

ACT 236 - 2025

HONORABLE BOARD OF LEGISLATORS THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER

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IMA ON FILE

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"), for a summer basketball program (the "Program"). The Program operated five (5) days per week during the period July 7, 2025 through August 15, 2025. The Program was held in Mount Vernon at the Mount Vernon High School gymnasium Mondays-Fridays for four hours. The Program had availability of a maximum of ninety (90) registered participants, ages 8 - 17 for each week of the Program. The head basketball coach at Mount Vernon High School and his staff directed basketball skills and drills. In addition to helping participants develop basketball skills, the Program taught participants "life skills". Each week a speaker presented and discussed a different life skill topic to the participants. All participants received lunch and a tee shirt. The County will pay the City a total amount not to exceed Twenty-Eight Thousand, Six Hundred and Forty-One (\$28,641.00) Dollars, payable, pursuant to an approved budget.

The purpose of the Program is to enhance the athletic and social skills of participants while providing a safe environment with quality basketball instruction. All participants were 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 showed the most improvement are encouraged to participate in the City's Saturday youth summer basketball league.

It was advised that in previous years of the Program that eighty-five (85%) percent of the participants learned the game of basketball, including shot making, movement and overall comprehension; fifty (50%) percent were motivated to continue in additional basketball programs, and seventy-five (75%) percent increased their motor skills and agility, as well as their ability to work in a team setting. The City's Director of Athletics and Program Services and assigned administrative staff were tasked with monitoring the program and site visits.

The City will submit a written report to the County including statistics of the results of the Program. Evaluations will be based on the extent to which objectives of the Program were accomplished. The Program supervisors were required to prepare an "evaluation report" including an assessment of strengths, weaknesses and/or comments, including the number of children registered, average attendance per session, speakers, topics, and other pertinent information.

The goal of the Program is to provide constructive activities while providing quality basketball instruction for youth who desire to become better basketball players. The Program is a healthy alternative to delinquent behavior and discourages possible gang involvement and drug abuse. It also keeps the participants physically fit in an effort to combat the effects of obesity.

Your Committee has determined that there is a clear and overwhelming need for youth services within the City. Accordingly, there is an increased need to sustain and expand programming that will provide affordable, safe, and constructive activities for youth. Your Committee has determined that the Program helps achieve these objectives.

The Department of Planning has advised that the proposed IMA does not meet the definition of an "action" under the New York 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 14, 2025, which is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Legislators. 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: October 15th, 2025
White Plains, New York

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COMMITTEE ON

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Budget & Appropriations

Veterans, Seniors & Youth

Dated: October 15, 2025
White Plains, New York

The following members attended the meeting remotely and approved this item out of Committee with an affirmative vote. Their electronic signature was authorized and is below

Committee(s) on:

**VETERANS, SENIORS, AND
YOUTH**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Catherine F. Parker".

Catherine F. Parker

ACT NO. 2025-236

AN ACT authorizing the County of Westchester to enter into an inter-municipal agreement with the City of Mount Vernon for a summer basketball program for the period July 7, 2025 through August 15, 2025 for a total amount not to exceed \$28,641.00.

BE IT ENACTED by the County Board of the County of Westchester, State of

New York 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"), for a summer basketball program (the "Program"). The Program ran from July 7, 2025 through August 15, 2025 in Mount Vernon at the Mount Vernon High School gymnasium Mondays-Fridays for four hours each day. The Program had availability of a maximum of ninety (90) registered participants, ages 8 - 17 for each week of the Program. The Program taught youth basketball skills as well as "life skills" that can be applied to their everyday lives. The County will pay the City a total amount not to exceed Twenty-Eight Thousand, Six Hundred Forty-One (\$28,641.00) Dollars, payable, pursuant to an approved budget.

§2. The City shall submit a written report to the County including statistics of the results of the Program. Evaluations will be based on the extent to which objectives of the Program were accomplished. The Program supervisors were required to prepare an "evaluation report" including an assessment of strengths, weaknesses and/or comments, the number of children registered, average attendance per session, speakers, topics, and other pertinent information.

§3. The Chair of the Board of Legislators or his duly authorized designee ("Chair") 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.

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 \$ 28,641

Total Current Year Revenue \$ -

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

☐ Additional Appropriations

☐ Other (explain)

Identify Accounts: 101-52-2508-5100

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: October 1, 2025

Reviewed By: Mark Medial

Assoc Budget Director

Date: October 1, 2025

STATE OF NEW YORK)
) ss.
WESTCHESTER COUNTY)

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have compared the foregoing Act, Act No. 236 - 2025, 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 October 20, 2025, and approved by the County Executive on October 22, 2025.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Corporate Seal of said County Board of Legislators on this 23rd day of October, 2025.

Malika Vanderberg

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The Clerk of the Westchester County
Board of Legislators

County of Westchester, New York

