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Board of Legislators

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TO: The Honorable Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: Honorable Vedat Gashi
Chairman, Westchester County Board of Legislators

SUBJECT: Authority to enter into an agreement with Elizabeth Mascia Child Care Center, Inc., pursuant to which it shall provide its child care and early childhood education after-care program, for a term commencing retroactively on January 1, 2024 and continuing through December 31, 2024, for an amount not-to-exceed \$38,000.00 pursuant to an approved budget.

Attached for your consideration is a Resolution which, if approved by your Honorable Board, would authorize the County of Westchester (the "County"), acting by and through the Westchester County Board of Legislators (the "Board"), to enter into an agreement with Elizabeth Mascia Child Care Center, Inc., (the "Contractor"), pursuant to which Contractor shall provide its child care and early childhood education after-care program (the "Program") for a term commencing retroactively on January 1, 2024 and continuing through December 31, 2024 (the "Agreement"). In consideration for all services rendered under the Agreement, the Contractor will be paid an amount not-to-exceed \$38,000.00 pursuant to an approved budget.

The purpose of the Agreement is to provide quality child care to Westchester County residents. The Program cares for children eighteen months to ten years old, which helps make a positive difference in the lives of working families by providing inclusive, accessible, community-based child care and early childhood education to Tarrytown, Sleepy Hollow and neighboring communities. The Program's goal is to help children develop self-esteem and respect for others, and recognizes uniqueness of each child and promotes that uniqueness of each child through the Program in a warm, safe and secure environment.

Children participating in the Program are provided the opportunity to work on homework and other school assignments. Participating children receive an afternoon snack and engage in small and whole group activities. The Program makes full use of the outdoor facilities, each day, weather permitting. Contractor shall provide a variety of enrichment activities in the Program, including Ga-Ga, soccer, karate, and leapsmart. Ga-Ga is a fast-paced game that is similar to dodgeball, but played with a soft foam ball. Ga-Ga not only promotes physical activity, but also is a great way for children to develop skills that can be applied to other sports. Leapsmart is a music and movement program that ranges from yoga, Zumba, and creative movement that incorporates motor planning, self-regulation, creativity, body and spatial awareness. Additionally, the Contractor provides full day services when public schools are closed or dismiss early, except on days when Contractor is also closed.

The purpose of this Agreement will serve a public purpose by providing school-aged children with youth programming designed to promote children's confidence, improve their thinking strategies and skills, and provide academic enrichment.

The Agreement is exempt from the Westchester County Procurement Policy and Procedures (the "Policy"), pursuant to Section 3 (a)(xviii) thereof, for any procurement for the purpose of entering into a contract or contracts with persons for the creation and support of recreation projects, youth service projects and other appropriate programs and services for the prevention of delinquency and youth crime and the advancement of the moral, physical, mental and social wellbeing of the youth of Westchester County.

Accordingly, authority is respectfully sought for the County of Westchester to enter into this Agreement.

VG/AR/mb
Attachment

RESOLUTION

Upon a communication from the Chairman of the Westchester County Board of Legislators, it is hereby:

RESOLVED, that authority is hereby granted to the County of Westchester (the "County") acting by and through the Westchester County Board of Legislators (the "Board"), to enter into an agreement (the "Agreement") with Elizabeth Mascia Child Care Center, Inc., (the "Contractor"), pursuant to which Contractor shall provide its child care and early childhood education after-care program (the "Program") for a term commencing retroactively on January 1, 2024 and continuing through December 31, 2024 (the "Agreement"), in an amount not to exceed \$38,000.00, payable pursuant to an approved budget; and be it further,

RESOLVED, that this Agreement is subject to County appropriations; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this Agreement is also subject to further financial analysis of the impact of any New York State Budget (the "State Budget") proposed and adopted during the term of this Agreement. The County shall retain the right, upon the occurrence of any release by the Governor of a proposed State Budget and/or the adoption of a State Budget or any amendments thereto, and for a reasonable period of time after such release(s) or adoption(s), to conduct an analysis of the impacts of any such State Budget on County finances. After such analysis, the County shall retain the right to either terminate this Agreement or to renegotiate the amounts and rates approved herein. If the County subsequently offers to pay a reduced amount to Contractor, then Contractor shall have the right to terminate this Agreement upon reasonable prior written notice; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Westchester County Board of Legislators, or his duly authorized designee, is hereby authorized to execute any documents and take such actions reasonably necessary and appropriate to effectuate the purposes of this Resolution.

Account to be Charged/Credited:

Fund	Dept	Major Program, Program & Phase Or Unit	Sub-unit	Object/ Sub-Object	Dollars
101	52	2509	0010	5100	\$38,000.00

Budget Funding Year(s) Start Date 1/1/24 End Date 12/31/24
(must match resolution)

Funding Source Tax Dollars \$38,000.00
State Aid _____
 \$38,000.00 Federal Aid _____
(must match resolution) Other _____