

RESOLUTION NO. 114 -2013, REQUESTING LEGISLATIVE APPROVAL OF A CONTRACT AWARD FOR ENHANCED BREASTFEEDING PEER COUNSELING PROGRAM SERVICES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES, DIVISION OF PATIENT CARE SERVICES

WHEREAS, Local Law No. 3-1996 requires the County Legislature to approve any contract in excess of \$20,000 awarded pursuant to a Request For Proposals (RFP) process in which only one party responds to the County's solicitation of proposals; and

WHEREAS, New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) requires that the Department of Health Services' Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Program provide an Enhanced Breastfeeding Peer Counseling Program; and

WHEREAS, the Department requires a qualified contractor to provide Enhanced Breastfeeding Peer Counseling Program Services to prenatal and breastfeeding patients of the Department's Health Centers; and

WHEREAS, the County issued a Request for Proposal (RFP) for "Enhanced Breastfeeding Peer Counseling Program Services" for the Department's Division of Patient Care Services; and

WHEREAS, the Purchasing Division of the Department of Public Works advertised for these services and mailed the RFP to three (3) potential vendors and received only one (1) response from Suffolk County Perinatal Coalition, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, an independent evaluation committee reviewed the proposal from Suffolk County Perinatal Coalition, Inc.; and found its quality of work and experience satisfactory, and its cost proposal submission within the industry standards, and have recommended that the Department enter into a contractual agreement with Suffolk County Perinatal Coalition, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, sufficient funds exist in the 2013 Suffolk County Operating Budget to cover the cost of this contract; now, therefore be it

1st RESOLVED, that upon receiving a two-thirds vote of the County Legislature as required by Local Law No. 3-1996 that the Department of Health Services enter into a contractual agreement with Suffolk County Perinatal Coalition, Inc. for the provision of Enhanced Breastfeeding Peer Counseling Program Services; and be it further

2nd RESOLVED, that the County Executive be and hereby is authorized to execute a contract with Suffolk County Perinatal Coalition, Inc.

DATED: March 5, 2013

APPROVED BY:

/s/ Steven Bellone
County Executive of Suffolk County

Date: March 12, 2013