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

Re: COMP2026 – 1 - Extension of PFK O'Connor
Davies for Independent Auditing Services for the
2021 & 2022

Dear Honorable Members of the City Council,

I respectfully submit this letter requesting authorization for the Comptroller to extend the City of Mount Vernon's agreement with PFK O'Connor Davies, LLP to provide independent auditing services for the **2021 and 2022 fiscal years**.

PFK O'Connor Davies has served as the City's independent auditor for several years. Under normal circumstances, the City would issue a Request for Proposals (RFP) to solicit auditing services every five years. However, given the City's current fiscal challenges and the need to regain timeliness and compliance with required annual financial reporting, it is my professional recommendation that we maintain continuity with our current auditor until the City is fully current with its outstanding audits.

Maintaining the existing auditor will allow for greater efficiency, institutional knowledge, and cost control, while minimizing additional delays that could result from transitioning to a new firm during this critical period.

The proposed costs for completing the audits are **\$110,000 for Fiscal Year 2021** and **\$115,000 for Fiscal Year 2022**. Funding for these services will be supported through the appropriate budgeted accounts for professional audit services.

Should you have any questions or require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact the Office of the Comptroller.

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration of this request.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Dr. Morton', with a stylized, cursive flourish at the end.

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

cc: Mayor
Law Department