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DATE: January 16, 2026

TO: Board of Acquisition and Contract

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

SUBJECT: Resolution Authorizing an Agreement between the County of Westchester and the Town of Ossining for the Replacement of the Bathroom at Louis Engel Waterfront Park

The attached resolution, if approved by your Honorable Board, would authorize the County of Westchester (the "County") to enter into an agreement with the Town of Ossining (the "Town") to undertake a project at Louis Engel Waterfront Park focused on replacing an aging bathroom (the "Project"). The Town will demolish the existing bathroom at Louis Engel Waterfront Park, which has exceeded its useful life, and install a new bathroom closer to the splash pad and playground to improve accessibility and safety. In return for completing the Project, the County will provide the Town with up to \$272,500 in Community Development Block Grant ("CDBG") funds, in accordance with an approved budget. The term of the agreement will begin on February 1, 2026, and continue through January 31, 2027.

The Project includes improvements at Louis Engel Waterfront Park, a one-acre linear waterfront park located in the Village of Ossining and owned by the Town. The park is situated along the Hudson River and adjacent to the Ossining Metro-North train station. Heavily used by the community, it is located in a low- to moderate-income area where residents visit during warmer months to enjoy the river breeze and limited shaded areas. Local families and day camps frequently bring children to the park to use the splash pad and playground facilities.

The goal and objective of the Project is to demolish the existing bathroom at Louis Engel Waterfront Park and install a new bathroom closer to the splash pad and playground, improving accessibility, convenience, and safe use for children and other park visitors.

The Town of Ossining and the Westchester County Department of Planning will monitor the Project to ensure compliance with all contractual requirements.

This procurement is in compliance with the Westchester County Procurement Policy and Procedures, specifically Section 3(a)xvi, which exempts contracts involving the disbursement of grants or loans under the Community Development Block Grant Program.

Act # 12-2022, adopted June 30, 2022, by the Westchester County Board of Legislators, authorized the County to submit an Urban County Application under the Federal Community Development Block Grant, Emergency Solutions Grant, and HOME Investment Partnership Program, including a FY 2019-2023 Consolidated Plan to include the FY 2022 Action Plan, and to accept such Grants.

On June 30, 2022, the Board of Acquisition and Contract approved a resolution authorizing the County of Westchester to enter into an agreement with the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to accept a grant totaling \$4,164,264 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds.

Act # 56-2023, adopted May 4, 2023, by the Westchester County Board of Legislators, authorizes the County to submit an Urban County Application under the Federal Community Development Block Grant, Emergency Solutions Grant, and HOME Investment Programs, amending the FY 2019-2023 Consolidated Plan to include the FY 2023 Action Plan.

On May 4, 2023, the Board of Acquisition and Contract approved a resolution authorizing the County of Westchester to enter into an agreement with the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to accept a grant totaling \$4,239,544.00 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds.

I recommend approval of this agreement.

BPL/ks/je/pv
Attachment

RESOLUTION

UPON A COMMUNICATION FROM THE COMMISSIONER OF PLANNING, BE IT
HEREBY

RESOLVED, that the County of Westchester (the "County") is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with the Town of Ossining (the "Town"), pursuant to which the Town shall replace an outdated bathroom facility at Louis Engel Waterfront Park, for a term commencing on February 1, 2026, and continuing through January 31, 2027; and be it further

RESOLVED, that in return for performing said services, the County shall pay the Town an amount not-to-exceed \$272,500 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program funding, to be disbursed pursuant to an approved budget; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive or his duly authorized designee is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents and take any actions necessary to effectuate the purposes of this resolution.

Account to be
Charged/Credited

Fund	Dept	Major Program, Program & Phase	Object/	Trust	
		Or Unit	Sub Object	Account	Dollars
263	19	067X	4380	T067	\$72,500
263	19	067Y	4380	T067	\$200,000

Budget Funding Year(s)
(must match resolution) FY 2022 & 2023 Start Date February 1, 2026 End Date January 31, 2027

Funding Source Tax Dollars

State Aid

\$272,500
(must match resolution) Federal Aid \$272,500 – U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Other