## RESOLUTION NO. 04-2022 AWARD OF A FAIR AND OPEN CONTRACT SPECIAL COUNSEL FOR EDUCATIONAL ISSUES Porzio, Bromberg & Newman, P.C.

Councilmember Bieber introduced and offered the following Resolution for its adoption; seconded by Councilmember Birdsall:

WHEREAS, there exists a need to appoint a qualified Special/Conflicts Counsel for Educational Issues in the Borough of Sea Bright; and

WHEREAS, a request for proposals for the above-mentioned professional service was posted and advertised in the Asbury Park Press to be received on December 10, 2021; and,

WHEREAS, while the Local Public Contracts Law N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5 (1)(a) does not require competitive bidding for such professional services, the Borough nevertheless advertised pursuant to the fair and open process (N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5); and

WHEREAS, two proposals for Special/Conflicts Counsel for Educational Issues were received on December 10, 2021 and evaluated by the Governing Body with due consideration as to qualifications, experience, compensation and other factors and criteria; and

## **CERTIFICATION OF FUNDS:**

I, Michael J. Bascom, Chief Financial Officer, hereby certify that based on the amount of funds expended in the prior year for these services, it is estimated that the total 2022 appropriation for this contract will be \$20,000.00, said amount subject to unforeseen decreases or increases in litigation and other legal matters. Funds will be provided for in the 2022 Temporary Budget and in the Budget for the year 2022, when finally adopted, in the appropriation entitled Legal #2-01-20-155-000.

MICHAEL J. BASCOM, CFO

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough Council of the Borough of Sea Bright, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey do hereby authorize the Mayor and Borough Clerk to execute a contract with KERRI A. WRIGHT of the firm Porzio, Bromberg & Newman, P.C. for Special Counsel for litigation relating to educational matters for a one (1) year term commencing January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022 pursuant to the rate and terms set forth in the submitted proposal; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized to advertise this award of contract according to law in the local newspaper and is further authorized to forward a certified copy of this resolution to the following:

Kerri A. Wright 1.

Finance Manager 2.

Roll Call:

Bieber,

Birdsall,

Catalano, Booker,

Keeler,

Lamia

Yes

Yes

Yes

Yes

Yes

Yes

January 8, 2022

CERTIFICATION

I, Christine Pfeiffer, Borough Clerk do hereby certify that the foregoing is a Resolution adopted by the Borough Council of the Borough of Sea Bright, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, at a Council meeting held on January 8, 2022.

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