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DATE October 15, 2024

TO: Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: Blanca P. Lopez, M.S.
Commissioner of Planning

SUBJECT: Resolution authorizing a first amendment to an agreement between the County of Westchester and Hydroenvironmental Solutions, Inc. for a geological study of the water supply at Hilltop Hanover Farm and Environmental Center in order to extend the expiration date from December 14, 2024 to December 14, 2025.

On July 25, 2024, the County of Westchester ("County") entered into a short form agreement, approved by Short Form ID number 68887, in an amount not-to-exceed \$34,520 for a term commencing retroactively on December 15, 2023 and expiring on December 14, 2024 (the "Agreement") for the provision of a geological study (the "Study") of the water supply at Hilltop Hanover Farm and Environmental Center. The Agreement was subsequently executed.

The parties now desire to enter into a first amendment to the Agreement in order to extend the expiration date from December 14, 2024 to December 14, 2025 (the "First Amendment"). The additional time is needed in order to collect the proper rainfall data during the correct season in order to estimate the groundwater supply. All of the other terms and conditions of the Agreement will remain in full force and effect.

The goal and objective of this First Amendment is to ensure that there is a stable water supply for the irrigation system to irrigate farm crops and native plants, and to continue Hilltop Hanover Farm and Environmental Center's mission of crop and native plant production. The Study will continue to be monitored by Planning Department staff who will review all payment requests to make sure all of the terms of the Agreement, as amended, are met.

Authority to exempt this First Amendment from the requirements of the Westchester County Procurement Policy and Procedures pursuant to Section 3(a)xxi thereof, has been requested by your Honorable Board in accordance with a separate resolution of even date herewith.

I recommend approval of this First Amendment.

BPL/sbl/je/lac
Attachment

