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Honorable City Council Members
Of the City of Mount Vernon
City Hall, Mount Vernon, New York
(Through the Office of the Mayor)

Re: Declaring an Emergency Situation –City Hall Second Floor City Council Room H.V.A.C. Replacement

Dear Honorable City Council Members:

I respectfully request that an emergency be declared at the above referenced location due to on-going “Building Climate Control Systems” deterioration and components approaching “End-of -Life” stages. Some of these components originally installed decades ago from the 50’s-80’s are now adversely inefficient based on today’s operational and performance standards and are still laboring on despite having reached the end of their expected service life.

In addition to the “unpredictable performance” that the existing units exhibit, the current state of the technology involved with H.V.A.C. units and indoor climate control has advanced in “leaps & bounds” since the installation of the current existing units. These advancements alone would constitute replacement of the existing units, even if the existing units were operating at their peak performance.

A very uncomfortable and health threatening situation is currently developing in the 2nd floor city council room where the (2) 5-ton rooftop units that provide cooling to that area are now both inoperable. It has been over (5) years since the 1st unit reached the end of its service life and ceased to function. During recent roof repair work being performed throughout the City Hall roof area it was observed that the remaining (5) ton unit that serviced the City Council Room was only sporadically working and its performance at best was unpredictable. Additional observation of the unit confirmed that this remaining unit, like many of the accessory and peripheral components of this H.V.A.C. system, were on their “last leg”.

Recently during an attempt to activate the system due to increased temperatures with the onset of summer 2024, the remaining unit was found to be completely inoperable. This would result in no cooling or air-flow circulation within the Council room, which would negatively affect any activities or meetings being held within the space.

At that time, we began to solicit H.V.A.C. contractors for the purpose of mitigating the situation and avoiding the adverse interior environment that would develop. The Dept of Public Works has solicited H.V.A.C. replacement proposals from (3) qualified Mechanical contractor’s which were familiarized with the scope of work and made available to them all pertinent and influential information necessary to develop an adequate repair / replacement plan and present a comprehensive proposal detailing the necessary procedures required to accomplish it.

The (3) companies that exhibited the most understanding and competence in relation to the required tasks, and presented amicable and similar solutions are indicated here along with their associated proposal cost:

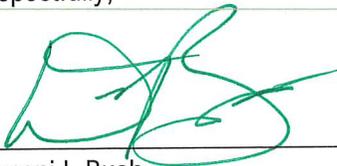
Metropolis HVAC Contractor's of Yonkers, NY.....	\$ 87,000. (Eighty-Seven Thousand dollars)
Air Source Mechanical, Inc of Mount Vernon, NY.....	\$ 68,358. (Sixty-Eight Thousand, Three-Hundred Fifty-Eight)
AMHAC Corporation of Eastchester, NY.....	\$ 47,846. (Forty-Seven Thousand, Eight-Hundred Forty-Six)

After thorough examination of the three proposals, all which proposed identical solutions that met or exceeded the requirements, it was determined that **AMHAC CORPORATION of Eastchester, NY** should be engaged and tasked to provide the materials and labor to perform the necessary repairs / replacement of the H.V.A.C. SYSTEM servicing the City Hall 2nd Floor City Council Room. It should also be noted that the approved replacement equipment for this area now features and provides efficient Heating capabilities in addition to computer enhanced advanced cooling and control capabilities.

This interior environment issue is extremely concerning and hazardous to the health and comfort to anyone utilizing the Council Room during the warmer weather months. We are respectfully requesting that this repair / replacement work be performed *“As soon as possible to avoid having to suspend use of the space during the Warm Weather months.”*

Funding for this acquisition is available via:
“City Owned Property Capital Projects Covid & Operational Compliance” H1620.203C930
If this meets with the approval of your Honorable Body, please kindly have the necessary legislation enacted.

Respectfully,



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Commissioner of Public Works
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Attachments:

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