Resolution No.: 19-495

Introduced: June 16, 2020
Adopted: June 16, 2020

## COUNTY COUNCIL FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND

Lead Sponsor: County Council

**SUBJECT**: Amendment to Fiscal Year 2020 Operating Budget

Resolution 19-128, Section G, Fiscal Year 2020 Designation of Entities for Non-Competitive Contract Award Status: Housing Initiative Partnership, Inc.; Latino Economic Development Corporation; Legal Aid Bureau, Inc.; and Montgomery County Renters Alliance, Inc.

## **Background**

- 1. Section 11B-14 (a)(4) of the Montgomery County Code states that "a contract may be awarded without competition if the Chief Administrative Officer makes a written determination that the contract award serves a public purpose and proposed contractor has been identified in a grant or appropriation resolution approved by the Council." The result of this action is to amend the Fiscal Year (FY) 2020 Designation of Entities for Non-Competitive Contract Award Status resolution to include the entities listed below.
- 2. The Chief Administrative Officer has determined that funding for contracts with these entities serves a public purpose and that such an expense would be in the public interest.
- 3. The Department of Housing and Community Affairs (DHCA) will fund contract with the entities listed below from existing appropriation in the General Fund for FY20.
- 4. The Department of Housing and Community Affairs will establish new contracts with Housing Initiative Partnership, Inc.; Latino Economic Development Corporation; Legal Aid Bureau, Inc.; and Montgomery County Renters Alliance, Inc. for tenant support services in four areas, including tenant education services, tenant association organizing services, on-site legal assistance at the District Court of Maryland, and financial literacy and credit counseling.

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## **Action**

The County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland approves the following resolution:

The Council approves an amendment to the designation of Entities for Non-Competitive Contract Award Status and thereby amends Resolution 19-128, Section G, FY 2020 Designation of Entities for Non-Competitive Contract Award. The Chief Administrative Officer has recommended this action and stated that establishing a contract with the entities listed below serves a public purpose and is in the public interest.

The FY 2020 Designation of Entities for Non-Competitive Contract Award Status resolution is amended to read:

- "The DHCA will establish a new contract with the Housing Initiative Partnership, Inc. in the amount of \$30,000 for the purpose of conducting Tenant Education Services and educating tenants on their rights under current laws and regulations and available avenues of assistance."
- "The DHCA will modify a contract with the Latino Economic Development Corporation in the amount of \$45,400 for the purpose of conducting Tenant Education Services and educating tenants on their rights under current laws and regulations and available avenues of assistance."
- "The DHCA will modify a contract with the Legal Aid Bureau, Inc. in the amount of \$47,510 for the purpose of providing On-site Legal Assistance at the Maryland District Court."
- "The DHCA will modify a contract with the Montgomery County Renters Alliance, Inc. in the amount of \$95,090 for the purpose of conducting Tenant Education Services and educating tenants on their rights under current laws and regulations and available avenues of assistance."

This is a correct copy of Council action.

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Clerk of the Council