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March 18, 2025

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

Subject: Request to Enter into Agreement to receive Reimbursement of Prisoner Transportation from Westchester County Department of Correction

Dear Council Members,

This letter comes to request that legislation be enacted enabling the Mayor to enter into an agreement with the Westchester County Department of Correction for the reimbursement of prisoner transportation services for the years 2023 and 2024. Under the terms of this proposed agreement, the payment structure for prisoner transportation is as follows:

For 2023:

- \$230.73 per round trip with two police officers
- \$346.10 per round trip with three police officers

For 2024:

- \$237.65 per round trip with two police officers
- \$356.49 per round trip with three police officers

These payments would be deposited into Budget Line A2229.5 (County Transport for Prisoners).

The Mount Vernon Police Department (MVPD) currently provides round-trip prisoner transportation between the Police Department and the Westchester County Department of Correction for prisoners remanded by court order to the Westchester County Jail, who are required to appear before the local Court. This service utilizes MVPD's own personnel and vehicles.


Cc: Mayor

Comptroller
Law Department

In addition, the Police Department should receive reimbursement for vehicle usage, which is estimated at **16 miles each way** between the City of Mount Vernon and the Westchester County Jail, at a rate of **\$0.67 per mile**.

We respectfully request that legislation be passed to authorize the Mayor to enter into this agreement, ensuring the reimbursement of these transportation costs for 2023 and 2024.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "David Gibson".

David Gibson
Commissioner of Public Safety