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DATE: January 27, 2025

TO: Board of Acquisition and Contract

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

SUBJECT: Resolution to exempt from application of the Westchester County Procurement Policy and Procedures pursuant to Section 3(a)(xxi) thereof, the procurement of an agreement between the County of Westchester and Human Development Services of Westchester, Inc. for an Eviction/Foreclosure Prevention program

Authority is hereby requested from your Honorable Board to exempt from the application of the Westchester County Procurement Policy and Procedures (the "Policy"), pursuant to Section 3(a)(xxi) thereof, the procurement of an agreement between the County of Westchester (the "County") and Human Development Services of Westchester, Inc. (the "HDSW"), pursuant to which HDSW will provide an Eviction/Foreclosure Prevention program for the period from January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025.

Ordinarily, pursuant to Section 5(b) of the Policy, the County is required to solicit written quotations from no fewer than three persons customarily providing such services. However, HDSW has been providing residential services offering both transitional and permanent housing options to eligible individuals and families throughout Westchester County for almost 45 years. As such it is uniquely qualified to provide the Eviction/Foreclosure Prevention program for the County.

Pursuant to Section 3(a) xxi, the Procurement Policy is not applicable to any procurement for which this Honorable Board determines, by resolution passed prior to commencing such procurement, that compliance with the Policy would not be in the best interest of the County. In light of the above facts, it is proposed that the best interest of the County would be served by exempting the procurement of a contract with HDSW from the Procurement Policy.

Accordingly, a resolution to exempt the procurement of HDSW from the Policy is hereby submitted for your consideration.

I recommend approval of this exemption.

BL/tf/am/je

RESOLUTION

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

RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 3(a)xxi of the Westchester County Procurement Policy and Procedures, it is hereby determined that application of the procedural requirements contained therein, including the necessity of soliciting price quotations, is neither cost effective nor expedient, and accordingly, not in the best interests of the County in connection with the procurement of an agreement with Human Development Services of Westchester, Inc. to provide an eviction/foreclosure prevention program for a period of January 1, 2025 and continuing until December 31, 2025.

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APPROVED BOARD OF ACQUISITION & CONTRACT - 02/06/2025 - RAYMOND SCULLY, SECRETARY