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DEPARTMENT of PUBLIC WORKS

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December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2025

Honorable City Council  
The City of Mount Vernon  
Mount Vernon, New York  
*(Through the Office of the Mayor)*

**Re: Authorization for the Mayor to Accept the NYS Environmental Facilities Corporation Green Resiliency Grant (GRG) – Project No. C3-5694-02-00 | Grant No. 2344 – Brush Park Green Infrastructure (Award up to \$4,400,000)**

Dear Honorable City Council Members:

The Department of Public Works respectfully submits this request for the City Council to authorize Mayor Shawyn Patterson-Howard to accept a Green Resiliency Grant awarded to the City of Mount Vernon by the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation. As detailed in the attached award letter, the City has been approved for an amount not to exceed \$4.4 million to support green infrastructure improvements at Brush Park.

This award provides a significant opportunity to address persistent drainage and flooding issues within the park and the surrounding neighborhood. The project will incorporate porous pavement, bioretention features, and other stormwater management practices that will enhance water quality in the Hutchinson River and strengthen the City's overall resiliency efforts. Brush Park serves as a central recreational space for residents, and these improvements will contribute to long-term environmental and public health benefits.

To move forward, the City must formally accept the award and execute a Grant Agreement with EFC. The State has set a deadline of December 31, 2026 for finalizing the agreement to maintain eligibility.

Upon Council approval, the Department of Revenue/Office of the Comptroller will be required to establish a dedicated capital project code for the accounting and administration of this grant. This capital line will be used to properly record the receipt of funds and track all associated expenditures in accordance with City financial procedures and State reporting requirements. Establishing this code will ensure accurate accounting, full compliance with EFC guidelines, and clear documentation of all project-related financial activity.

Thank you for your consideration of this request. Please feel free to contact my office if further information is needed.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Damani L. Bush', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

**Damani L. Bush**  
Commissioner of Public Works  
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