BOROUGH OF STRATFORD JOINT LAND USE BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 2025:04

RESOLUTION OF BOROUGH OF STRATFORD JOINT LAND USE BOARD APPOINTING ANTHONY COSTA AS SOLICITOR FOR THE BOROUGH OF STRATFORD JOINT LAND USE BOARD FOR THE YEAR 2025

WHEREAS, pursuant to <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 19:44A-20.5 et seq., proposals were solicited by the Borough of Stratford Joint Land Use Board pursuant to a fair and open process for a professional services contract for the position of Solicitor for the Borough of Stratford Joint Land Use Board (the "Board") for a one year term from January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025; and

WHEREAS, proposals were solicited, received and evaluated by the Board based upon the criteria set forth in the publicly advertised Request for Proposals for such services; and

WHEREAS, in conjunction with input from the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough and based upon past practice, the Board has determined that the value of the anticipated professional services contract to be entered into to retain an attorney to act as Solicitor for the Board will exceed the threshold of \$17,500.00 established by N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5•, and

WHEREAS, the Request for Proposals was publicly advertised and proposals opened and announced in accordance with N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5, et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Board has selected Anthony Costa, Esquire, to serve as the Solicitor for the Joint Land Use Board for a one-year term from January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025, based upon the Board's determination of the proposal submitted was the "most advantageous, price and other factors" for the Board, including the skills, knowledge and experience of the proposer and upon the material contained in the response to the Request for Proposals; and

WHEREAS, the services being retained are for Professional Services which are otherwise exempt from public bidding pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified as to the availability of anticipated need for funds from the Borough with the proviso that this contract is subject to the availability of available funds from the Borough for the year 2025 for services rendered to the Borough and further that the payment for consulting fees charged to the Applicant under the terms of this contract is subject to the availability of funds collected and assessed from Applicants' escrow accounts; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough of Stratford Joint Land Use Board as follows:

1. The Borough of Stratford Joint Land Use Board hereby appoints to serve as its Solicitor for a one-year term from January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025 and until such time as another Solicitor is duly appointed.

- 2. The compensation for Solicitor for services as the Solicitor for the 2025 calendar year shall be in accordance with the professional services contract and fee schedule to be entered into between the Borough and Solicitor for a one-year term for 2025.
- 3. The Borough of Stratford Joint Land Use Board is hereby authorized to enter into and the Chairman is authorized to execute, on behalf of the Board, a Professional Services Contract with , to provide legal services and serve as the Solicitor for the Borough of Stratford Joint Land Use Board.

MOVED BY: Mr. St. Maur SECONDED BY: Mr. Keenan

THOSE IN FAVOR: Ms. Campbell, yes, Mr. Hall, yes, Mr. Keenan, yes, Ms. Lomanno, yes, Mr. Morello, yes, Mr. St. Muar, yes, Mr. Walton, yes, Mr. Chicalo, yes, Mr. McGovern, yes

THOSE OPPOSED: none

ABSTAINED: none

Date Approved and Memorialized: January 23, 2025

ATTEST:

Sharon McCart, Secretary

Borough of Stratford Joint Land Use Board

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, Recording Secretary of the Borough of Stratford Joint Land Use Board, does hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by said Board at its meeting held on January 23, 2025.

Dated:	
	Sharon McCart, Secretary
	Borough of Stratford Joint Land Use Board