

County of Westchester

Board of Acquisition and Contract

Meeting Minutes

Thursday, May 8, 2025

11:00 AM

**County Executive Conference Room
Michaelian Office Building**

Roll Call

Present: Mr. Richard Wishnie, Mr. Vedat Gashi, and Mr. Lawrence C. Soule

Attendees:

Deputy Commissioner of Finance
Associate Chief Deputy County Attorney
Director of Communications
Board of Legislators
LoHud
Secretary BAC
Assistant Secretary BAC

Cesar Vargas
Tami Altschiller
Catherine Cioffi
Greg Casciato
David McKay Wilson
Raymond Sculky
Joan Cocciardi

Mr. Wishnie presided.

Mr. Wishnie said, "The Board of Acquisition and Contract permits in-person access to the meeting and virtually through Webex."

For the record, has the Secretary gone to the reception area to invite any members of the public who wish to attend today's meeting in person to come to this conference room?"

Mr. Sculky replied, "Yes I have."

Mr. Wishnie said, "I understand that the Budget Director wishes to speak."

Mr. Soule said, "The Members of the Board of Acquisition and Contract received a memorandum from the Commissioner of Parks, Recreation and Conservation for a declaration of emergency concerning Playland Park."

On April 12, 2021 the Board of Legislators adopted an Act authorizing the County of Westchester to enter into a Second Restated and Amended Playland Management Agreement with Standard Amusements LLC. The Second Restated Agreement was duly executed on or about July 22, 2021.

On January 21, 2025, the County received a Notice of Termination from Standard effective February 20, 2025, which purports to terminate the Second Restated

Agreement. On January 22, 2025 the County sent a response rejecting Standard's Notice of Termination and reciting a number of breaches on the part of Standard. On January 30, 2025, Standard sent another letter stating, *inter alia*, that its termination notice was valid, that Standard will not manage Playland in 2025, and the County's breach claims were frivolous. Thereafter on February 4, 2025 the County sent a letter to Standard's attorneys escalating the dispute to arbitration pursuant to Section 43(ii) of the Second Restated Agreement. In accordance with the Second Restated Agreement the parties have selected arbitrators and have each submitted documents in support of their claims. The arbitration hearing is scheduled to commence on August 12, 2025.

In order to open the iconic Playland Amusement Park for a portion of the 2025 operating season, the County will need to hire a company to inspect specific rides, secure all necessary supplies and parts to operate the rides, repair and thereafter maintain the rides. Standards abrupt departure leaves the County with little to no time to properly carry out all of this work. Standard left little or no spare parts in inventory, in some cases did not properly winterize rides and a number of rides were left dis-assembled.

In order to protect County property and personnel and facilitate the return to operation of the Playland Amusement Park as quickly as possible, the County is declaring an emergency situation. As an emergency, this situation could not await competitive bidding. The County Department of Parks, Recreation and Conservation has selected Zamperla, Inc. to perform the necessary emergency work, which includes inspecting, repairing, replacing and maintaining these specific rides and procuring necessary supplies and parts. Zamperla is a worldwide company that was established in 1966 and which owns and operates rides throughout the world. The County owns 11 rides that were manufactured by Zamperla and a number of other rides manufactured by a company that is no longer in business. Zamperla has the not only the familiarity with the rides and but has the expertise and ability to provide the parts and maintenance.

Based on the above, it's in the best interest of the County to enter into an agreement with Zamperla on an emergency basis as it is the most timely and fiscally efficient solution and will safeguard the County's property and secure the public safety of park attendees and staff."

Mr. Wishnie said, "I direct the Secretary to the Board of Acquisition & Contract to include the memo from the Commissioner Parks, Recreation and Conservation as part of the minutes of today's meeting."

Acquisition & Contract.

Minutes of the meeting 5/1/25 and the SEQR Review for agenda items.

R. Sculky

Mr. Wishnie moved to receive and file the foregoing minutes and SEQR review, which were duly seconded and approved.

1. [111034](#) **Board of Legislators** - Pursuant to Section 3(a)(xxi) of the Westchester County Procurement Policy and Procedures, to exempt from procurement an agreement with New Dawn Family resource Center, Inc., for the provision of counseling, legal and emergency services and financial assistance to victims of violence and abuse in Westchester County, for a term commencing retroactively on 1/1/25 - 12/31/25, for an amount not to exceed \$20,000.

V. Gashi

Mr. Wishnie moved the Resolution, which was duly seconded and unanimously approved.

2. [111035](#) **Board of Legislators** - Enter into an agreement with Westchester Children's Association, Inc., to coordinate efforts with County departments, schools, and community-based providers to improve the mental health of school-age children, for the period from 1/1/25 - 12/31/25, for an amount not to exceed \$107,000.

V. Gashi

Mr. Wishnie moved the Resolution, which was duly seconded and unanimously approved.

3. [111039](#) **Board of Legislators** - Enter into an agreement with Westchester Disabled On The Move, Inc., pursuant to which the Contractor shall provide two programs dedicated to supporting and providing services to people with disabilities living throughout Westchester County, for a term commencing retroactively on 1/1/25 - 12/31/25, for an amount not-to-exceed \$64,691.

V. Gashi

Mr. Wishnie moved the Resolution, which was duly seconded and unanimously approved.

4. [111040](#) **Board of Legislators** - Enter into an agreement with Yonkers Hispanic Cultural Foundation, Inc., pursuant to which the Contractor shall provide various programs, including its "World Start Program, a community food distribution program, educational workshops for children, and a cultural festival, for a term commencing retroactively on 1/1/25 - 12/31/25, for an amount not to exceed \$40,000.

V. Gashi

Mr. Wishnie moved the Resolution, which was duly seconded and unanimously approved.

5. [111041](#) **Board of Legislators** - Enter into an agreement with the Jewish Community Center on the Hudson, Inc. d/b/a Harold & Elaine Shames Jewish Community Center, for the provision of health and wellness and workforce developmental programs and services, and community partnerships for individuals with disabilities, for the period commencing retroactively on 1/1/25 - 12/31/25, in an amount not to exceed \$51,500.

V. Gashi

Mr. Wishnie moved the Resolution, which was duly seconded and unanimously approved.

6. [111042](#) **Board of Legislators** - Enter into an agreement with Mount Vernon Neighborhood Health Center Inc., d/b/a Westchester Community Health Center, pursuant to which the Contractor will provide community healthcare outreach services to those in need, for the period from 1/1/25 - 12/31/25, for an amount not to exceed \$55,105.

V. Gashi

Mr. Wishnie moved the Resolution, which was duly seconded and unanimously approved.

7. [111017](#) **Human Resources** - Enter into an agreement with Abigail Kirsch at Tappan Hill, Inc., pursuant to which the Contractor shall provide catering and event services, for an employee awards breakfast to be hosted by the County on October 17, 2025, for an amount not to exceed \$6,400.

L. Denig

Mr. Wishnie moved the Resolution, which was duly seconded and unanimously approved.

8. [111021](#) **Planning** - Pursuant to Section 3(a)(xxi) of the Westchester County Procurement Policy and Procedures, to exempt from procurement an agreement with HR&A Advisors, Inc.

B. Lopez

Mr. Wishnie moved the Resolution, which was duly seconded and unanimously approved.

9. [111022](#) **Planning** - Enter into an agreement with HR&A, Inc. for the provision of an implementation plan for the relaunch of the County New Homes Land Acquisition and Housing Implementation Fund affordable housing programs, for a term commencing on 5/15/25 - 5/14/26, in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.

B. Lopez

Mr. Wishnie moved the Resolution, which was duly seconded and unanimously approved.

10. [111029](#) **Planning** - Enter into an agreement with the Lifting Up Westchester, Inc. (the "LUW"), pursuant to which the LUW will create a computer lab for use by shelter residents and purchase new computers, beginning 1/1/25 - 12/31/25, for which the County shall pay LUW a not to exceed amount of \$41,844 in Emergency Solutions Grant funding.

B. Lopez

Mr. Wishnie moved the Resolution, which was duly seconded and unanimously approved.

11. [111031](#) **Planning** - Enter into an agreement with the Village of Croton-on-Hudson, pursuant to which the Village will do a playground and basketball court replacement project at Dobbs Park, for a term commencing on 6/2/25 - 6/1/26 and in consideration for performing said services, the County shall pay the Village a not to exceed amount of \$200,000 in Community Development Block Grant Program funding.

B. Lopez

Mr. Wishnie moved the Resolution, which was duly seconded and unanimously approved.

12. [111032](#) **Planning** - Enter into agreements with the Human Development Services of Westchester, Inc., to provide personal protective equipment to low/moderate income households residing in municipalities that belong to the 2020 Urban County Consortium and to staff to prevent, prepare for and respond to COVID, for a not to exceed amount of \$36,321.81 of Community Development Block Grant - COVID 19 program funding, for a term commencing on 1/1/25 - 12/31/25.

B. Lopez

Mr. Wishnie moved the Resolution, which was duly seconded and unanimously approved.

13. [111018](#) **Social Services** - Enter into a grant agreement (DSS3044-25) with the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development ("NYSDOT"), and thereby accept a grant, for the period from 3/1/25 - 2/28/26, in an amount not-to-exceed \$665,247, being made available to the County to pay for a 'Continuum of Care' program concerning 'Coordinated Entry' data (the "Grant Agreement"; NY1050L2T042409).

L. Townes

Mr. Wishnie moved the Resolution, which was duly seconded and unanimously approved.

14. [111033](#) **Social Services** - Enter into an agreement (DSS3039-25) with Greater Mental Health of New York, Inc. to operate the Single Homeless Assessment Center at Grasslands ("SHAC"), to provide comprehensive assessments, and coordinated plans for treatment, housing and employment for homeless single adults, and mobile clinician services to provide clients utilizing drop-in shelters with assessments and referrals for the period from 4/1/25 - 3/31/26, for an amount not to exceed \$627,988, is hereby amended by decreasing the not to exceed amount by \$113,903, to a new total not to exceed amount of \$514,085.

L. Townes

Mr. Wishnie moved the Resolution, which was duly seconded and unanimously approved.

15. [111036](#) **Social Services** - Enter into Agreement No. DSS3043-25 with Environmental Tech Solutions LLC ("ETS"), pursuant to which ETS will provide housing quality standards inspections and lead-based paint inspections and risk assessments for properties that currently participate in the County's 'Emergency Housing Assistance Program', for the period from 1/1/25 - 12/31/25, for an amount not-to-exceed \$50,500, with the County having the option, in its sole discretion, to extend the term for up to three (3) additional one (1) year periods, on the same terms as the Initial Term, except for the unit costs for the Services, and that each Option Term shall have a not-to-exceed amount of \$50,500.

L. Townes

Mr. Wishnie moved the Resolution, which was duly seconded and unanimously approved.

16. [111010](#) **Community Mental Health** - Amend an agreement with Coordinated Care Services, Inc. ("CCSI"), pursuant to which CCSI was to provide assistance to the County with the creation and implementation of a 'Comprehensive Prior Approval Review' (PAR) application process and securing an 'Article 31' license for a 'Mental Health Outpatient Treatment and Rehabilitative Services' (MHOTRS) program for the purpose of operating a pilot safety net outpatient clinic for individuals diagnosed with mental illness or emotional disturbance, for the period from 12/1/23 - 11/30/24, for an amount not-to-exceed \$90,000, by extending its term by one (1) year, to a new expiration date of 11/30/25.

M. Orth

Mr. Wishnie moved the Resolution, which was duly seconded and unanimously approved.

17. [111013](#) **Community Mental Health** - Amend an agreement with The Guidance Center of Westchester, Inc., which the County entered into pursuant to Articles 25 and 41 of the New York State Mental Hygiene Law, and pursuant to which TGC was to provide certain community mental health services, for the period from 1/1/22 - 12/31/26, for an amount not-to-exceed \$19,300,343, by, **a.)** modifying its scope of services, in order to add additional community mental health services, for the period 1/1/23 - 12/31/26, **b.)** increasing its not-to-exceed amount by \$830,183, from an amount not-to-exceed \$19,300,343, to a new total not-to-exceed amount of \$20,130,526, in order to pay for the Additional Services, and **c.)** modifying its budget in order to allocate the additional funds that will be used to pay for the Additional Services.

M. Orth

Mr. Wishnie moved the Resolution, which was duly seconded and unanimously approved.

18. [111020](#) **Health** - Amend a contract with the New York State Department of Health to accept continued funding for STD Testing in Safety Net Populations Infertility Prevention / Sentinel Surveillance Project ("IPP") Program Grant, for the extension period commencing from 2/1/25 - 2/28/26, in the amount not-to-exceed \$35,749, for a total revised amount not-to-exceed \$236,493.

S. Amler

Mr. Wishnie moved the Resolution, which was duly seconded and unanimously approved.

19. [111084](#) **Parks** - Enter into an agreement with Zamperla, Inc., to perform emergency work, which includes inspecting, repairing, replacing and maintaining certain rides at Playland Park and procuring necessary supplies and parts retroactive to 4/15/25 - 9/5/25, for an amount not to exceed \$1,506,639.48 for ride restoration, maintenance and support, parts, overhead and contingency, plus a County option for additional operations support services, in an amount not to exceed \$228,390, for a total aggregate amount not to exceed \$1,735,029.48.

K. O'Connor

Mr. Wishnie moved the Resolution, which was duly seconded and unanimously approved.

20. [110952](#) **Public Safety** - Enter into a grant disbursement agreement with the Division of Criminal Justice Services of the State of New York, pursuant to which the County will accept a grant in an amount not-to-exceed \$62,975, under the Gun Involved Violence Elimination Initiative program to be used for personnel costs for partially funding overtime Field Enforcement (Hot-Spot Policing) and a Field Intelligence Officer, and for partially funding Field Intelligence Officer Fringe Benefits costs, for a term commencing retroactively on 7/1/24 - 6/30/25.

T. Raynor

Mr. Wishnie moved the Resolution, which was duly seconded and unanimously approved.

21. [110984](#) **Public Safety** - Amend an agreement with the Westchester Coalition for Legal Abortion - Choice Matters, Inc. ("Choice Matters"), pursuant to which Choice Matters, through its Center for Analysis and Tracking of Clinic Harassers, agreed to provide a training program entitled "Understanding & Enforcing Clinic Access Laws", to educate County and other local law enforcement agencies about existing federal, state and County laws designed to ensure safety in and around reproductive health facilities, for a term commencing retroactive to 1/1/24 - 12/31/24, for an amount not-to-exceed \$30,000, with the County reserving an option to renew the agreement for up to two (2) additional periods of one (1) year each to enable Choice Matters to provide additional training Services to local law enforcement agencies, for a lump sum amount not-to-exceed \$32,500 per Renewal Option, in order to exercise the first of its two Renewal Options and thereby extend the term of the agreement for an additional one (1) year period commencing retroactive to 1/1/25 - 12/31/25.

T. Raynor

Mr. Wishnie moved the Resolution, which was duly seconded and unanimously approved.

22. [111011](#) **Public Safety** - Enter into an agreement with AllPaid, Inc., pursuant to which AllPaid will offer its remote pay system to those individuals who wish to pay, via debit or credit card, fines or fees issued by the Westchester County Taxi & Limousine Commission, or pre-arraignment bail for criminal arrests set by any local court for the benefit of WCDPS, or payments of civil judgments entered by any local court for the benefit of WCDPS, as well as payments for law enforcement personnel attending classes at the Police Academy, for a term of five (5) years commencing retroactive to 4/1/24 - 3/31/29 and that the credit card or debit card holder will be solely responsible to pay for all fees concerning the transactions directly to AllPaid.

T. Raynor

Mr. Wishnie moved the Resolution, which was duly seconded and unanimously approved.

23. [111025](#) **DPW/Transportation** - Amend Agreement No. DOTOP04-17 with the New York City Transit Authority (the "NYCTA") regarding the County's use of the NYCTA's MetroCard and MetroCard Automated Fare Collection System, for the purposes of fare collection on the County's Bee-Line bus routes, as well as the County's receipt of ancillary services provided by the NYCTA in support of such fare collection, for a period commencing upon execution and continuing through 6/30/23, or the earlier of completion of final reconciliation and payments, with the NYCTA reserving the right to shut off MetroCard System operations and fare collection based on the MetroCard on 12/31/22, while reconciliation and payments would then still continue through 6/30/23, or earlier as needed, by, **(a.)** adding provisions concerning the transition to the NYCTA's 'New Fare Payment System', known as 'OMNY', **(b.)** extending its term through 12/31/25, with the NYCTA having the sole right to extend the term by up to twelve (12) additional months beyond the new expiration date, and **(c.)** adding a provision restricting assignment of the agreement, all as shown in the draft amendment in Exhibit 1, which is listed hereto.

H. Greechan

Mr. Wishnie moved the Resolution, which was duly seconded and unanimously approved.

24. [110991](#) **DPW/Transportation** - Amend a 11/27/24 Resolution to Award Contract No. WCA-24002-Rev., for Line Striping and Runway Rubber Removal, Westchester County Airport, to Safety Marking, Inc., is hereby amended in order to reflect the correct company name as follows: Safety Marking LLC.

H. Greechan

Mr. Wishnie moved the Resolution, which was duly seconded and unanimously approved.

25. [111024](#) **DPW/Transportation** - Amend Agreement No. 18-928 with Lothrop Associates Architects D.P.C., White Plains, NY, be further amended to provide for additional architectural and engineering services associated with Westchester County Parking Garage Rehabilitation, White Plains Complex, White Plains, New York. The Consultant shall provide additional design services associated with Phase II of this project, for a fee of \$2,198,920.60, increasing the total maximum fee to \$4,840,508.60. Approval of Greenman-Pedersen, Inc. ("GPI"), Suffern, NY, that the completion date of the agreement shall be extended to 12/31/30.

H. Greechan

Mr. Wishnie moved the Resolution, which was duly seconded and unanimously approved.

26. [111026](#) **DPW/Transportation** - Contract No. 23-504 for Rehabilitation of Alexander Street and Irvington Pumping Stations, North Yonkers Sanitary Sewer District, City of Yonkers and Village of Irvington, New York. Advertise for bids.

H. Greechan

Mr. Wishnie moved the Resolution, which was duly seconded and unanimously approved.

27. [111027](#) **DPW/Transportation** - Contract No. 24-525 for Shoreline Restoration, Ossining Water Resource Recovery Facility, Ossining, New York. Advertise for bids.

H. Greechan

Mr. Wishnie moved the Resolution, which was duly seconded and unanimously approved.

28. [111028](#) **DPW/Transportation** - Contract No. 22-515 for Resurfacing and Related Improvements to Westchester Avenue, C.R. #112 From Bowman Avenue to Oak Street, A Distance of 0.60 Miles, Village of Port Chester, New York. Advertise for bids.

H. Greechan

Mr. Wishnie moved the Resolution, which was duly seconded and unanimously approved.

There being no further business, the Chair declared the meeting adjourned. All approved resolutions are on file electronically with the Board of Acquisition and Contract.

I have reviewed the foregoing minutes and have found them to be correct as written.

Signed: *Raymond Sculky*, Secretary

Dated: 05/08/2025