

**A RESOLUTION OF THE NEW YORK CITY
WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
APPROVING A DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM FOR CONTINUING PRE-
APPRENTICE PREPARATION SERVICES AND REPORT
June 22, 2006**

WHEREAS, the Mayor's Commission on Construction Opportunity ("Construction Commission") was created to explore strategies and set goals for ensuring that all New Yorkers, particularly minorities, women, returning veterans and recent high school graduates can be prepared to obtain permanent jobs in the construction industry;

WHEREAS, the City of New York, through the New York City Economic Development Corporation ("EDC") has an existing contract with East Harlem Employment Service, Inc. d/b/a Strive ("Strive") to provide basic work environment skills and construction trades contextual learning services to New Yorkers with significant barriers to employment in the construction industry ("Services");

WHEREAS, the City's contract with EDC was procured in accordance with the City's Procurement Policy Board Rules and EDC's contract with Strive was procured in accordance with the procurement guidelines set forth in its contract with the City;

WHEREAS, it is consistent with the Construction Commission's goals to provide funding for a demonstration program ("Program") for the continuation of such preparatory pre-apprentice Services being provided by Strive through its EDC contract and to provide necessary funding for a comprehensive study and report concerning the criteria for ensuring the successful completion of such a Program;

WHEREAS, the Program is consistent with the Workforce Investment Board's ("WIB") objectives to support Mayoral initiatives in major industrial sectors in the City such as the construction industry;

WHEREAS, such a Program that leverages the funds provided in an existing program would be the most efficient use of federal Workforce Investment Act funds;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the WIB Executive Committee as follows:

1. The Executive Committee approves the establishment of such a Program in accordance with the following:
 - (a) The budget for the Program shall not exceed \$250,000 without the consent of the Executive Committee.
 - (b) The Program shall comply with all applicable WIA eligibility requirements.

(c) The operating period of the Program shall be one (1) year, which may be extended with the consent of the Executive Committee.

2. The Program shall be established pursuant to an amendment to the City's agreement with EDC and EDC's agreement with Strive. Such amended agreements shall be subject to all necessary approvals.