

**RESOLUTION 24:02**  
**APPOINTMENT OF BOROUGH SOLICITOR**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Stratford has determined it necessary to solicit proposals of qualifications for professional services as Borough Solicitor under a “Fair and Open Process” pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44-20.4 et seq.; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Stratford has determined and certified that the value of the services to be rendered will exceed \$17,500.00; and

**WHEREAS**, the anticipated term of said contract is for a period of one year and shall run from January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Stratford has provided the necessary Public Notice for the solicitation of qualifications for professional services under the Fair and Open Process for a minimum period of ten (10) days; and

**WHEREAS**, the sealed qualifications, due on December 8, 2023, were submitted to the Borough Clerk of the Borough of Stratford, 307 Union Avenue, Stratford, New Jersey; and

**WHEREAS**, Stuart Platt of the firm of The Platt Law Group, P.C. submitted a proposal for Professional Services as Borough Solicitor.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Stratford that the Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized to enter into a contract with Stuart Platt of the firm The Platt Law Group, P.C. for the position of Borough Solicitor in the Borough of Stratford for the calendar year of 2024 pursuant to the “Fair and Open Process” which has been implemented under the “New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to Play” Law under P.L. 2004, Chapter 19 (as amended by P.L. 2005, c.51) N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough has certified the availability of funds in the amount of \$80,000.00 for Borough Solicitor in accounts 4-01-20-155-000-200 which is based on a reasonable estimate of the goods and services required over the contract terms, and the local unit is not obligated to spend that amount.

**CERTIFICATION**

I, Bill Bray, Borough Clerk, do hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true and complete copy of a Resolution duly adopted at a public meeting of the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford held on January 4, 2024.

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BILL BRAY, RMC  
BOROUGH CLERK