

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPLICATION FOR A GRANT WITH RESPECT TO THE CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPPING OF A NEW LIBRARY BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG, IN THE COUNTY OF SOMERSET, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AND EXPRESSING THE BOROUGH'S INTENT TO ADJUST BOND ORDINANCE OR:20/01 TO REFLECT SUCH GRANT AND AUTHORIZE FUNDS SUFFICIENT TO CONSTRUCT AND EQUIP THE NEW LIBRARY**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Council of the Borough of Watchung, in the County of Somerset, State of New Jersey (the "Borough"), on January 16, 2020, introduced, on first reading, Bond Ordinance Number OR:20/01 for the construction and equipping of a new library (the "New Library") appropriating \$6,200,000 therefor and authorizing the issuance of not to exceed \$5,900,000 of bonds or notes to finance the New Library (the "Bond Ordinance"); and

**WHEREAS**, Borough wishes to make application to the State of New Jersey, pursuant to the New Jersey Library Construction Bond Act, P.L. 2017, c.149 for a grant (the "Grant") to fund a portion of the costs of construction and equipping of the New Library on a matching basis; and

**WHEREAS**, if the Borough is awarded the Grant, prior to final adoption of the Bond Ordinance, the Borough intends to adjust the amount of the authorization of bond or notes set forth in the Bond Ordinance to reflect the amount of the Grant and to authorize funds sufficient to complete the construction and equipping of the New Library; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Council now desires to authorize the application for the Grant and express its intent to adjust the amount of bonds or notes authorized in the Bond Ordinance to reflect the Grant, if and when awarded, and to authorize funds in an amount sufficient to construct and equip the New Library; and

**NOW, THEREFOR, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Borough Council of the Borough of Watchung, In the County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, as follows:

**SECTION 1.** The grant application to the State of New Jersey, pursuant to the New Jersey Library Construction Bond Act, P.L. 2017, c.149 is hereby authorized.

**SECTION 2.** Upon the receipt of an award of the Grant, the Council hereby intends to adjust the amount of bond or notes authorized by Bond Ordinance OR:20/01 to reflect the Grant and to authorize funds in an amount sufficient to construct and equip the New Library.

**SECTION 3.** This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Council

Keith S. Balla, Mayor

### CERTIFICATION

I, Michelle DeRocco, Clerk of The Borough of Watchung, in the County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that this resolution is a true, complete and correct copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Borough Council at a meeting duly called and held \_\_\_\_\_, 2020, in full compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., at which meeting a quorum was present and acting throughout and which resolution has not been repealed, amended or rescinded but remains in full force and effect on and as of the date hereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal of said Borough this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2020.

(SEAL)

Michelle DeRocco, RMC  
Clerk of the Borough of Watchung

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WHEREAS, it is necessary to retain the services of a Professional Financial Advisor for assistance with the financing for a new Library; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Watchung solicited a proposal from Phoenix Advisors, LLC and this proposal was reviewed and this proposal was reviewed by the Borough Administrator and recommended for award; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Finance Officer has determined and certified that funds for these authorized contracts are provided for in Bond Ordinance OR:01/10.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Watchung that the Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute a contract for the services of the following Professional for the purpose of providing financial advisory services and assistance relating to the construction of the Watchung Library, in accordance with the proposal dated January 29, 2020, copy attached:

Award to: Phoenix Advisors, LLC, 624 Farnsworth Ave., Bordentown, NJ 08505  
Amount: Not to exceed \$10,000.

BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED that this contract was not awarded through a "fair and open process" pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq. but has been awarded based on the merits and ability of Millennium Strategies to provide the services describe herein. As herewith attached, Millennium Strategies attests that their subsidiaries, assigns or principals controlling in excess of 10% of the company has neither made a contribution that is reportable pursuant to the Election Law Enforcement Commission pursuant to N.J.S.A. 1944A-8 or 19:44A-16, in the one (1) year period preceding the award of the contract that would, pursuant to P.L. 2004, c.19, affect its eligibility to perform this contract, nor will it make a reportable contribution during their term of the contract to any State, County, or Municipal Committee of a political party; any legislative leadership Committee; any continuing political Committee; and candidate committee of a candidate for, or holder of, an elective office, when the contract is awarded; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized to advertise the award of this contract within ten days from the date hereof in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1, et seq.).

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WHEREAS, it is necessary to retain the services of a Professional Grant Writer for assistance with the preparation and submission of the New Jersey Library Construction Bond Act Grant Application; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Watchung solicited a proposal from Millennium Strategies and this proposal was reviewed and this proposal was reviewed by the Borough Administrator and recommended for award; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Finance Officer has determined and certified that funds for these authorized contracts are provided for in Bond Ordinance OR:01/10.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Watchung that the Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute a contract for the services of the following Professional for the purpose of providing Grant Writing assistance relating to the construction of the Watchung Library, in accordance with the proposal dated January 21, 2020, copy attached:

Award to: Millennium Strategies, 60 Columbia Rd, Suite 230, Morristown, NJ 07960  
Amount: Not to exceed \$7,500.00

BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED that this contract was not awarded through a "fair and open process" pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq. but has been awarded based on the merits and ability of Millennium Strategies to provide the services describe herein. As herewith attached, Millennium Strategies attests that their subsidiaries, assigns or principals controlling in excess of 10% of the company has neither made a contribution that is reportable pursuant to the Election Law Enforcement Commission pursuant to N.J.S.A. 1944A-8 or 19:44A-16, in the one (1) year period preceding the award of the contract that would, pursuant to P.L. 2004, c.19, affect its eligibility to perform this contract, nor will it make a reportable contribution during their term of the contract to any State, County, or Municipal Committee of a political party; any legislative leadership Committee; any continuing political Committee; and candidate committee of a candidate for, or holder of, an elective office, when the contract is awarded; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized to advertise the award of this contract within ten days from the date hereof in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1, et seq.).

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**RESOLUTION**

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**WHEREAS**, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b)(1-9) permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Council is of the opinion that such circumstances exist.

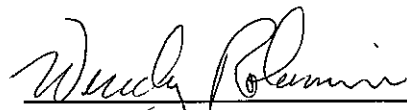
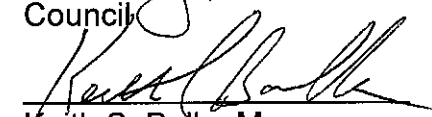
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Borough Council of the Borough of Watchung, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The public shall be excluded from discussion of and action on the closed session of the Special Meeting held on January 30, 2020.
2. The general nature of the subject matter to be discussed is as follows:

Executive Session:

Personnel Matters  
Contract Negotiations

3. Minutes of said discussion will be made available as soon as it is deemed in the public interest to do so.
4. The Borough Council may take official action on those items discussed in Executive Session upon completion of the executive session.
5. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

  
Council  
  
Keith S. Balla, Mayor

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