

City of Mount Vernon, New York

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Referral Packet - Final

Wednesday, October 23, 2024

7:00 PM

**CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
CITY HALL**

City Council

*NICOLE J. BONILLA, M.B.A.
Deputy City Clerk*

**A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY OF THE MOUNT VERNON CITY COUNCIL
HELD ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2024
Scheduled for 7:00 pm in the City Council Chambers, City Hall, Mount Vernon, New York.**

**** This meeting was held in the City Council Chambers, with virtual participation via ZOOM and CMVNY Facebook. The meeting was not closed to the public.****

PRESIDING: Cathlin B. Gleason, President

OTHERS: Nicole J. Bonilla, Deputy City Clerk; Antoinette Anderson, Legislative Aide; Johan Powell, Deputy Corporation Counsel.

CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council President Cathlin B. Gleason called the meeting to order and provided general house-keeping rules, including encouraging citizens to share the meeting on social media and what to do “in case of emergency”. Council President Gleason explained the 3-minute-plus-1 public comment rule. She then asked a Councilperson to lead the council in the Pledge of Allegiance. Council President then proceeded to the Public Speakers session of the evening (listed below as public comment).

PUBLIC COMMENT

REFERRAL SESSION

Roll Call administered by Deputy City Clerk Nicole J. Bonilla

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES AND ACTION THEREON

To the Council:

LEGISLATION AND PUBLIC WORKS

1. Office of the Mayor: An Ordinance Authorizing the Chief of Staff to Attend the National League of Cities Annual Summit in Tampa, Florida from November 13 - 16, 2024

Code: LPW

Attachments: [Referral Letter - Strong Cities Network Prevention Academy.pdf](#)
[Prevention Academy - A Strong Cities-NLC TVTP FY2024 Proposal Concept Note \(1\).pdf](#)

2. Department of Public Works: An Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor to Accept Funding from the Urban Renewal Agency (URA) in the Community Development Block Grant Funds and Authorizing the Department of Public Works to Purchase and Install a Prefabricated Restroom and Storage Structure at Memorial Field Stadium

Code: LPW

Attachments: [Request for Approval to Purchase Prefabricated Restroom.pdf](#)

3. Department of Public Works: An Ordinance Authorizing the Amendment of Ordinance No. 9, Adopted by the City Council on September 25, 2024, Entitled "An Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor to Retroactively Enter Into an Emergency Contractual Agreement with PCI Industries, Inc. for Emergency Sewer Repairs at 27 Vernon Place"

Code: LPW

Attachments: [Amendment - Item #9 September 25 2024 Agenda.pdf](#)

4. Department of Public Works: An Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor to Retroactively Enter into an Emergency Sewer Rehabilitation Contractual Agreement with PCI Industries, Inc. for the Repair of Stormwater and Sanitary Sewer Systems at the Intersection of 13th Avenue and 3rd Street

Code: LPW

Attachments: [Emergency Sewer Rehabilitation – 13th Avenue and 3rd Street Intersection.pdf](#)

To the Council:

HUMAN RESOURCES

5. Department of Recreation: An Ordinance Authorizing the Department of Recreation to Sponsor the Annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony and Temporarily Closing Designated Streets for the Event

Code: HR

Attachments: [Document.pdf](#)
[PD Response.pdf](#)
[DPW Response Annual Tree Lighting.pdf](#)

6. Youth Bureau: An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 29, Adopted by the City Council on September 13, 2023, Entitled "An Ordinance Requesting Permission for the Mayor to Enter into an Agreement with the Westchester-Putnam Workforce Development Board (WPWDB)"

Code: HR

Attachments: [Extended WDAY \\$92,670 Referral Letter .pdf](#)
[Approved Ordinance 20240918_150736.pdf](#)

7. Youth Bureau: An Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor to Accept Funds from the Opioid Settlement Fund for the State Fiscal Year 2025 to be Administered by the Mount Vernon Youth Bureau for Opioid Misuse Prevention Initiatives

Code: HR

Attachments: [Opioid Settlement \\$10053k .docx referral.pdf](#)
[Award Letter .pdf](#)
[Supporting Document.pdf](#)

To the Council:

PUBLIC SAFETY AND CODES

8. Department of Public Safety: An Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor to Renew a Contract Agreement with the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets for Fuel Inspection Services

Code: PSC

Attachments: [AMENDED - NYS Agriculture and Markets Contract Referral Letter](#)
[2019 Legislation Agriculture Agreement](#)

9. Department of Public Safety: An Ordinance Authorizing One (1) Member of Service to attend the FBI-LEEDA Internal Affairs Investigation Training (November 11 - 15, 2024)

Code: PSC

Attachments: [FBI LEEDA Internal Affairs Course](#)

10. City Council: A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Mount Vernon, New York Honoring and Recognizing the Retirement of Firefighter John DelGuercio

Code: PSC

11. City Council: A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Mount Vernon, New York Honoring and Recognizing the Retirement of Fire Lieutenant Gerald Johnson III

Code: PSC

To the Council:**FINANCE AND PLANNING**

12. Department of Assessment: An Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor to Execute an Application for a Correction for the Tax Years 2023 and 2024 for City, County and School Tax Bills and Directing the Comptroller to Issue a Refund/Credit to Metro Green Realty of Westchester, LLC / 0 Oak Street (Block 164.68-1055-19) Due to a Correction of Error

Code: FP

Attachments: [City Council letter -Metro Green.pdf](#)

13. Office of the Comptroller: An Ordinance Authorizing the Issuance of Tax Anticipation Notes (TANS) in the Aggregate Principal Amount of up to \$7,000,000 to Meet the Financial Obligations of the City

Code: FP

Attachments: [COMP2024-14 – Request for Authorization to issue Tax Anticipation Notes \(TANS\).pdf](#)

OTHER BUSINESS/CLOSING COMMENTS



City of Mount Vernon, New York

Staff Report

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File #: TMP -978

Agenda Date: 10/23/2024

Agenda #: 1.

City Council:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF OF STAFF TO ATTEND THE NATIONAL LEAGUE OF CITIES ANNUAL SUMMIT IN TAMPA, FLORIDA FROM NOVEMBER 13 - 16, 2024

Whereas, by letter dated October 23, 2024, the Mayor has requested legislation authorizing the Chief of Staff to attend the National League of Cities Annual Summit in Tampa, Florida, from November 13 to November 16, 2024. Attendance at this conference will provide valuable insights and opportunities to enhance the City's development and governance strategies; and

Whereas, the National League of Cities (NLC) Annual Summit will be held in Tampa, Florida, from November 13 - 16, 2024; and

Whereas, the National League of Cities Summit provides a valuable opportunity for city leaders to network, share best practices, and collaborate on initiatives that promote sustainable urban growth and improve municipal services; and

Whereas, the City of Mount Vernon is a member of the Strong Cities Network, which will sponsor the trip, covering all associated expenses, including transportation, accommodation, and incidentals for the Chief of Staff; and

Whereas, attending the National League of Cities Annual Summit will benefit the City of Mount Vernon by enhancing the Chief of Staff's ability to implement programs, policies, and initiatives that support the City's growth and development, **Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved That**

The City of Mount Vernon, in City Council convened, does hereby ordain and enact:

Section 1. Authorization to Attend Conference. The City of Mount Vernon's Chief of Staff is authorized to attend the National League of Cities Annual Summit in Tampa, Florida, from November 13 to November 16, 2024. Attendance at this conference will provide valuable insights and opportunities to enhance the City's development and governance strategies.

Section 2. Expenses Covered by the Strong Cities Network. All costs associated with the Chief of Staff's participation, including transportation, lodging, and incidentals, shall be fully covered by the Strong Cities Network. No City funds will be expended for this trip.

Section 3. Reporting Requirement. Upon return, the Chief of Staff shall submit a report to the City Council summarizing key takeaways and strategies learned from the conference, along with any recommendations that may benefit the City of Mount Vernon.

Section 4. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its passage and adoption by the City Council.



CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, N.Y.

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MALCOLM CLARK
Chief of Staff

KHENDRA DAVID
Deputy Chief of Staff

October 16, 2024

Honorable Members of the City Council
City of Mount Vernon
One Roosevelt Square
Mount Vernon, New York 10550

Dear Honorable Council members,

This letter comes as a request to the City Council for the enactment of legislation authorizing the Chief of Staff to attend the “National League of Cities Annual Summit” in Tampa Florida on May November 13 – 16th.

The entire trip including transportation, incidentals, and hotel costs will be covered by the Strong Cities Network. Please see the attached document and link for more information about the National League of Cities and Strong Cities Network.

Please see the National League of Cities website for more information:
[Home Page - NLC City Summit: Tampa Bay, FL Nov 13-16, 2024](#)

Please see the Strong Cities Network website for more information:
[Strong Cities Network](#)

In Service,

Shawyn Patterson-Howard, MPA
Mayor

DHS TVTP FY2024 Grant Proposal

Prevention Academy: Training City Leaders and Officials on Addressing Hate, Extremism, and Polarization

The Challenge

Mayors and other local elected leaders around the country are increasingly concerned about the impact that hate, extremism, and related threats are having on community safety and cohesion in their cities. These leaders recognize that due to their immediate proximity to these incidents and their deeper, more nuanced understanding of affected communities, they have an important role to play alongside federal and state counterparts in both prevention and incident response. However, many feel they lack the tools necessary to assume this role, which may vary depending on the context.

The Proposal

The DHS Center for Prevention Programs and Partnerships (CP3) issued a call for proposals for the FY24 [Targeted Violence and Terrorism Prevention \(TVTP\) grants program](#), with a submission date of May 17.

Strong Cities and the National League of Cities (NLC) – who recently announced a [strategic partnership](#) – propose a “Prevention Academy” for mayors and other local elected officials, as well as senior city officials, to help them 1) better understand and identify the threats, needs and vulnerabilities in their cities as they relate to hate, extremism, and related threats; 2) appreciate the benefits of a [public health approach](#) to prevention and the essential role they play in operationalizing and sustaining it; and 3) understand how to apply such an approach in their cities, including through the development of whole-of-city approaches to prevent targeted violence and terrorism that are driven by the needs and priorities of local communities. The academy will impart to cities how to best leverage a) tools and approaches developed and/or delivered by other TVTP grantees, b) promising practices from across the Strong Cities’ 235+ members, and c) violence prevention and other public safety improvement efforts from across the NLC programming and membership. Attention will also be given to ensuring that hate/extremism prevention approaches are aligned with, and in some cases embedded into, broader existing safety and violence prevention efforts.

The Academy would include both on-line and in-person elements. It would consist of a series of 10 learning modules delivered over the course of 10 months, complete with technical support to advance the city’s work in operationalizing a comprehensive approach to addressing hate and extremism. Such technical support can include standing biweekly “office hours” to assist cities with issues related to hate and extremism as they arise and/or assist with longer-term efforts to develop comprehensive approaches.

Over the cycle of the grant, Strong Cities would run two rounds of the Academy (up to 15 per session). Strong Cities and NLC would work to ensure that the process of identifying these cities and the participating officials reflects diversity, equity, and inclusion principles. Each session would include two in-person workshops, at the beginning and end of the cycle, where the participation of mayors (or their deputies) and other local elected leaders would be expected. The workshops would take place in or on the margins of already planned events where mayors and other local elected officials would be attending. For example:

- NLC City Summit in Tampa, FL (November 2024) & Salt Lake City, UT (November 2025)
- Strong Cities North America annual mayoral retreat in Pittsburgh, PA (August 2024 and 2025)

In between the two in-person roundtables, city leaders would complete eight modules, which will be delivered virtually on multiple occasions to accommodate the different schedules of the participating cities. Together with the in-person workshops, the project modules would address the following topics:

1. Local leadership in prevention: the role of mayors and other local elected leaders in prevention
2. Understanding the on- and off-line hate/extremism landscape (data collection, monitoring, etc.)
3. Federal, state, and local government action in prevention and how cities can take the lead in a public health approach to prevention
4. The role of communities, community-based organizations, and law enforcement in prevention
5. How to identify potential stakeholders in city-led prevention and build a multi-disciplinary prevention team
6. Community engagement models, including with faith and historically marginalized communities
7. Referral mechanisms, behavioral threat assessment and management, and ongoing provision of psychosocial and other support
8. Rehabilitating and reintegrating former extremists/offenders
9. Sustaining city-led prevention efforts, with a focus on monitoring, evaluation & learning and building city-level public-private partnerships for prevention
10. Crisis communications and post-incident response and recovery, with a particular focus on the role of mayors and other local elected officials

Throughout the course, participating cities would be able to access the Strong Cities “help desk” and resources, including its members and pool of subject matter experts, for support in the application of the knowledge being shared during the course. Outside of the two in-person convenings, each city can expect a total commitment of about 2 hours per month (by the relevant official of the city’s choice) to attend the trainings and attendant exercises, with the option to commit more time to leverage the “help desk” to assist in any ongoing developments or initiatives.

Partner Contributions

In addition to the Strong Cities team, former Pittsburgh mayor [Bill Peduto](#) and current mayor of Highland Park, IL Nancy Rotering will serve senior mayoral advisors. Both led their cities through the aftermath of horrific attacks – at the Tree of Life synagogue in October 2018 and an Independence Day Parade in July 2022 – to develop response, recovery, and a long-term prevention infrastructure. Together, they will lead project engagement with mayors and other local elected officials. Strong Cities will also leverage its growing SME pool – including current and former city officials – who serve as external consultants to contribute to the development and delivery modules based on the areas of their expertise. Finally, Strong Cities will leverage the experiences of cities across its 235+ member network and the tools it has developed to support city-led prevention efforts, tools which will be tailored for the US context.

The NLC is serving as a key partner alongside Strong Cities in this effort. Building on key networks like the [Mayoral Network on Community Safety and Violence Prevention](#) and other peer learning groups/cohorts of local elected officials, NLC would lead on the formation of the session cohorts, identifying (in partnership with Strong Cities) the cities (and from those the elected and staff leadership) to target for participation. NLC will also support the ongoing management of and communications with each cohort, identifying speakers, especially city representatives, for the in-person and online training, and as the primary host for the cohort at each NLC City Summit.



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File #: TMP -958

Agenda Date: 10/23/2024

Agenda #: 2.

City Council:

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO
ACCEPT FUNDING FROM THE URBAN RENEWAL
AGENCY (URA) IN THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
BLOCK GRANT FUNDS AND AUTHORIZING THE
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TO PURCHASE
AND INSTALL A PREFABRICATED RESTROOM AND
STORAGE STRUCTURE AT MEMORIAL FIELD STADIUM**

Whereas, by letter dated October 3, 2024, the Commissioner of the Department of Public Works has requested legislation authorizing the Mayor to receive an award in the amount of \$550,000.00 from the Urban Renewal Agency (URA) in Community Development Block Grant funds to cover the cost and fully install a prefabricated restroom and storage structure adjacent to the tennis courts at Memorial Field Stadium. The total project cost shall not exceed \$550,000.00; and

Whereas, the Department of Public Works has identified a critical need for a restroom and storage facility adjacent to the tennis courts at Memorial Field Stadium to provide convenient, ADA-compliant restroom facilities for visitors, especially for those with mobility challenges; and

Whereas, the current restroom facilities are located over 100 yards away from the tennis courts, on the opposite side of the stadium, and are often inaccessible when the stadium is closed; and

Whereas, the Recreation Department has secured \$550,000.00 in funding from the Urban Renewal Agency (URA) in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds to cover the cost of this project fully; and

Whereas, the Department of Public Works has sourced a prefabricated restroom and storage structure from the Public Restroom Company through Sourcewell and intends to purchase and install the structure to enhance the quality of amenities provided to the public; and

Whereas, the structure will include restroom facilities compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and essential storage space for sports equipment, providing dual functionality and addressing the community's need for secure, convenient storage on-site; **Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved That**

The City of Mount Vernon, in City Council convened, does hereby ordain and enact:

Section 1. Definitions:

- **“ADA Compliance”** refers to adhering to the Americans with Disabilities Act, which ensures that public facilities are accessible to individuals with disabilities.
- **“Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)”** Federal funds provided by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) aimed at community

development, particularly for low- and moderate-income areas.

- **“Prefabricated Restroom and Storage Structure”** is a factory-built facility delivered to the project site, including public restrooms and storage space.
- **“Turnkey Installation”** is a comprehensive installation service that includes all aspects required to install and operationalize a facility fully.
- **“Urban Renewal Agency (URA)”** An agency that administers community development funds and initiatives to improve infrastructure, facilities, and public spaces.

Section 2. Authorization to Received Award and Purchase and Install. The City Council hereby authorizes the Mayor to receive an award in the amount of \$550,000.00 from the Urban Renewal Agency (URA) in Community Development Block Grant funds to cover the cost and fully install a prefabricated restroom and storage structure adjacent to the tennis courts at Memorial Field Stadium, which includes the following expenditures:

1. **Prefabricated Restroom Building** - \$389,895.00
2. **Turnkey Installation of the Building** - \$ 39,633.00
3. **Subgrade Pad (Foundation)** - \$120,000.00

The exact allocation for the subgrade pad will be finalized upon completion of the design phase and the contractor bidding process.

Section 3. Funding. The City of Mount Vernon shall accept a **\$550,000.00** award from the Community Development Block Grant funds through the Urban Renewal Agency to fully cover the costs of this project.

No additional funds from the city’s general budget will be required for this project, as the CDBG award will cover the entire expenditure.

Section 4. Procurement Process. The Department of Public Works shall utilize **Sourcewell** procurement to purchase the prefabricated restroom and storage structure, as Sourcewell contracts meet competitive bidding requirements and provide access to high-quality vendors such as the Public Restroom Company.

Section 5. Project Implementation and Oversight. The Department of Public Works oversees the implementation and installation of the restroom and storage structure. This includes coordinating with contractors, ensuring compliance with ADA requirements, and completing all necessary site preparations.

Section 6. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval by the Board of Estimate & Contract.



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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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October 3, 2024

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

Re: Request for Approval to Purchase a Prefabricated Restroom Building and Storage Facility for the Memorial Stadium Tennis Courts through Sourcewell

Dear Honorable City Council Members:

The Department of Public Works respectfully submits this referral requesting approval from the City Council to purchase and install a subgrade pad (foundation), a prefabricated restroom and storage structure from the Public Restroom Company through Sourcewell, and permission for the Recreation Department to receive an award in the amount of \$550,000.00 from the Urban Renewal Agency (URA) in Community Development Block Grant funds to fully cover the cost. It will be paid directly by URA to the Public Restroom Company.

The installation of the prefabricated restroom structure will be adjacent to the tennis courts at Memorial Field Stadium. The structure will primarily serve visitors who use the tennis courts, ensuring compliance with ADA requirements. Currently, restroom facilities are located on the opposite end of the stadium, over 100 yards away, posing a challenge for individuals, particularly those with mobility issues. Additionally, when the stadium is closed, there are no accessible restroom options available for users of the tennis courts or their spectators.

This purchase is essential to providing the public with the basic amenities a facility of such should have. The installation of this prefabricated restroom will provide:

1. **Improved Accessibility:** The restroom will ensure convenience for all users of the tennis courts, particularly benefiting individuals with mobility challenges.
2. **Dual Functionality:** In addition to restroom facilities, the structure will include essential storage space for sports equipment and supplies, addressing the need for secure storage on-site.

“The Jewel of Westchester”



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The total expenditure for this project shall not exceed \$550,000.00, which includes the cost of the prefabricated building, turnkey installation of the building, and the installation of the foundation pad. The exact allocation for the subgrade pad will be determined upon final design and contractor bids.

Project Budget	
Service	Amount
Prefabricated Restroom Building delivered to site	\$389,895.00
Turnkey Installation of the Building above	\$39,633.00
Subgrade Pad	\$120,000.00
Total Cost: \$549,528	

In closing, this project represents a significant investment in the quality of life for Mount Vernon residents and visitors by enhancing accessibility, convenience, and recreational opportunities at Memorial Field Stadium. The proposed prefabricated restroom and storage facility will address long-standing concerns, particularly the need for ADA-compliant restrooms and equipment storage near the tennis courts. With the support of the Recreation Department and the funding secured through the Community Development Block Grant, we are confident that this project will positively impact our community and serve the needs of current and future users of this valuable public space.

Respectfully,

Damani L. Bush
Commissioner of Public Works
DLB/sb

Cc: Mayor's Office
Comptroller's Office
Clerk's Office

Planning Department
Urban Renewal Agency
Recreation Department

Engineering Department

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File #: TMP -961

Agenda Date: 10/23/2024

Agenda #: 3.

City Council:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT FUNDING FROM THE URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY (URA) IN THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS AND AUTHORIZING THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TO PURCHASE AND INSTALL A PREFABRICATED RESTROOM AND STORAGE STRUCTURE AT MEMORIAL FIELD STADIUM

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Section 3. Funding. The City of Mount Vernon shall accept a **\$550,000.00** award from the Community Development Block Grant funds through the Urban Renewal Agency to fully cover the costs of this project.

No additional funds from the city’s general budget will be required for this project, as the CDBG award will cover the entire expenditure.

Section 4. Procurement Process. The Department of Public Works shall utilize **Sourcewell** procurement to purchase the prefabricated restroom and storage structure, as Sourcewell contracts meet competitive bidding requirements and provide access to high-quality vendors such as the Public Restroom Company.

Section 5. Project Implementation and Oversight. The Department of Public Works oversees the implementation and installation of the restroom and storage structure. This includes coordinating with contractors, ensuring compliance with ADA requirements, and completing all necessary site preparations.

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**REVISION
AMENDMENT
City Council Agenda – September 25, 2024
Item #9**

October 8, 2024

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

Re: Emergency Sewer Rehabilitation – Grandview Avenue and Vernon Place

Dear Honorable City Council Members,

Please see the following changes to the funding budget account codes:

FUNDING

The total associated costs for this rehabilitation are **\$89,860.79**
Funding for this emergency repair is available via WQIP

- [H8120.203.C934] H8120.203.C937 (Sanitary Sewer)
- [H8140.203.C935] H8140.203.C938 (Stormwater)

Respectfully,



Damani L. Bush
Commissioner of Public Works
DLB

Cc: City Engineer
Arcadis of New York
File

New Matter
[Deleted Matter]



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File #: TMP -975

Agenda Date: 10/23/2024

Agenda #: 4.

City Council:

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR
TO RETROACTIVELY ENTER INTO AN EMERGENCY
CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT WITH PCI INDUSTRIES,
INC. FOR THE REPAIR OF STORMWATER AND
SANITARY SEWER SYSTEMS AT THE
INTERSECTION OF 13TH AVENUE AND 3RD STREET**

Whereas, by letter dated October 11, 2024, the Commissioner of the Department of Public Works has requested legislation authorizing the Mayor to retroactively enter into an emergency contractual agreement with PCI Industries, Inc. to remove, replace, and rehabilitate stormwater and sanitary sewer systems at the intersection of 13th Avenue and 3rd Street; and

Whereas, the City of Mount Vernon experienced a health hazard at the intersection of 13th Avenue and 3rd Street due to backups in the stormwater sewer system during rain events, causing flooding at the intersection and nearby properties; and

Whereas, the flooding was caused by compromised catch basins at three of the four corners of the intersection, necessitating immediate action to prevent further health risks and damage to public and private property; and

Whereas, PCI Industries, Inc. was contracted on an emergency basis to remove blockages, rebuild catch basins, and replace stormwater sewer pipes to prevent further flooding and ensure public safety; and

Whereas, the City of Mount Vernon Procurement Policy allows for emergency purchases where immediate action is required to protect public property, life, safety, health, or welfare, or to maintain essential services without seeking alternate proposals; and

Whereas, the total cost for the completed emergency repair work is \$101,714.49, and funding is available through the WQIP Emergency Grant under Budget Codes H8120.203.C937 (Sanitary Sewer), and H8140.203.C938 (Stormwater); **Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved That**

The City of Mount Vernon, in City Council convened, does hereby ordain and enact:

Section 1. Authorization to Enter into Agreement. The Mayor is hereby authorized to retroactively enter into an emergency contractual agreement with PCI Industries, Inc. to remove, replace, and rehabilitate stormwater and sanitary sewer systems at the intersection of 13th Avenue and 3rd Street.

Section 2. Scope of Work. The scope of work completed by PCI Industries, Inc. is as follows:

- Location: Intersection of 13th Avenue and West 13th Street
- Southwest, Northwest, and Southeast catch basins had to be rebuilt with new stormwater-collecting sewers

Damage:

- Southwest - two catch basins and stormwater sewer piping.
- Northwest - three catch basins and stormwater sewer piping.
- Southeast - one catch basin.

Repairs Completed:

- Southwest - built one catch basin, rebuilt one catch basin, and Installed 15 feet of SDR stormwater sewer pipe. Excavated and repoured sidewalk corner.
- Northwest - rebuilt two catch basins and installed 35 linear feet of SDR stormwater sewer pipe. Excavated and repoured sidewalk corner.
- Southeast - rebuilt one catch basin, excavated and repoured

Section 3. Funding. The total cost for the emergency repairs of \$101,714.49 shall be funded through the following budget codes:

- H8120.203.C937 (Sanitary Sewer)
- H8140.203.C938 (Stormwater)

Section 4. Emergency Procurement Policy. This emergency contract is authorized in accordance with the City of Mount Vernon's procurement policy, Section 6, which allows for emergency purchases to address immediate threats to public health, safety, and property.

Section 5. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval by the Board of Estimate & Contract.



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REVISED

October 11, 2024

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

Re: Emergency Sewer Rehabilitation – 13th Avenue and 3rd Street Intersection

Dear Honorable City Council Members,

BACKGROUND

I am writing to urgently request the City Council’s approval to authorize the City to retroactively enter into an emergency contractual agreement with PCI Industries, Inc. This request is essential due to a health hazard and the immediate need to remove and replace sections of sanitary and stormwater sewers.

Recently, a health hazard emerged at 13th Avenue and 3rd Street intersection due to the stormwater sewer system backup during rain events that caused flooding of the intersection and properties in the vicinity of the intersection. Catch basins at three of the four corners had basins that were comprised, had to be rebuilt with new stormwater sewer piping. PCI Industries was contracted to complete the necessary emergency repairs to address and remove the blockage.

SCOPE OF WORK

- Location: Intersection of 13th Avenue and West 13th Street
- Southwest, Northwest and Southeast catch basins had to be rebuilt with new stormwater collecting sewers
- Damage:
 - Southwest - two catch basins and stormwater sewer piping.
 - Northwest - three catch basins and stormwater sewer piping.
 - Southeast – one catch basin
- Repairs Completed:
 - Southwest – Built one catch basin, rebuilt one catch basin, Installed 15 feet of SDR stormwater sewer pipe. Excavated and repoured sidewalk corner.
 - Northwest – Rebuilt two catch basins, installed 35 linear feet of SDR stormwater sewer pipe. Excavated and repoured sidewalk corner.
 - Southeast – Rebuilt one catch basins, Excavated and repoured sidewalk corner.

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PROCUREMENT POLICY

Section 6. Items Excepted from these Policies and Procedures by the City Council.

B. Emergency Purchases. For purpose of this section, an emergency refers to an occurrence that presents an immediate threat to public property, the life, safety, health, welfare or property of residents or the public, or threatens to curtail or terminate an essential service to residents or the public. Due to the nature of this exception, these goods or services must be purchased immediately and a delay in order to seek alternate proposals may threaten the life, health, safety, property or welfare of the residents or City of Mount Vernon.

FUNDING

The total associated costs for this rehabilitation are **\$101,714.49**
Funding for this emergency repair is available via WQIP Emergency Grant

- H8120.203. C937(Sanitary Sewer)
- H8140.203.C938 (Stormwater)

Respectfully,

Damani L. Bush
Commissioner of Public Works
DLB

Cc: City Engineer
Arcadis of New York
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City of Mount Vernon, New York

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File #: TMP -973

Agenda Date: 10/23/2024

Agenda #: 5.

City Council:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION TO SPONSOR THE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY AND TEMPORARILY CLOSING DESIGNATED STREETS FOR THE EVENT

Whereas, by letter dated October 15, 2024, the Commissioner of the Department of Recreation has requested legislation authorizing said Department to sponsor and organize the Annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony, to be held on Thursday, December 5, 2024, from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at City Hall Plaza; and

Whereas, the City of Mount Vernon desires to provide a festive event for residents, bringing the community together to celebrate the holiday season; and

Whereas, it is necessary to temporarily close certain streets and provide city services to ensure the safety and success of the event; **Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved That**

The City of Mount Vernon, in City Council convened, does hereby ordain and enact:

Section 1. Event Authorization. The Department of Recreation is hereby authorized to sponsor the Annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony on Thursday, December 5, 2024, at City Hall Plaza from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Section 2. Street Closures. The following streets shall be closed to vehicular traffic on December 5, 2024, from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. to facilitate the event:

- Roosevelt Square East
- Roosevelt Square North

These closures shall accommodate a horse and buggy ride as part of the event festivities.

Section 3. Authorization for City Departments. The Department of Public Works is hereby authorized and directed to set out barricades and place “No Parking” signs on Roosevelt Square East and Roosevelt Square South in preparation for the event.

The Department of Public Safety is authorized to assign Auxiliary officers to monitor the event. The Patrol Supervisor is further authorized to hire additional officers on an overtime basis, if deemed necessary, to ensure the safety and smooth operation of the event.

Section 4. Funding and Budget. The costs for staffing and monitoring this event, not including any overtime expenses for Public Safety and Public Works personnel, shall not exceed

\$3,000.00 and will be charged to Budget Code A7310.104.

Section 5. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval by the Board of Estimate & Contract.



CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, NEW YORK
DEPARTMENT of RECREATION

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Mayor

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Kathleen Walker-Pinckney
Commissioner

André G. Early
Deputy Commissioner

October 15, 2024

Honorable City Council Members
City Hall
One Roosevelt Square
Mount Vernon, New York 10550

Re: Request to Sponsor the Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony

Dear Honorable City Council Members:

This letter requests that the City Council enact legislation allowing the Department of Recreation to sponsor the Annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony on Thursday, December 5, 2024, to be held at City Hall Plaza, from 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm.

- Permission to close the following streets on Thursday, December 5, 2024, from 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm, Roosevelt Square E and Roosevelt Square N (for the horse and buggy ride).
- Permission to authorize the Department of Public Safety and the Department of Public Works personnel to assist with the event and cleaning after the ceremony.

The cost to the city for this event is for minimal staff to monitor this event. Funding for staffing the event will be charged to Budget code: A7310.104, not exceeding 3,000.00.

Thank you for your careful consideration of this request.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen Walker-Pinckney

Commissioner of Recreation



**CITY OF MOUNT VERNON
POLICE DEPARTMENT
SUPPORT SERVICES DIVISION**



(914) 665-2500 FAX (914) 665-2559

*Captain Michael Goldman
Commanding Officer*

Executive Officer

Date: October 18, 2024

To: Office of the Police Commissioner

From: Commanding Officer, Support Services Division

Subject: Tree Lighting Event at City Hall Plaza

I have read the Letter from Commissioner Walker-Pinckney of the Recreation Department RE: the above event.

Based on the provided information, there are no traffic or public safety concerns with this event. Approval of this request is recommended provided the following conditions are met.

- Assign Auxiliary officers to this event.
- DPW places barricades to close the requested street
- It is also recommended that the patrol supervisor monitor the event and be authorized to hire officers on an overtime basis should the need arise.

Captain Michael Goldman
Commanding Officer
Support Services Division

**CC: Patrol Division
Parking Bureau
Aux PD**

APPROVED
Commissioner of Public Safety



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DAMANI L. BUSH
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ROBERT L. HACKETT
Deputy Commissioner

October 15, 2024

To: City Clerk's Office
City of Mount Vernon, NY

RE: Request to Sponsor the Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony

Replying to your memo regarding Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony please be advised The Department of Public Works has no objections to this event.

We will set out barricades and place no parking signs on Roosevelt Square East and Roosevelt Square South.

Best Regards,

Robert L. Hackett
Deputy Commissioner of Public Works



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File #: TMP -960

Agenda Date: 10/23/2024

Agenda #: 6.

City Council:

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 29,
ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON SEPTEMBER
13, 2023, ENTITLED “AN ORDINANCE REQUESTING
PERMISSION FOR THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN
AGREEMENT WITH THE WESTCHESTER-PUTNAM
WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD”**

The City of Mount Vernon, in City Council convened, does hereby ordain and enact:

Section 1. The first decretal paragraph, second and third Whereas Clauses and Sections 1 and 2 of Ordinance No. 29, adopted by the City Council on September 13, 2023, entitled “AN ORDINANCE REQUESTING PERMISSION FOR THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE WESTCHESTER-PUTNAM WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD” is hereby amended as follows:

Whereas by letter dated [September 6, 2023] October 7, 2024, the Executive Director of the Youth Bureau has requested the City Council enact legislation amending Ordinance No. 29, adopted by the City Council on September 13, 2023, authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with the Westchester-Putnam Workforce Development Board in the amount of **\$92,670.00** for the period commencing June 30, 2023, through June 30, 2024. The program will serve 30 youths and young adults through the WIOA/WDAY Youth Employment Services; and

Whereas the program, eligible youths ages 16-24 will be provided with educational and employment services under the Workforce Innovation Opportunity Act (WIOA). The program is designed to provide resources and services that will enable youths to obtain a diploma/high school equivalency diploma, explore career opportunities, enroll in higher education, and obtain employment or certifications within a trade of their interest; and

Whereas, the Westchester-Putnam Workforce Development Board (“WPWDB”) has awarded an additional \$92,670 to extend the MVYB’s WIOA/WDAY program until June 30, 2025, to provide services to an additional 30 eligible economically disadvantaged youth ages 16-24; and

Whereas, the WIOA/WDAY program provides critical resources to help eligible youth obtain a diploma or high school equivalency, explore career opportunities, pursue higher education, or attain employment or certifications in trades of interest, thereby improving their future economic prospects; and

Whereas, the City Council finds it in the best interest of the City to continue and expand this program for eligible youth through the additional funds provided by the WPWDB, with no matching

obligation required from the City; Now, Therefore,

The City of Mount Vernon, in City Council convened, does hereby ordain and enact:

Section 1. The Mayor is hereby granted permission to enter into an agreement with the Westchester-Putnam Workforce Development Board for **\$92,670.00** for the period commencing June 30, 2023, through [June 30, 2024] June 30, 2025, for an additional \$92,670 to support the provision of services to 30 additional eligible youth under the WIOA/WDAY program. The program will serve 30 youths and young adults through the WIOA/WDAY Youth Employment Services.

Section 2. Funds for this program are to be accounted for in Revenue Code A4790.6 for appropriations in the following Budget Codes: A6295.101 (Salaries), A6295.801, 802, 803, 804 & 806 (Fringes) and A6295.104; 402; 405; & 467. **There is no matching obligation for this grant.**

Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect upon its approval by the Board of Estimate & Contract.

New matter underlined

Deleted matter in brackets []



CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, N.Y.
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DENA T. WILLIAMS, MPA
Deputy Director

October 7, 2024

Honorable Members of the City Council
Through the Office of the Mayor
City Hall – One Roosevelt Square
Mount Vernon, NY 10550

Dear Honorable Members:

This letter respectfully requests that the City Council amend Ordinance No. 21, adopted on September 19, 2023, authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with the Westchester-Putnam Workforce Development Board (WPWDB) for the MVYB's WIOA/WDAY Program extended to **June 30, 2025** for an additional awarded amount of **\$92,670** providing **30** new eligible WIOA/WDAY youth with educational and employment services.

The original agreement dates were from June 30, 2023, to June 30, 2024, with an awarded amount of **\$92,670** which provided 30 WIOA eligible economically disadvantage youth ages 16-24 with services under the Workforce Innovation Opportunity Act. The program is designed to provide resources and services that will enable youth to obtain a diploma/high school equivalency diploma, explore career opportunities, enroll in higher education, or obtain employment or certifications within a trade of interest.

Funds for this program are to be accounted for in the revenue code A4790.6 for appropriations in budget code A6295.101 (Salaries) 801, 802, 803, 804 & 806 (Fringes) and A6295.104; 402; 405; & 467. **There is no matching obligation for this grant.** Please note that although the letter dated August 21, 2024, I only received the extended award letter on official letterhead on October 3, 2024. Should you require further information, please feel free to contact me at (914) 665-2344 or by email at Dburrell@cmvny.com. I will also be present at the city council meeting.

Sincerely,

Debbie Burrell-Butler,

Debbie Burrell-Butler
Executive Director, MBA

Cc: Shawyn Patterson-Howard, Mayor
Darren M. Morton, Comptroller
Brian Johnson, Corporation Counsel
MVYB files

Enclosed: Extended Award Letter
Ordinance No. 21

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AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE WESTCHESTER COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH FOR OPIOID PREVENTION PROGRAMS AND ACCEPT CONTRACTUAL AWARD

Whereas, by letter dated January 12, 2024, the Executive Director of the Youth Bureau has requested legislation authorizing the Mayor to retroactively enter into an agreement with the Westchester County Department of Community Mental Health for the period January 2024 through December 2024 to accept the contractual awards in the amount of \$48,111 and \$11,000 totaling \$59,111 for opioid prevention programs to be implemented by the Mount Vernon Youth Bureau; and

Whereas, the City of Mount Vernon recognizes the critical importance of addressing opioid misuse and addiction among its residents, particularly its youth population; and

Whereas, the Mount Vernon Youth Bureau (MVYB) is poised to undertake evidence-based activities aimed at discouraging and preventing the misuse of opioids within the community; and

Whereas, the Office of Addiction Services and Support (OASAS) has designated funds to support initiatives aimed at combating substance abuse and promoting mental health; and

Whereas, the proposed activities include public education on drug disposal, corrective advertising campaigns, drug take-back programs, community-based education, greater access to mental health services for young people, engagement with non-profits and faith-based communities, and collaboration with school-based or youth-focused programs; and

Whereas, the MVYB has been awarded a contractual award totaling \$59,111 from the Westchester County Department of Community Mental Health to implement these vital programs; and

Whereas, the funds for these programs are designated under revenue code A2229.8 and appropriations in various budget codes, including A7330.101 (Salaries), A7330.402 (Travel), A7330.405 (Contracted Outside Services), A7330.458 (Misc), and A7330.467 (Program Supplies); and

Whereas, no matching funds are required for this grant, thereby alleviating the financial burden on the City of Mount Vernon; **Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved That**

The City of Mount Vernon, in City Council convened, does hereby ordain, and enact:

Section 1. Authorization. The Mayor is hereby authorized to retroactively enter into an agreement with the Westchester County Department of Community Mental Health for the period January 2024 through December 2024 to accept the awards in the amount of \$48,111 and \$11,000 totaling \$59,111 for opioid prevention programs to be implemented by the Mount Vernon Youth Bureau.

Section 2. Program Implementation. The Mount Vernon Youth Bureau shall utilize the awarded funds to carry out evidence-based activities aimed at discouraging and preventing the misuse of opioids as outlined in the agreement with the Westchester County Department of Community Mental Health.

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Section 3. Fiscal Allocation. The funds received under Revenue Code A2229.8 shall be appropriated to the following Budget Codes:

- A7330.101 (Salaries)
- A7330.402 (Travel)
- A7330.405 (Contracted Outside Services)
- A7330.458 (Misc)
- A7330.467 (Program Supplies)

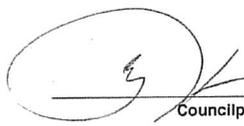
Section 4. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect upon its approval by the Board of Estimate & Contract.

Vote Taken As Follows: 2/14/2024
 Boxhill: Yea Browne: Yea
 Potrat: Yea Thompson: Absent
 Gleason: Yea Ordinance Adopted

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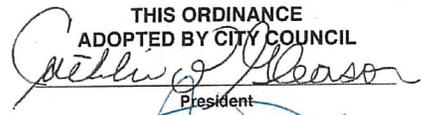


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 Councilperson

THIS ORDINANCE ADOPTED BY CITY COUNCIL



 President

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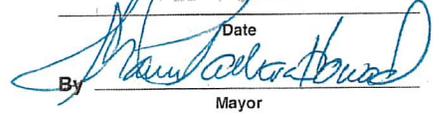


 City Clerk

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 By _____
 Mayor



City of Mount Vernon, New York

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Agenda Date: 10/23/2024

Agenda #: 7.

City Council:

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO
ACCEPT FUNDS FROM THE OPIOID SETTLEMENT
FUND FOR THE STATE FISCAL YEAR 2025 TO BE
ADMINISTERED BY THE MOUNT VERNON YOUTH
BUREAU FOR OPIOID MISUSE PREVENTION INITIATIVES**

Whereas, by letter dated October 3, 2024, the Executive Director of the Youth Bureau has requested legislation authorizing the Mayor to accept the award of \$10,053 from the Opioid Settlement Fund for State Fiscal Year 2025, as administered by the Office of Addiction Services and Supports (OASAS); and

Whereas, the City of Mount Vernon has been awarded \$10,053 from the Opioid Settlement Fund for State Fiscal Year 2025, as designated by the settlement agreement from the Office of Addiction Services and Supports (OASAS); and

Whereas, these funds are to be administered by the Mount Vernon Youth Bureau (MVYB) to develop and implement evidence-based prevention activities aimed at reducing and preventing the misuse of opioids within the community; and

Whereas, the Office of Addiction Services and Supports (OASAS) designates these funds for specific uses under Schedule C “Approved Uses” for community-based opioid misuse prevention, focusing on prevention strategies, educational programs, and public health initiatives; and

Whereas, the MVYB will use the funds to support various activities, including public education on drug disposal, corrective advertising, drug take-back programs, community-based education, mental health support services, youth-focused programs, and partnerships with local non-profits and faith-based communities; and

Whereas, the City of Mount Vernon seeks to accept and allocate these funds for their designated purposes, enhancing public health and safety in alignment with the objectives set forth by the Opioid Settlement Agreement; **Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved That**

The City of Mount Vernon, in City Council convened, does hereby ordain and enact:

Section 1. Acceptance Funds. The Mayor of the City of Mount Vernon is hereby authorized to accept the award of \$10,053 from the Opioid Settlement Fund for State Fiscal Year 2025, as administered by the Office of Addiction Services and Supports (OASAS).

Section 2. Designated Purpose and Use of Funds. The awarded funds shall be allocated to the Mount Vernon Youth Bureau (MVYB) for opioid misuse prevention initiatives, specifically to support evidence-based activities that align with Schedule C “Approved Uses,” Section B (Prevent

Misuse of Opioids). The following activities are authorized under this ordinance:

1. Public education on proper drug disposal.
2. Corrective advertising, campaigns, and public education initiatives.
3. Implementation of drug take-back, disposal, and destruction programs.
4. Community-based educational programs and initiatives.
5. Enhanced access to mental health services and support for young people.
6. Collaboration with non-profits and faith-based organizations for prevention programs.
7. Youth-focused, school-based programming promotes opioid misuse prevention.

Section 3. Accounting and Budget Allocation. Funds received from this grant shall be accounted for in Revenue Code A2229.8. The appropriations shall be allocated as follows:

- A7330.101 & 104 (Salaries)
- A7330.402 (Travel)
- A7330.405 (Contracted Outside Services)
- A7330.458 (Miscellaneous Expenses)
- A7330.467 (Program Supplies)

Section 4. Grant Administration and Reporting. The MVYB is authorized and directed to administer the grant funds under OASAS requirements. The MVYB shall also comply with all necessary reporting and reconciliation requirements to ensure proper utilization and accountability of the funds.

Section 5. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval by the Board of Estimate & Contract.



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October 03, 2024

Honorable Members of the City Council
Through the Office of the Mayor
City Hall – One Roosevelt Square
Mount Vernon, NY 10550

Dear Honorable Members:

This letter comes to respectfully request that the City Council enact legislation that will enable the mayor to accept funds from the Opioid Settlement Fund as designated by the settlement agreement for state fiscal year 2025 from the Office of Addiction Services and Supports. The contractual award in the amount of \$10,053 is awarded to the City of Mount Vernon whereas the Mount Vernon Youth Bureau (MVYB) will use funds to discourage or prevent the misuse of opioids within the community.

Funds are designated by the Office of Addiction Services and Support (OASAS) to complete evidence-based activities. OASAS is conducting annual reconciliation of all appropriations to ensure all dollars available through Regional Abatement are passed on to receiving entities payment will be made this year to account for the outstanding balance owed from SFY' 23, SFY' 24 and SFY' 25.

Based on Schedule C "Approved Uses, the MVYB will focus on PREVENTION section B (Prevent Misuse of Opioids). Some evidence-based activities include 1. Public education relating to drug disposal. 2. Corrective advertising, campaigns, or affirmative to the public. 3. Drug take-back disposal or destruction programs. 4. Support community-based education. 5. Support greater access to mental health services and support for young people 6. Engage non-profits and faith-based community as a system to support prevention. 7. Work with school-based or youth-focused programs.

Funds are to be accounted for in revenue code A2229.8 and with appropriations in budget codes: A7330.101 & 104 (Salaries), A7330.402 (Travel), A7330.405 (Contracted Outside Services), and A7330.458 (Misc), A7330.467 (Program Supplies). No matching is required for this grant.

Should you require further information, please feel free to contact me at (914) 665-2347 or by email at Dburrell@cmvny.com.

Sincerely,

Debbie Burrell-Butler

Debbie Burrell-Butler
Executive Director, MBA

CC: Shawyn Patterson-Howard, Mayor
Darren Morton, Comptroller
Brian Johnson, Corporation Counsel

Enclosed: Copy of award letter



**Office of Addiction
Services and Supports**

OASAS. Every Step of the Way.

KATHY HOCHUL
Governor

CHINAZO CUNNINGHAM, MD
Commissioner

September 16, 2024
Shawyn Howard
Mount Vernon City

Dear Shawyn,

On behalf of Governor Kathy Hochul, I am pleased to inform you that Mount Vernon City will be receiving money from the Opioid Settlement Fund as designated by the settlement agreements for state fiscal year 2025.

OASAS is providing the Local Governmental Unit (LGU) for Westchester County with dollars for Mount Vernon City to procure at its discretion based on the allowable use of funds per Settlement and Statute. Additional information on the use of funds and reporting is provided on the [Opioid Settlement Fund Regional Abatement website](#). OASAS is conducting annual reconciliation of all appropriations to ensure all dollars available through Regional Abatement are passed on to receiving entities. Payments will be made this year to account for the outstanding balance owed from SFY'23 and SFY'24, as well as the anticipated SFY'25 payment. Please see the table below for details. Entities will receive up to three payment worksheets to account for the amounts owed because of the reconciliation and 2025 payment. Payments are expected to go out in October 2024.

Entity	SFY2023 balance owed	SFY2024 balance owed	SFY2025 balance owed	Total Reconciliation 2025
Mount Vernon City	\$ 0	\$2,652	\$7,401	\$10,053

OASAS is excited to work in partnership with the cities, LGUs, and OLEs on use of the Opioid Settlement Fund. This funding is important in addressing the substance use prevention, treatment, harm reduction, and recovery service needs at the local level.

Please coordinate any publicity regarding this award with the OASAS Communications Office at communications@oasas.ny.gov or by calling (518) 457-8299. Any other questions can be directed to (518) 485-2322.

Sincerely,

Chinazo Cunningham, MD
Commissioner

cc: Constance Burke
Deborah Davis
Keith McCarthy
Tracey Collins
Trishia Allen

Schedule C – Approved Uses

I. TREATMENT

A. TREAT OPIOID USE DISORDER (OUD)

Support treatment of Opioid Use Disorder (OUD) and any co-occurring Substance Use Disorder or Mental Health (SUD/MH) conditions through evidence-based, evidence-informed, or promising programs or strategies that may include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. Expand availability of treatment for OUD and any co-occurring SUD/MH conditions, including all forms of Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT) approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.
2. Support and reimburse services that include the full American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM) continuum of care for OUD and any co-occurring SUD/MH conditions, including but not limited to:
 - a. Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT);
 - b. Abstinence-based treatment;
 - c. Treatment, recovery, or other services provided by states, subdivisions, community health centers; non-for-profit providers; or for-profit providers;
 - d. Treatment by providers that focus on OUD treatment as well as treatment by providers that offer OUD treatment along with treatment for other SUD/MH conditions; or
 - e. Evidence-informed residential services programs, as noted below.
3. Expand telehealth to increase access to treatment for OUD and any co-occurring SUD/MH conditions, including MAT, as well as counseling, psychiatric support, and other treatment and recovery support services.
4. Improve oversight of Opioid Treatment Programs (OTPs) to assure evidence-based, evidence-informed or promising practices such as adequate methadone dosing and low threshold approaches to treatment.
5. Support mobile intervention, treatment, and recovery services, offered by qualified professionals and service providers, such as peer recovery coaches, for persons with OUD and any co-occurring SUD/MH conditions and for persons who have experienced an opioid overdose.
6. Treatment of mental health trauma resulting from the traumatic experiences of the opioid user (e.g., violence, sexual assault, human trafficking, or adverse childhood experiences) and family members (e.g.,

II.

PREVENTION

A. PREVENT OVER-PRESCRIBING AND ENSURE APPROPRIATE PRESCRIBING AND DISPENSING OF OPIOIDS

Support efforts to prevent over-prescribing and ensure appropriate prescribing and dispensing of opioids through evidence-based, evidence-informed, or promising programs or strategies that may include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. Training for health care providers regarding safe and responsible opioid prescribing, dosing, and tapering patients off opioids.
2. Academic counter-detailing to educate prescribers on appropriate opioids prescribing.
3. Continuing Medical Education (CME) on appropriate prescribing of opioids.
4. Support for non-opioid pain treatment alternatives, including training providers to offer or refer to multi-modal, evidence-informed treatment of pain.
5. Support enhancements or improvements to Prescription Drug Monitoring Programs (PDMPs), including but not limited to improvements that:
 - a. Increase the number of prescribers using PDMPs;
 - b. Improve point-of-care decision-making by increasing the quantity, quality, or format of data available to prescribers using PDMPs, by improving the interface that prescribers use to access PDMP data, or both; or
 - c. Enable states to use PDMP data in support of surveillance or intervention strategies, including MAT referrals and follow-up for individuals identified within PDMP data as likely to experience OUD.
6. Development and implementation of a national PDMP – Fund development of a multistate/national PDMP that permits information sharing while providing appropriate safeguards on sharing of private health information, including but not limited to:
 - a. Integration of PDMP data with electronic health records, overdose episodes, and decision support tools for health care providers relating to OUD.
 - b. Ensuring PDMPs incorporate available overdose/naloxone deployment data, including the United States Department of

7. Increase electronic prescribing to prevent diversion or forgery.
8. Educating Dispensers on appropriate opioid dispensing.

B. PREVENT MISUSE OF OPIOIDS

Support efforts to discourage or prevent misuse of opioids through evidence-based, evidence-informed, or promising programs or strategies that may include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. Corrective advertising or affirmative public education campaigns based on evidence.
2. Public education relating to drug disposal.
3. Drug take-back disposal or destruction programs.
4. Fund community anti-drug coalitions that engage in drug prevention efforts.
5. Support community coalitions in implementing evidence-informed prevention, such as reduced social access and physical access, stigma reduction – including staffing, educational campaigns, support for people in treatment or recovery, or training of coalitions in evidence-informed implementation, including the Strategic Prevention Framework developed by the U.S. Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA).
6. Engaging non-profits and faith community as a system to support prevention.
7. Support evidence-informed school and community education programs and campaigns for students, families, school employees, school athletic programs, parent-teacher and student associations, and others.
8. School-based or youth-focused programs or strategies that have demonstrated effectiveness in preventing drug misuse and seem likely to be effective in preventing the uptake and use of opioids.
9. Support community-based education or intervention services for families, youth, and adolescents at risk for OUD and any co-occurring SUD/MH conditions.



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File #: TMP -976

Agenda Date: 10/23/2024

Agenda #: 8.

City Council:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO RENEW A CONTRACT AGREEMENT WITH THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND MARKETS FOR FUEL INSPECTION SERVICES

Whereas, by letter dated October 15, 2024, the Commissioner of the Department of Public Safety has requested legislation authorizing the Mayor to renew the contract agreement with the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets, covering the period from April 1, 2024, to March 31, 2029, to conduct fuel inspections, screening tests, and fuel sampling at retail fuel outlets within the City of Mount Vernon; and

Whereas, the City of Mount Vernon, through its Consumer Protection Department, is responsible for conducting inspections, screening tests, and fuel sampling at retail fuel outlets to ensure compliance with New York State standards; and

Whereas, the City has a contractual agreement with the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets, which allows the City to perform these services and receive reimbursement for the costs incurred; and

Whereas, the City will be reimbursed up to \$11,550.00 by the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets for the services rendered during the contract period from April 1, 2024, to March 31, 2029; and

Whereas, funds reimbursed to the City will be deposited into revenue line A3389.9 (NYS Other) and appropriated to corresponding expenditure lines, ensuring the continued support of the Consumer Protection Department's fuel inspection efforts, **Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved That**

The City of Mount Vernon, in City Council convened, does hereby ordain and enact:

Section 1. Authorization to Renew Contract. The Mayor is hereby authorized to renew the contract agreement with the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets, covering the period from April 1, 2024, to March 31, 2029, to conduct fuel inspections, screening tests, and fuel sampling at retail fuel outlets within the City of Mount Vernon.

Section 2. Reimbursement. The City shall be reimbursed for up to \$11,550.00 by the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets for costs incurred in performing fuel inspection services. All reimbursements will be deposited into Revenue Code A3389.9 (NYS Other).

Section 3. Funding Appropriation. Reimbursed funds shall be appropriated to the corresponding expenditure lines as required to cover the costs of fuel inspections, screening tests, and sampling.

Section 4. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval by

the Board of Estimate & Contract.



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MAYOR

October 15, 2024

Honorable City Council Members
City of Mount Vernon
1 Roosevelt Square
Mount Vernon, New York 10550

AMENDED

RE: Request Authorizing the Mayor to Re-new a Contract Agreement with New York State Dept. of Agriculture and Markets

Honorable Councilmembers:

The Department of Public Safety requests the Honorable Members of the City Council to approve legislation authorizing the Mayor to re-new a contract agreement with New York State (NYS) Dept. of Agriculture and Markets. The agreement covers April 1, 2024 to March 31, 2029. *This has been amended to reflect the corrected budget line that funds are to be placed in when reimbursed.*

This contract allows the Mount Vernon Consumer Protection Department to conduct inspections, screening tests and sample fuel stored at retail fuel outlets. *The City will be reimbursed up to the amount of \$11,550.00 for costs incurred in performing the number of tests agreed upon. Reimbursements will go to revenue line A3389.9 (NYS Other) which will then be appropriated to corresponding expenditure lines.*

If this request meets the approval of your Honorable Body, please enact legislation granting this approval.

Sincerely,

David Gibson
Commissioner of Public Safety

Cc: Mayor
Law Department
Comptroller



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Richard Thomas
Mayor

Robert Scott
Commissioner of Public Safety

June 20, 2019

Honorable City Council Members
City of Mount Vernon
City Hall
Mount Vernon, NY 10550
(Through the office of the Mayor)

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MAYOR
MOUNT VERNON, NY

Dear Council Members:

This letter comes to request that the city council enact Legislation authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with the State of New York Department of Agriculture and Markets for the Petroleum product Quality program for the contract period of April 1, 2019 to March 31, 2024.

The aforesaid contract will allow the Mount Vernon Consumer Protection Department to conduct inspections, screening tests and sample fuel stored at retail fuel outlets. The City Will be reimbursed in the amount of \$11,025.00 for costs incurred in the performing the number of tests agreed upon with the State Division of Weights and Measures.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert Scott
Commissioner of Public Safety

cc: Mayor
Comptroller
Law Department

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AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF NEW YORK DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND MARKETS FOR THE PETROLEUM PRODUCT QUALITY TESTING PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, by letter dated June 20, 2019, the Commissioner of the Department of Public Safety has requested legislation authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with the State of New York Department of Agriculture and Markets for the Petroleum Product Quality Testing Program for the contract period of April 1, 2019 to March 31, 2024; NOW, THEREFORE,

The City of Mount Vernon, in City Council convened, does hereby ordain and enact:

Section 1. The Mayor is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with the State of New York Department of Agriculture and Markets for the Petroleum Product Quality Testing Program for the contract period of April 1, 2019 to March 31, 2024.

Section 2. The City will be reimbursed in the amount of \$11,025.00 for costs incurred in performing the number of tests agreed upon with the State Division of Weights and Measures.

Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect upon its approval by the Board of Estimate and Contract.

[Handwritten Signature]

Councilperson

APPROVED AS TO FORM

Assistant Corporation Counsel

THIS ORDINANCE
ADOPTED BY CITY COUNCIL

[Handwritten Signature]

Acting President

ATTEST: *[Handwritten Signature]*

City Clerk

APPROVED
JUL 10 2019

APPROVED
Dept. _____

By *[Handwritten Signature]*

Acting Mayor

Vote Taken As Follows: 7/10/2019
Copeland: Yea Wallace: Yea
Farquharson: Yea Griffith: Yea
Duarte: Yea Ordinance Adopted

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File #: TMP -981

Agenda Date: 10/23/2024

Agenda #: 9.

City Council:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING ONE (1) MEMBER OF SERVICE TO ATTEND THE FBI-LEEDA INTERNAL AFFAIRS INVESTIGATION TRAINING

Whereas, by letter dated October 16, 2024, the Commissioner of the Department of Public Safety has requested legislation authorizing one (1) Member of Service from the Department of Public Safety to attend the FBI-LEEDA Internal Affairs Investigation Training from November 11, 2024, through November 15, 2024, at the Westchester County Police Academy; and

Whereas, the City of Mount Vernon's Department of Public Safety is committed to providing ongoing professional development and training opportunities for its personnel; and

Whereas, the FBI-LEEDA Internal Affairs Investigation Training is a highly respected course that addresses policies and procedures, effective complaint processes, and the investigation of personnel complaints, among other vital topics related to Internal Affairs; and

Whereas, this training will enhance the skills and knowledge of one (1) Member of Service in handling Internal Affairs investigations, ensuring that the City of Mount Vernon continues to uphold transparency and accountability within its public safety operations; and

Whereas, the training will take place from November 11, 2024, through November 15, 2024, at the Westchester County Police Academy located at 2 Dana Drive, Valhalla, NY, at a total cost of \$795.00; and

Whereas, the cost for this training shall be satisfied from Budget Line A3120.451 (Training), and the Member of Service will utilize a department vehicle for transportation to and from the training location); **Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved That**

The City of Mount Vernon, in City Council convened, does hereby ordain and enact:

Section 1. Authorization to Attend Training. The City Council authorizes one (1) Member of Service from the Department of Public Safety to attend the FBI-LEEDA Internal Affairs Investigation Training from November 11, 2024, through November 15, 2024, at the Westchester County Police Academy.

Section 2. Cost and Funding. The total cost of \$795.00 for this training shall be satisfied from Budget Line A3120.451 (Training).

Section 3. Transportation. The Member of Service attending the training is authorized to use a department vehicle for transportation to and from the Westchester County Police Academy during the training period.

Section 4. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval by the Board of Estimate & Contract.



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October 16, 2024

Honorable City Council Members
City of Mount Vernon
1 Roosevelt Square
Mount Vernon, NY 10550

RE: FBI- LEEDA Internal Affairs Investigation Training for One (1) Member of Service

Honorable Councilmembers:

The Department of Public Safety requests that the City Council adopt an ordinance to approve one (1) Member of Service to attend the **FBI- LEEDA Internal Affairs Investigation Training** that will take place from November 11th, 2024 through November 15th, 2024. This training is hosted by the Westchester County Police Academy at 2 Dana Drive, Valhalla, NY.

The course addresses policies and procedures, effective complaint processes, investigation of personnel complaints and more vital topics pertaining to Internal Affairs.

The cost for this training is \$795.00 per attendee (**\$ 795.00 in total**) and will be satisfied from **Budget Line A3120.451 (Training)**. The Member of Service will utilize a department vehicle for transportation to and from the training. If this request meets the approval of your Honorable Body, please enact legislation granting this approval.

Sincerely,

David Gibson
Commissioner of Public Safety

CC: Mayor
Comptroller
Law Department



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Agenda Date: 10/23/2024

Agenda #: 10.

City Council:

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF
THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, NEW YORK
HONORING AND RECOGNIZING *THE*
*RETIREMENT OF FIREFIGHTER JOHN DelGUERCIO***

Whereas, the great City of Mount Vernon, NY, joins the Fire Administration in recognizing the retirement of **FIREFIGHTER JOHN DelGUERCIO**, from Active Service on July 29, 2024; and

Whereas, **FIREFIGHTER JOHN DelGUERCIO** began his distinguished career with the Mount Vernon Fire Department on December 16, 2004, and faithfully served the community for 19.7 years; and

Whereas, **FIREFIGHTER JOHN DelGUERCIO**, throughout his career, held various positions within the department, demonstrating unwavering commitment and professionalism in every role; and

Whereas, he was last assigned to Group 2, Engine Company 203 at Station #3, and Engine Company 204 at Station #4, where his leadership and dedication to service were evident to both his peers and supervisors

Whereas, **FIREFIGHTER JOHN DelGUERCIO** took pride in engaging with the community, especially through outreach efforts to inspire and educate the city's youth about the Fire Service, encouraging them to pursue careers in public service. His peers and leaders highly regarded Firefighter Del Guercio, recognizing his dedication, work ethic, and invaluable service to the City of Mount Vernon. His retirement on July 29, 2024, marks the conclusion of a career that has brought great credit upon him and reflects his deep commitment to the safety and well-being of the Mount Vernon community; **Now, Therefore, be it**

Resolved, that the City Council of Mount Vernon hereby recognizes and extends its heartfelt gratitude to **FIREFIGHTER JOHN DelGUERCIO** for his outstanding 19.7 years of service, his unwavering dedication to the fire department, and his lasting impact on the community he has so faithfully served; **be it further**

Resolved that this proclamation serves as a testament to the invaluable contributions of **FIREFIGHTER JOHN DelGUERCIO** and that a copy of this resolution be presented to him as a token of our appreciation for his service.



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File #: TMP -979

Agenda Date: 10/23/2024

Agenda #: 11.

City Council:

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF
THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, NEW YORK
HONORING AND RECOGNIZING *THE RETIREMENT OF
FIREFIGHTER LIEUTENANT GERALD JOHNSON III***

Whereas, the great City of Mount Vernon, NY, joins the Fire Administration in recognizing the retirement of **FIREFIGHTER LIEUTENANT GERALD JOHNSON III** from Active Service; and

Whereas, **FIREFIGHTER LIEUTENANT GERALD JOHNSON III** began his exceptional career with the Mount Vernon Fire Department on March 6, 1995, and has faithfully served the community for over 29 years; and

Whereas, **LIEUTENANT JOHNSON** has exemplified a commitment to public service through his various assignments, most recently at Station #1 with Ladder 62 Truck Company, and previously at Station #2 with Engine Company 205 and Rescue 1; and

Whereas, in December 2017, **LIEUTENANT JOHNSON** was promoted to the rank of Fire Lieutenant, and he continued to demonstrate leadership, courage, and a passion for serving the residents of Mount Vernon. His strong sense of teamwork and exceptional work ethic earned him the admiration and respect of his colleagues, and he has been recognized with letters of appreciation and accolades for his outstanding performance and dedication to duty. Lieutenant Johnson's retirement on October 15, 2024, marks the culmination of a distinguished career that has brought great credit upon himself, the Mount Vernon Fire Department, and the city he has served so honorably; **Now, Therefore, be it**

Resolved, that the City Council of Mount Vernon hereby extends its deepest gratitude to **FIRE LIEUTENANT GERALD JOHNSON III** for his 29-plus years of exemplary service, leadership, and contributions to the safety and well-being of the community; **be it further**

Resolved that this proclamation is a tribute to the dedication, professionalism, and teamwork displayed by **LIEUTENANT JOHNSON** throughout his career and that a copy of this resolution be presented to him as a token of our appreciation for his outstanding service.



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File #: TMP -963

Agenda Date: 10/23/2024

Agenda #: 12.

City Council:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN APPLICATION FOR A CORRECTION FOR THE TAX YEARS 2023 AND 2024 FOR CITY, COUNTY AND SCHOOL TAX BILLS AND DIRECTING THE COMPTROLLER TO ISSUE A REFUND/CREDIT TO METRO GREEN REALTY OF WESTCHESTER, LLC / O OAK STREET - (BLOCK 164.68-1055-19) DUE TO A CORRECTION OF ERROR)

Whereas, by letter dated October 8, 2024, the Commissioner of the Department of Assessment advised the City Council that due to a Correction in Error, Metro Green Realty of Westchester, LLC, 0 Oak Street, Mount Vernon, NY 10550 for City, County, and School Tax Assessment for Block - 164.68-1055-19 on the Assessment Rolls for the following years warrants a correction and refund in the following amounts because there was an error in the essential facts and incorrectly assessed valuation, due to the parcel being within two (2) municipalities and the percentage in Mount Vernon was miscalculated on the 2023 final assessment roll for the 2024 tax year, which now warrants a correction in the following amounts for the tax year 2024: \$7,518.90 (City tax), \$2,880.45 (County tax) and \$14,350.50 (School tax); and

Whereas, this refund/credit is due to Metro Green Realty of Westchester, LLC because there was an error in the essential facts and an incorrectly assessed valuation due to the parcel being within two (2) municipalities and the percentage in Mount Vernon was miscalculated on the 2023 final assessment roll for the 2024 tax year; **Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved That**

The City of Mount Vernon, in City Council convened, does hereby ordain and enact:

Section 1. **Authorization to Execute Application for Correction.** The Mayor is hereby authorized to execute an application for correction to the 2023 Assessment Roll for the City, County, and School Tax Roll for Block - 164.68-1055-19 on the Tax Assessment Map, parcel being owned by Metro Green Realty of Westchester, LLC, 0 Oak Street, Mount Vernon, NY 10550 to indicate the correction herein.

Section 2. **Authorization to Issue Refund/Credit.** The Comptroller is hereby authorized and directed to issue a refund/credit to be satisfied in Budget Code A1964-492 in the total amount of \$24,749.85 (City, County, and School Tax) to Metro Green Realty of Westchester, LLC, 0 Oak Street, Mount Vernon, NY 10550, Block - 164.68-1055-19, which shall correct the City, County, and School

tax bills for the 2024 Tax Years.

Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect upon its approval by the Board of Estimate & Contract.



CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, N.Y.
DEPARTMENT of ASSESSMENT

SHAWYN PATTERSON-HOWARD
Mayor

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Stephanie Vanderpool
Commissioner

Cranston D. Johnson
Deputy Commissioner

October 8, 2024

Honorable Cathlin B. Gleason
City Council President
City Hall
Mount Vernon, NY 10550

Re: Metro Green Realty of Westchester, LLC.
0 Oak Street
Mount Vernon, NY 10550
164.68-1055-19

Dear: Honorable City Council

Please be advised there was an error in the essential facts an incorrect assessed valuation, do to the parcel being within (2) two municipalities and the percentage in Mount Vernon was miscalculated on the 2023 final assessment roll for the 2024 tax year.

Enclosed is an application (RP-556) which was approved by the by the Executive Director of Westchester County.

- 1) City, County & School Tax bills from the Comptroller's office and School district showing that the 2024 taxes were billed on the higher assessment of \$15,700.
- 2) Receipt from the Comptrollers office showing that the property owner paid the 2024 City and County taxes in full.
- 3) Receipt showing that the first half of the 2024 School Tax bill was paid.
- 4) Breakdown of what the taxes would have been based on the lower assessment of \$700.00

Please be advised the property owner is entitled to a refund on the CITY, COUNTY & SCHOOL tax levies.

"The Jewel of Westchester"



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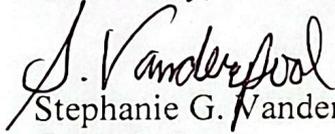
Stephanie Vanderpool
Commissioner

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Deputy Commissioner

The CITY is to refund \$7,518.90
The COUNTY is to refund \$2,880.45
The SCHOOL is to refund \$14,350.50

If this meets the approval of your Honorable Body would you kindly have the necessary legislation enacted. Please approve this and forward it to the Comptroller's Office for final processing.

Yours truly,


Stephanie G. Vanderpool
Commissioner

Attachment: (10)

"The Jewel of Westchester"



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Agenda Date: 10/23/2024

Agenda #: 13.

City Council:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES (TANs) IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF UP TO \$7,000,000 TO MEET THE FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS OF THE CITY

Whereas, by letter dated October 17, 2024, the Comptroller has requested legislation authorizing the issuance of Tax Anticipation Notes (TANs) of the City in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$7,000,000, according to the Local Finance Law; and

Whereas, the City of Mount Vernon is required to meet its financial obligations by year-end; and

Whereas, the City of Mount Vernon has outstanding appropriated property taxes for FY 2024 for \$4.0 million and earlier years' taxes totaling \$59 million; and

Whereas, the City is in the process of implementing initiatives such as payment plans and tax lien sales to collect the outstanding taxes; and

Whereas, the City must issue Tax Anticipation Notes (TANs) in an aggregate principal amount of up to \$7,000,000 to provide the Comptroller with short-term cash flow to meet the City's financial obligations; and

Whereas, such notes shall be issued in anticipation of the City's last collection of property taxes for FY 2024 and shall be retired upon receipt of said taxes, or through renewal or the use of other available funds if all real estate taxes are not collected; **Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved That**

The City of Mount Vernon, in City Council convened, does hereby ordain and enact:

Section 1. Authorization to Issue Tax Anticipation Notes. The Comptroller of the City of Mount Vernon is hereby authorized to issue Tax Anticipation Notes (TANs) of the City in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$7,000,000, pursuant to the Local Finance Law.

Section 2. Terms of the Tax Anticipation Notes. The TANs shall be issued in anticipation of collecting real estate taxes for the fiscal year 2024 and shall be retired upon receipt of such taxes. If all taxes are not collected, the TANs may be renewed or retired using other available funds.

Section 3. Repayment of the Notes. The repayment of the TANs shall be made from the funds collected from FY 2024 property taxes, or from other available funds, including but not limited to future tax collections from earlier fiscal years. Payment plans and tax lien sales are being pursued to facilitate the collection of outstanding taxes.

Section 4. Additional Authority. The Comptroller is further authorized to determine the final amount of the debt, the type of note issuance, and the term of the TANs based on the City's financial capacity and subject to approval by a financial institution.

Section 5. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its passage and adoption by the City Council.



CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, N.Y.
OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER

Darren M. Morton, Ed.D., CPRP, CMFO
Comptroller

City Hall, One Roosevelt Square
Mount Vernon, NY, 10550
(914) 665-2303

October 17, 2024

The Honorable City Council
City Hall
1 Roosevelt Square
Mount Vernon, NY 10550

RE: COMP2024-14 – Request for Authorization to issue Tax Anticipation Notes (TANS)

Honorable City Council Members:

I write to respectfully request that the Mount Vernon City Council (“the Council”) enact legislation granting permission for the Comptroller to issue tax anticipation notes (TANs) of the City in the aggregate principal amount of up to \$7,000,000, pursuant to the Local Finance Law, in order for the City to meet its financial obligations by year end.

Such notes shall be issued in anticipation of the City’s last collection of property taxes for FY 2024 and such borrowing shall be retired upon the receipt of such taxes. Should the City not collect all of said real estate taxes for FY 2024, the City can renew said notes until such taxes are collected or retire the notes using other available funds. Either way, the issuance of such notes is a short-term solution to provide the Comptroller with cash flow, which will allow the City to meet its obligations.

At present, we have appropriated \$4.0 million of unpaid 2024 property taxes outstanding and \$59 million in earlier years taxes outstanding, of which we are in the process of launching payment plans and tax lien sales to collect. These initiatives will provide for repayment of the TANs.

Attached you will find a resolution for your consideration. Please note the final amount of the debt, type of bond issuance and term will depend on our ability to be approved by a financial institution. If approved by your honorable body, the City will commence the process for issuance of the debt, subject to our financial capacity and financial institution approval.

Thanking you in advance for your assistance in this matter.

Respectfully,

Darren M. Morton, Ed.D., CPRP, CMFO
Comptroller

cc: Mayor Shawyn Patterson-Howard
Corporation Counsel
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