## RESOLUTION 2017-26 MOUNT HOLLY FIRE DISTRICT No. 1

#### RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT FOR LEGAL SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Board of Fire Commissioners of Fire District No. 1, Township of Mount Holly, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey as a public body duly organized under the laws of the State of New Jersey, requires the advice, consultation and other services of an attorney in the conduct of public business for which it is charged; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board is permitted under the law to retain the services of an Attorney; and

WHEREAS, the treasurer of the Board has determined and certified that the value of legal services will exceed seventeen thousand five hundred dollars (\$17,500.00); and

WHEREAS, the term of the Contract is for one (1) year or less; and

WHEREAS, the Board solicited proposals for legal services through a "fair and open" process pursuant to and in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4.5; and

WHEREAS, the Board evaluated the proposals in accordance with the methodology described in the request for proposals and compiled a report relative to same; and

**WHEREAS**, the Treasurer certified the availability of funds for the aforementioned legal services.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Board of Fire Commissioners of Fire District No. 1, Township of Mount Holly, County of Burlington, that it engage and otherwise retain the services of Jay C. Sendzik, Esq. of the firm of Sendzik & Sendzik, 1808 Route 88, Brick, New Jersey for the provision of legal services as set forth in the Request for Proposal and proposed Contract which is attached hereto and made a part hereof as Schedule "A"; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the Director be authorized to execute the Agreement for Legal Services attached hereto as Schedule "A" for an on behalf of the Board and that the Clerk attest to same; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the Determination of Value established by the Treasurer placed on file with this Resolution; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the Clerk of the Board publish a notice in the Burlington County Times summarizing the award of a legal service contract pursuant to and in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4.5(g).

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the Attorney shall only perform those services as directed by the Board at a public meeting or by the Director of the Board; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the Board shall designate a member to review the legal invoices submitted by the Attorney; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the within Resolution shall be effective immediately upon passage; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that any resolution or part of a resolution inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed or otherwise revoked; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that if any section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase in the Resolution is for any reason held or determined to be unconstitutional or invalid, same shall not affect the remainder of this Resolution; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that notwithstanding anything set forth herein to the contrary, the Board shall be permitted to amend, modify, repeal or otherwise act as to those topics which are the subject of the Resolution provided said acts are consistent with public policy, Board bylaws, township ordinances, local, state and federal laws and rules and regulations promulgated thereunder; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that an original signed, conformed and compared copy of this Resolution be accessible and maintained by the Board of Fie Commissioners of Fire District No.1 as an official Board record pursuant to and in accordance with the "Open Public Records Act", N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1 et seq. and the "Destruction of Public Records Law (1953)"; N.J.S.A. 47:3-8.1, *et seq.* as set forth by the State of New Jersey Municipal Agency Record Retention Schedule promulgated by the Division of Archives and Record Management.

### **CERTIFICATION**

I, **STEFANIE HAINES**, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and compared copy of an original Resolution now on file and of record in the District office which was duly adopted at a public meeting held on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2017.

The undersigned further certifies that the above Resolution has not been repealed or amended and remains in full force and effect.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of said Board of Fire Commissioners of Fire District No. 1, Township of Mount Holly on this 5<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2017.

STEFANIE HAINES, CLERK Board of Fire Commissioners Fire District No.1 Township of Mount Holly

Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Donald Pike				
Richard McIlwee				
Joshua Brown				
Stefanie Haines				
Patricia Cauley				

#### **DETERMINATION OF VALUE**

#### MOUNT HOLLY FIRE DISTRICT No. 1

# I, Joshua Brown, being of full age, hereby certify as follows:

- 1. I am the Treasurer of Fire District No. 1, Township of Mount Holly, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey.
- 2. I make this Certification pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4.
- 3. I have reviewed the past two years' invoices for legal services along with the anticipated needs for legal services for fiscal year 2017.
- 4. I have determined that the anticipated value for legal services will exceed \$17,500.
- 5. I have reviewed the proposal of Jay Sendzik of Sendzik & Sendzik for legal services for fiscal year 2017 and certify the availability of funds in the 2017 Budget for said services.

Dated: July 5, 2017

JOSHUA BROWN, Treasurer Commissioners of Fire District No.1 Township of Mount Holly