic is open to all youth from Mt. Vernon ages 8-17 years old. Basketball skills and drills are directed by Bob Cimmino, head basketball coach of Mt. Vernon High School and his staff. A portion of our program is dedicated to "Life Skills development". Each week a guest speaker will present and discuss a different life skill topic to the participants. All participants will receive lunch and a T-shirt.

The program is designed to provide a safe environment along with quality basketball instruction to the youth of Mt. Vernon. The goal of our Summer Basketball clinic is to provide the youth of Mt. Vernon a summer with constructive activities, while providing quality basketball instruction for youth who desire to become better basketball players. Our summer clinic is an alternative to delinquent behavior and discourages possible gang involvement or drug abuse it also keeps our youth physically fit combating the effects of obesity.

All participants are given a skill evaluation test at the beginning of each session and another one at the end of the session to test the knowledge of shot making, agility, and basic basketball knowledge. Those participants who show the most improvement will be steered towards our Saturday youth summer basketball league. Eighty-five percent (85%) of participants will learn the "GAME" (i.e. Shot Making, Movement and overall comprehension); fifty (50%) percent will be motivated to continue in additional basketball programs; and seventy-five (75%) percent will increase their motor skills and agility, as well as their ability to work in a "TEAM" setting.

We market our Summer Clinic through advertising on social media; and distributing flyers and brochures throughout the community. Our brochures are also available on the city website www.cmvny.com.

Staff needed for this program will be - 1 Director, 1 Asst Director, 8 Recreation Specialist, Basketballs, Guest Speakers, T Shirts, Etc.

SCOPE OF WORK

The City of Mount Vernon will foster opportunities for senior citizens and community members.

LET'S DISCOVER OUR ROOTS! A GENEALOGY CLUB FOR SENIOR CITIZENS This club is designed to instill in the participants a sense of identity by learning about who they are. Discovering more about their ancestors, celebrating family traditions, embracing cultures and understanding where they came from and their place in history. This structure provides an environment that engages participants to explore new avenues and discover their roots and their place in the world today.

The following are necessary: Membership to on-line genealogy research organizations, Staffing Consultants

Senior Exercise classes: The combination of music, movement, and social interaction stimulates the release of endorphins, that promote feelings of happiness and reduce stress and anxiety. Through cardiovascular exercise, muscle strengthening, flexibility enhancement, coordination development, and mental stimulation, participants experience a myriad of health benefits that extend beyond the studio walls. Embracing dance as a regular part of one's fitness routine can lead to improved quality of life and longevity.

The following will be a part of this program: Dance instructor, Water Bottles, Hand Weights, Resistance Bands

Bingo Blast A popular game enjoyed by people of all ages, holds particular significance for seniors. Beyond its entertainment value, Bingo offers benefits that contribute to the overall well-being and cognitive health of older adults. The advantages of Bingo for seniors, encompassing social, cognitive, and emotional dimensions. Social Interaction: Loneliness and social isolation are prevalent concerns among seniors, leading to adverse effects on mental and physical health. Bingo provides a structured environment for social interaction, fostering friendships

The following will be part of this program: Bingo Machine, Bingo Cards, Etc.

Senior Trips Senior trips are organized for cultural and entertainment outings for seniors, this is a valuable initiative that will provide numerous benefits to participants. By offering opportunities for socialization, recreation, and cultural enrichment, we can contribute to the well-being and happiness of seniors in our community.

The following will be part of this program: Transportation, tickets discounts, lunch etc.

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FUNDING SOURCE SUMMARY									
BASKETBALL PROGRAM									
PROJECT BUDGET FOR 2024									
SALARIES AND WAGES:									
Director (1) @ \$30/hr x 5 hrs/day x 5 days/wk @ 6 weeks								\$	4,500.00
Asstinant Director (1) @ \$20/hr x 4 hrs/day x 5 days/wk @ 6 weeks								\$	2,400.00
Rec Specialist (8) @ \$17.50/hr x 4 hrs/day x 5 days x 6 wks								\$	16,800.00
TOTAL SALARIES								\$	23,700.00
FRINGE BENEFITS									
FICA @ 7.65%								\$	1,813.00
Workers' Compensation @ 2.38%								\$	564.00
Liability Insurance @ 4.36%								\$	1,033.00
State Unemployment Insurance @ 0.57%								\$	135.00
TOTAL FRINGE BENEFITS								\$	3,545.00
TOTAL SALARY & FRINGE:								\$	27,245.00
MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES:									
Equipment (Basketballs, nets, whistles, Awards, etc.)								\$	696.00
Speaker								\$	200.00
T Shirt								\$	500.00
Sub-Total								\$	1,396.00
TOTAL PROPOSED OPERATING BUDGET:									
								\$	28,641.00
								Budget	\$ 28,641.00

STATE OF NEW YORK)
) ss.
WESTCHESTER COUNTY)

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have compared the foregoing Act, Act No. 142 - 2024, with the original on file in my office, and that the same is a correct transcript therefrom, and of the whole, of the said original Act, which was duly adopted by the County Board of Legislators, of the County of Westchester on August 5, 2024, and approved by the County Executive on August 5, 2024.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Corporate Seal of said County Board of Legislators on this 6th day of August, 2024.

Malik Vanderberg

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The Clerk of the Westchester County
Board of Legislators

County of Westchester, New York

