

Introduced by Presiding Officer on request of the County Executive

RESOLUTION NO. 932 -2015, REQUESTING LEGISLATIVE APPROVAL OF A CONTRACT AWARD FOR HOSPITAL DIVERSION/CRISIS RESPITE SERVICES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES, DIVISION OF COMMUNITY MENTAL HYGIENE 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, the Department of Health Services requested an RFP for "Hospital Diversion/Crisis Respite Services" for its Division of Community Mental Hygiene Services; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Health Services requires a qualified contractor to provide Services to create access to community-based, recovery-oriented crisis respite services as a viable alternative option for individuals in psychiatric need who may otherwise use hospital emergency departments and/or in-patient psychiatric care; and

WHEREAS, the Purchasing Division of the Department of Public Works advertised for these services and mailed the RFP to twenty-three (23) potential vendors and received only one response from Family Residences & Essential Enterprises, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, an independent evaluation committee reviewed the proposal from Family Residences & Essential Enterprises, 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 of Health Services enter into a contractual agreement with Family Residences & Essential Enterprises, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, there are sufficient funds in the 2015 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 Family Residences & Essential Enterprises, Inc. for the provision of Hospital Diversion/Crisis Respite Services; and be it further

2ND **RESOLVED**, that the County Executive be and hereby is authorized to execute a contract with Family Residences & Essential Enterprises, Inc.

DATED: November 17, 2015

APPROVED BY:

/s/ Steven Bellone
County Executive of Suffolk County

Date: December 2, 2015