

**113755**

Date: May 18, 2026

To: The Honorable Board of Acquisition and Contract

From: Kenneth W. Jenkins  
County Executive

Re: Authority to amend an agreement with Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute to outline the expectations, engagement periods, deliverables, and costs for the collaboration with the County to enhance technical ability and workforce development in Westchester County, for a term from February 25, 2025 through December 31, 2025, for an amount not-to-exceed \$425,000.00, payable pursuant to an approved budget, in order to extend the term from December 31, 2025 through December 31, 2026, at no additional cost to the County.

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On May 1, 2025, your Honorable Board approved a Resolution authorizing the County of Westchester (“County”) to enter into a memorandum of agreement (“MOU”) with Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (“RPI”) to facilitate the development of undergraduate and graduate engineering programs in and for the Westchester County market, for a term from February 25, 2025 through February 24, 2027. The parties subsequently executed the MOU.

On June 5, 2025, your Honorable Board approved a Resolution authorizing the County to enter into an agreement with RPI to outline the expectations, engagement periods, deliverables, and costs for the collaboration with the County to enhance technical ability and workforce development the Westchester County market, for a term from February 25, 2025 through December 31, 2025, for an amount not-to-exceed \$425,000.00, payable pursuant to an approved budget (“Agreement”). The parties subsequently executed the Agreement.

Under this agreement, RPI will: hire a Community Liaison; gain approval for, and begin building an undergraduate technical/management degree completion program; market Rensselaer at Work programs to employers and professionals in Westchester County; collaborate with the County to build and maintain a locally available digital presence; evaluate the feasibility of an RPI engineering degree to be delivered in the County in subsequent years; and track and report progress on initiatives to appropriate County representatives. The County will: secure and disburse funding to RPI upon execution of the agreement; collaborate in marketing and public relations initiatives; include RPI in Westchester County industry groups, events, and employer relationships, as appropriate; and assist, as needed, in identifying a physical location for the Community Liaison.

In order that it may complete the specified tasks, RPI has requested an extension of the Agreement’s term from December 31, 2025 through December 31, 2026, at no additional cost to the County. All remaining terms and conditions of the Agreement will remain unchanged. A Resolution authorizing the County to amend the Agreement for that purpose is attached for your Honorable Board’s consideration.

The goals and objectives of this agreement are to:

1. In 2025, RPI will work with Westchester County to provide educational programs, deepen relationships with employers, explore the feasibility of future program development, and build RPI's presence in Westchester County. Efforts to be undertaken in 2025 are detailed in their Statement of Work.
2. In subsequent years, RPI will work with Westchester County to build out programs, formalize relationships, and find additional ways to deepen workforce capacity in Westchester County. Each year, an additional Statement of Work will be defined and agreed to.

Accordingly, your favorable action on the annexed Resolution is most respectfully urged and recommended.

KWJ/BG/DLV/dv

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## RESOLUTION

Upon a communication from the County Executive, be it hereby

**RESOLVED**, that the County of Westchester (“County”) is hereby authorized to amend an agreement with Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute to outline the expectations, engagement periods, deliverables, and costs for the collaboration with the County to enhance technical ability and workforce development the Westchester County market, for a term from February 25, 2025 through December 31, 2025, for an amount not-to-exceed \$425,000.00, payable pursuant to an approved budget, in order to extend the term from December 31, 2025 through December 31, 2026, at no additional cost to the County; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that all remaining terms and conditions of the Agreement will remain unchanged; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the County Executive or his duly appointed designee be, and hereby is, authorized to take such action and execute such documents as may be necessary and proper to effect the purposes hereof.

Account to be Charged/credited	Fund	Dept	Major Program, Program & Phase Or Unit	Object/ Sub Object	Trust Account	Dollars
						N/A

Budget Funding Year(s) 2025 Start Date 02/25/2025 End Date 12/31/2026  
 (must match resolution)

Funding Source Tax Dollars \_\_\_\_\_  
 State Aid \_\_\_\_\_  
 \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Federal Aid \_\_\_\_\_  
 (must match resolution) Other \_\_\_\_\_

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