

The Legislature of Rockland County



PHILIP SOSKIN
LEGISLATOR-DISTRICT 7
CHAIR, MULTI-SERVICES COMMITTEE

MINUTES
MULTI-SERVICES COMMITTEE
TUESDAY APRIL 14, 2015
6:30 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT:

LEG. P. SOSKIN, CHAIR
LEG. T. EARL, VICE CHAIR
LEG. A. PAUL, 2ND VICE CHAIR
LEG. I. SCHOENBERGER
LEG. A. WIEDER
LEG. L. HOFSTEIN
LEG. P. MORONEY

MEMBERS ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT:

LEG. H. CORNELL
LEG. M. GRANT
J. BIRNBAUM, ESQ
S. POWERS
J. MOLOF
J. FELLA
J. RAMOS

CHAIR SOSKIN CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT: 6:42 PM.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF MARCH 31, 2015 MEETING.

MOTION TO ADOPT:
EARL/WIEDER, PAUL

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1. REF.# 8148

APPROVING THE COMMISSION AND SITING OF A SCULPTURE BY ARTIST, GORDON HUETHER, AND APPROVING AN AGREEMENT WITH ARTIST, GORDON HUETHER, FOR THE COMMISSION AND SITING OF A SCULPTURE TO BE SITED AT THE COUNTY OFFICE BUILDING IN NEW CITY, NEW YORK
[ART IN PUBLIC PLACES COMMITTEE] (\$117,478)
(ROBERT H. GRUFFI DIRECTOR OF FACILITIES MGMT) DL#:2015-01110

MOTION TO APPROVE:
SOSKIN/ SCHOENBERGER

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ACTION: When the design of the sculpture is established Mrs. Julianne Ramos will make a presentation before the Legislature.

Julianne Ramos, administrator of the Rockland County Art in Public Places Committee advised that this particular project is going to be placed right in front of the Allison-Parris Office building. The artists name is Mr. Gordon Huether, he was selected among 430 submissions nationwide. The committee is going to be working with him directly, because it is a very visible site and they want to make sure that the artwork that will be placed there is considered beautiful and a good representation of our community.

Chair Soskin asked what type of sculpture does this work represent? Mrs. Ramos replied that the artwork has not yet been designed. It is actually in the designing phase.

Chair Soskin asked that when the committee decides on the final draft of the design would a resolution be presented back to the Legislature for approval? Mrs. Ramos replied that the process requires that when the design has been chosen to come back to the legislature for approval.

Leg. Schoenberger showed appreciation for this initiative and stated that this will certainly enhances the building and show appreciation for Rockland.

Leg Wieder said that he was curious as to why Mr. Huether was chosen. Mrs. Ramos explained that he was chosen based on many factors including his presentation and most of all his artwork.

Leg. Moroney asked how many local artists participate in this contest? Mrs. Ramos answered 90% of our local artist participated in the drawing.

2. REF.# 8983 APPROVING AN AGREEMENT IN EXCESS OF \$100,000 WITH CHILD CARE RESOURCES OF ROCKLAND, INC. IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$456,138 [NCTD] FOR THE ROCKLAND COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES 2015 DAY CARE REGISTRATION AND INSPECTION PROJECT FOR THE PERIOD FROM JANUARY 1, 2015 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2015 AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE ALL NECESSARY INSTRUMENTS AND DOCUMENTS [DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES] (\$456,138)
(SUSAN SHERWOOD COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL SERVICES) DL#:2015-00885

**MOTION TO APPROVE:
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CORNELL**

John Fella, Deputy Commissioner of Social Services, explained that there is no cost for this program to the County. The Office of Children and family Services (OCFS) allocate it. This program is used to register family day care service providers that will provide care for 3 to 6 children per household, as well as school age children who are attending kindergarten and grammar school up to the of 13 years of age.

Chair Soskin showed some concern as the cost for this program is as high as \$456,138. Mr. Fella explained that most of the cost is due to the demands of the program, which requires field visits, inspections, documentation and working with the regional office.

3. REF # 3657A APPROVING CONTRACT IN EXCESS OF \$100,000 WITH NEW YORK HEALTH CARE, INC. TO PROVIDE HOME CARE SERVICES TO SENIOR CITIZENS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$140,000 FOR THE PERIOD APRIL 1, 2015 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2016, AND AUTHORIZING ITS EXECUTION BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE [OFFICE FOR THE AGING] (\$140,000)
(JUNE MOLOF DIRECTOR OF OFFICE FOR THE AGING) DL#:2015-00985

**MOTION TO APPROVE:
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CORNELL**

Leg. Schoenberger asked if any local offices could have provided the same services? Mrs. Molof, Director of Office for the Aging, explained that most of these home care agencies have offices in various locations, but for Rockland County she was not aware of any local office that could have provided this program with the same services.

Chair Soskin also requested that Mrs. Molof forward to the Committee a list of the contracted agencies along with their addresses.

4. REF.# 3657B APPROVING CONTRACT IN EXCESS OF \$100,000 WITH COMMUNITY HEALTH AIDE SERVICES, INC. D/B/A COMMUNITY HEALTH CARE TO PROVIDE HOME CARE SERVICES TO QUALIFIED SENIOR CITIZENS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$120,000 FOR THE PERIOD APRIL 1, 2015 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2016 AND AUTHORIZING ITS EXECUTION BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE [OFFICE FOR THE AGING] (\$120,000)
(JUNE MOLOF DIRECTOR OF OFFICE FOR THE AGING) DL#:2015-00936

MOTION TO APPROVE:
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CORNELL

ACTION: Requesting Information regarding the list of the providing agency from Department for the Aging.

Chair Soskin asked if this was a similar type of contract as the one previously discussed. Mrs. Molof Confirmed that all three resolutions presented to the Multi-Services Committee are similar.

Chair Soskin asked if the State provided full funding for this program. Mrs. Molof answered that the County provides 25% of the cost of the contract.

5. REF.# 3657C APPROVING CONTRACT IN EXCESS OF \$100,000 WITH SOPHIE'S HEALTH CARE SERVICES, INC. TO PROVIDE HOME CARE SERVICES TO QUALIFIED SENIOR CITIZENS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$110,000 FOR THE PERIOD APRIL 1, 2015 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2016 AND AUTHORIZING ITS EXECUTION BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE [OFFICE FOR THE AGING] (\$110,000)
(JUNE MOLOF DIRECTOR OF OFFICE FOR THE AGING) DL#:2015-00970

MOTION TO APPROVE:
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CORNELL

MOTION TO ADJOURN:7:15 PM
WIEDER/EARL

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Respectfully, Submitted

Lesly Senatus, Committee Clerk

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