

MONROE TOWNSHIP, MIDDLESEX COUNTY

RESOLUTION NO.: R-12-2023-253

**RESOLUTION OF THE MONROE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND TOWNSHIP CLERK TO ENTER INTO
AN INTER-LOCAL/SHARED SERVICES CONTRACT
WITH THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND HEALTH,
OFFICE OF HEALTH SERVICES
FOR THE PROVISION OF PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES**

WHEREAS, the County of Middlesex has created the Middlesex County Office of Health Services pursuant to N.J.S.A. 26:3A2-1 et seq., to provide an array of public health services; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Monroe, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, is desirous of contracting with the County for the furnishing by the County to the Township of Monroe, health services of a technical and professional nature as more fully set forth within the attached form of contract; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to enact an Inter-Local Services Contract with the County of Middlesex, Department of Public Safety and Health, Office of Health Services, for the Township to benefit from these services; and

WHEREAS, the Township's Certified Municipal Finance Officer has certified in Certificate No. _____, a copy of which is attached hereto, that sufficient funds are available; and

WHEREAS, the Inter-Local Services Contract to be entered into between the Township of Monroe and the County of Middlesex, Department of Public Safety and Health, Office of Health Services, a form of which is annexed hereto, shall have a duration of two (2) years, commencing January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the base cost for the provision of the aforesaid health services for Year 2024 is projected to be **\$105,061.15**. The cost for Year 2025 is projected to be **\$107,162.37**.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, in the County of Middlesex, and State of New Jersey, that the Mayor and Township Clerk be and are hereby authorized to enter into an Inter-local Services Contract with the County of Middlesex, Department of Public Safety and Health, Office of Health Services; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, prior to the execution of said Contract, the Township Attorney is authorized to review said Contract as to form and substance, and to make any changes deemed to be necessary and/or appropriate.

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

MIRIAM COHEN, Council President

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true and exact copy of a Resolution adopted by the Monroe Township Council at its meeting held on December 4, 2023.

PATRICIA REID, Township Clerk

MONROE TOWNSHIP, MIDDLESEX COUNTY

RESOLUTION NO.: R-12-2023-254

**RESOLUTION OF THE MONROE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
AUTHORIZING AWARD OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT
TO GABEL ASSOCIATES, INC. TO ADMINISTER
THE MUNICIPAL ENERGY AGGREGATION PROGRAM
IN THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE**

WHEREAS, by virtue of Resolution R-8-2013-181 the Township Council awarded a professional service contract to Gabel Associates, Inc., as the result of a Request for Proposals process, to provide energy consultant services for the administration of the Township’s municipal energy aggregation program referred to as the Monroe Township Community Energy Aggregation (“MTCEA”); and

WHEREAS, Gabel Associates, Inc. is a duly registered energy agent and energy consultant in good standing with the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities, has provided high quality services and has successfully administered several rounds of the MTCEA program, resulting in millions of dollars in electricity cost savings for participating Township residents; and

WHEREAS, the Township desires to continue to utilize Gabel Associates, Inc. to administer the procurement process for a replacement contract for electric power supply for Round V of the MTCEA in order to continue this successful program; and

WHEREAS, the fee structure proposed by Gabel Associates results in an energy agent fee paid by the winning supplier, with no out-of-pocket consulting services payments made or owed by the Township.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, in the County of Middlesex, that the Mayor and Township Clerk be and are hereby authorized and directed to execute a contract with **Gabel Associates, Inc. 417 Denison Street, Highland Park, NJ 08904**, under the terms and conditions as reflected in the attached agreement, for a term ending December 31, 2026 with the option to extend for an additional two (2) years upon mutual consent of Monroe Township and Gabel Associates Inc.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a Notice of this act shall be printed once in the Home News Tribune.

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

MIRIAM COHEN, Council President

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true and exact copy of a Resolution adopted by the Monroe Township Council at its meeting held on December 4, 2023.

PATRICIA REID, Township Clerk

MONROE TOWNSHIP, MIDDLESEX COUNTY

RESOLUTION NO.: R-12-2023-255

**RESOLUTION OF THE MONROE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
AUTHORIZING BUDGET APPROPRIATION TRANSFERS**

WHEREAS, there are certain 2023 budget appropriations of the Township of Monroe which may be insufficient to meet the requirements of the Township's affairs; and

WHEREAS, there are certain other budget appropriations where there are unexpended balances which will not be used for such purposes; and

WHEREAS, Revised Statutes 40A:4-59 provides for the transfer from such accounts that have unexpended balances to those accounts which have deficiencies.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe that the transfers itemized below are hereby authorized among the following 2023 accounts:

<u>CURRENT FUND TRANSFER FROM</u>	<u>TRANSFER AMOUNT</u>
Ambulance OE	\$ 6,000.00
TOTAL CURRENT FUND:	\$ 6,000.00

<u>TRANSFER TO:</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
DCRP	\$ 6,000.00
TOTAL CURRENT FUND:	\$ 6,000.00

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

MIRIAM COHEN, Council President

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true and exact copy of a Resolution adopted by the Monroe Township Council at its meeting held on December 4, 2023.

PATRICIA REID, Township Clerk

MONROE TOWNSHIP, MIDDLESEX COUNTY

RESOLUTION NO.: R-12-2023-256

**RESOLUTION OF THE MONROE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A SHARED SERVICE AGREEMENT
BY AND BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX
AND THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE
FOR THE LITTER PICK UP PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, Middlesex County has undertaken a Clean Communities program for the residents of Middlesex County; and

WHEREAS, the Program will be implemented by the County Division of Environmental Health/Solid Waste Management (DSWM) in certain municipalities in the County; and

WHEREAS, in order to implement the Program, Middlesex County will provide funding to municipalities to pick up litter on County maintained roads; and

WHEREAS, Middlesex County and Monroe Township are authorized to enter into this Agreement, pursuant to the Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act, N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1, et seq; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Monroe, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, is desirous of contracting with Middlesex County, as more fully set forth in the attached “Litter Pick Up Program Agreement”.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, in the County of Middlesex and State of New Jersey, that the above referenced and attached Agreement with Middlesex County be executed by the Mayor and Township Clerk, effective January 1, 2024 and ending on December 31, 2028, or for such shorter period as may be dictated by the exhaustion of available funds or unless earlier terminated as provided within attached Agreement.

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

MIRIAM COHEN, Council President

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true and exact copy of a Resolution adopted by the Monroe Township Council at its meeting held on December 4, 2023.

PATRICIA REID, Township Clerk

MONROE TOWNSHIP, MIDDLESEX COUNTY

RESOLUTION NO.: R-12-2023-257

**RESOLUTION OF THE MONROE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
AUTHORIZING AWARD OF CONTRACT TO
TWIN RIVERS ANIMAL HOSPITAL
FOR MEDICAL CARE OF STRAY ANIMALS
FOUND WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE
FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2024**

WHEREAS, the Township of Monroe has a need to acquire services related to the Medical Care of stray animals found within the Township of Monroe for Calendar Year 2024, as a non-fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of *N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5*; and

WHEREAS, the Contract will be open-ended and based on unit pricing as outlined in the Contract, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit “A”; and

WHEREAS, the anticipated term of this contract is one (1) year, effective January 1, 2024 and expiring December 31, 2024; and

WHEREAS, Twin Rivers Animal Hospital, 650 NJ 33, East Windsor, NJ 08520 has submitted a Contract indicating they will provide the referenced services; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to *N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.4*, the Certified Municipal Finance Officer has certified the availability of funds in Certificate No. _____ a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit “B”;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey as follows:

(1) The Mayor and Township Clerk be and are hereby authorized to enter into a contract with Twin Rivers Animal Hospital, 650 NJ 33, East Windsor, NJ 08520 in accordance with the contract attached hereto as Exhibit “A”, effective January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024;

(2) The Certified Municipal Finance Officer is hereby authorized and directed to pay invoices for services rendered by Twin Rivers Animal Hospital, as outlined within the Contract during the 2024 contractual year;

(3) This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a professional service in accordance with *N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)* of the Local Public Contracts Law because the contract is for a service performed by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession that is regulated by law;

(4) This contract is awarded with the stipulation that the Twin Rivers Animal Hospital contract shall include mandatory Affirmative Action language, and Veterinary Surgical and Diagnostic Specialists shall submit to the Township of Monroe any appropriate Affirmative Action documents within the time period prescribed by law.

(5) A notice of this action shall be printed once in the Home News Tribune.

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

MIRIAM COHEN, Council President

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true and exact copy of a Resolution adopted by the Monroe Township Council at its meeting held on December 4, 2023.

PATRICIA REID, Township Clerk

MONROE TOWNSHIP, MIDDLESEX COUNTY

RESOLUTION NO.: R-12-2023-258

**RESOLUTION OF THE MONROE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
AUTHORIZING AWARD OF CONTRACT TO
NORTHSTAR VETS
FOR MEDICAL CARE OF STRAY ANIMALS
FOUND WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE
FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2024**

WHEREAS, the Township of Monroe has a need to acquire services related to the Medical Care of stray animals found within the Township of Monroe for Calendar Year 2024, as a non-fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of *N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5*; and

WHEREAS, the Contract will be open-ended and based on unit pricing as outlined in the Contract, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and

WHEREAS, the anticipated term of this contract is one (1) year, effective January 1, 2024 and expiring December 31, 2024; and

WHEREAS, NorthStar VETS, 315 Robbinsville-Allentown Rd., Robbinsville, NJ 08691 has submitted a Contract indicating they will provide the referenced services; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to *N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.4*, the Certified Municipal Finance Officer has certified the availability of funds in Certificate No. _____, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "B";

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey as follows:

(1) The Mayor and Township Clerk be and are hereby authorized to enter into a contract with NorthStar VETS, 315 Robbinsville-Allentown Rd., Robbinsville, NJ 08691 in accordance with the contract attached hereto as Exhibit "A", effective January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024;

(2) The Certified Municipal Finance Officer is hereby authorized and directed to pay invoices for services rendered by NorthStar VETS, as outlined within the Contract during the 2023 contractual year;

(3) This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a professional service in accordance with *N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)* of the Local Public Contracts Law because the contract is for a service performed by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession that is regulated by law;

(4) This contract is awarded with the stipulation that the NorthStar VETS contract shall include mandatory Affirmative Action language, and Veterinary Surgical and Diagnostic Specialists shall submit to the Township of Monroe any appropriate Affirmative Action documents within the time period prescribed by law.

(5) A notice of this action shall be printed once in the Home News Tribune.

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

MIRIAM COHEN, Council President

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true and exact copy of a Resolution adopted by the Monroe Township Council at its meeting held on December 4, 2023.

PATRICIA REID, Township Clerk

MONROE TOWNSHIP, MIDDLESEX COUNTY

RESOLUTION NO.: R-12-2023-259

**RESOLUTION OF THE MONROE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND TOWNSHIP CLERK
TO EXECUTE A SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT
BY AND BETWEEN
THE TOWNSHIP OF OLD BRIDGE AND TOWNSHIP OF MONROE
FOR ANIMAL SHELTER SERVICES FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2024**

WHEREAS, the Township of Old Bridge owns and operates a municipal animal shelter (the “Shelter”); and

WHEREAS, the Shelter complies with all New Jersey State Health Department regulations and Middlesex County Health Department regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Monroe has a need to acquire services related to the housing and feeding of stray animals found within the Township of Monroe; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Old Bridge and the Township of Monroe would like to enter into a shared services agreement wherein the Township of Old Bridge will provide animal impoundment services to the Township of Monroe; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:65-4 of the Uniform Shared Services Act, the Township of Old Bridge and Township of Monroe are authorized to enter into a shared services agreement provided the agreement is duly authorized by the governing bodies of each municipality; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Old Bridge and Township of Monroe have each adopted resolution authorizing the execution of this shared services agreement (the “Agreement”); and

WHEREAS, the term of this Agreement is January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024 with the cost of service being \$15,600.00 per year (\$1,300.00 per month) as an administrative fee and \$30.00 per day Daily Boarding Fee, \$32.00 per day Daily Boarding Fee (Quarantine), \$45.00 per day Daily Boarding Fee (vicious/potentially dangerous dog) and transportation to the Township of Monroe’s veterinarian at \$25.00 per occurrence; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to *N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.4*, the Certified Municipal Finance Officer has certified the availability of funds in Certificate No. _____ a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit “A”;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey as follows:

(1) The Mayor and Township Clerk be and are hereby authorized to enter into a Shared Services Agreement with the Township of Old Bridge, 1 Old Bridge Plaza, Old Bridge, New Jersey 08857 in accordance with the Agreement attached hereto as Exhibit “A”, effective January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024;

(2) The Certified Municipal Finance Officer is hereby authorized and directed to pay invoices for services rendered by the Township of Old Bridge in the amounts outlined within the Agreement.

(3) This Agreement is entered into without competitive bidding as a shared service in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:65-4 of the Uniform Shared Services Act;

(4) A certified copy of this Resolution and Agreement shall be forwarded to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services;

(5) A notice of this action shall be printed once in the Home News Tribune.

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

MIRIAM COHEN, Council President

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true and exact copy of a Resolution adopted by the Monroe Township Council at its special meeting held on December 4, 2023.

PATRICIA REID, Township Clerk

MONROE TOWNSHIP, MIDDLESEX COUNTY

RESOLUTION NO.: R-12-2023-260

**RESOLUTION OF THE MONROE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
AUTHORIZING AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO UNIVAR SOLUTIONS USA, INC.
FOR CONTRACT 528 - "SODIUM HYDROXIDE 50%"
BY THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT (M.T.U.D.)**

WHEREAS, November 9, 2023, two (2) sealed bids were received, and publicly opened and read aloud, by the Monroe Township Utility Department for Contract 528, "Sodium Hydroxide 50%", required by the M.T.U.D.

WHEREAS, Univar Solutions USA, Inc. is the lowest responsible bidder for each of the (2) two years bid, and

WHEREAS, the Monroe Township Purchasing Agent reviewed Univar's bid and found it to be responsive and responsible, and has recommended in a letter dated November 13, 2023, a one (1) year contract with a one (1) year optional extension be awarded to the low bidder Univar Solutions USA, Inc. based on their unit price bid for Sodium Hydroxide 50% of 2.2776 for year 1, and 2.5166 for optional extension year two, per gallon respectively, and estimated quantities contained within their bid documents, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "B"; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.4, the Township Chief Municipal Finance Officer has certified availability of funds in Certificate No. M-230023 a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and

WHEREAS, Univar Solutions USA, Inc. has submitted all the required documents with their bid; and

WHEREAS, by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that it has rendered its advice and hereby consents to the award of a contract to Univar Solutions USA, Inc. for "Sodium Hydroxide 50%" for Monroe Township Utility Department; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.5(d)(1)(ii), multi-year contracts entered into for periods in excess of twelve (12) months shall be certified and charged to the respective budgets in accordance with the time(s) at which the respective work or services are performed or liability for payment is otherwise incurred. Accordingly, commitments and payments required in excess of the initial twelve (12) months are contingent upon necessary funds being appropriated in future budgets by a subsequent governing body.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey as follows:

(1) The Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized to enter into a one (1) year with an optional one (1) year extension contract Univar Solutions USA, Inc. in accordance with their submitted bid.

(2) The Township Chief Municipal Finance Officer is hereby authorized and directed to pay invoices for material delivered by Univar Solutions USA, Inc. in accordance with their bid.

(3) The contracts are awarded through the competitive bidding process as a fair and open contract in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law.

(4) This contract is awarded with the stipulation that Univar Solutions USA, Inc. shall provide a properly executed certificate of insurance as required by the specifications.

(5) Payments required in excess of the initial twelve (12) months are contingent upon necessary funds being appropriated in future budgets by the governing body.

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

MIRIAM COHEN, Council President

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify the foregoing Resolution is a true and exact copy of a Resolution adopted by the Monroe Township Council at its meeting held on December 4, 2023.

PATRICIA REID, Township Clerk

MONROE TOWNSHIP, MIDDLESEX COUNTY

RESOLUTION NO.: R-12-2023-261

**RESOLUTION OF THE MONROE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
REJECTING ALL PROPOSALS FOR COMPETITIVE CONTRACT RFP
“WATER AND SANITARY SEWER SERVICE REPAIR PLANS FOR
MONROE TOWNSHIP RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY OWNERS”
BY THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPT. (M.T.U.D.)**

WHEREAS, on July 20, 2023, two (2) sealed proposals were received, publicly opened, and read aloud, by the Monroe Township Purchasing manager for Competitive Contract RFP “Water and Sanitary Sewer Service Repair Plans for Monroe Township Residential Property Owners”; and

WHEREAS, as permitted by statute, the Township requested and was granted by both submitting firms, a ninety (90) day extension to the sixty (60) day award period; and

WHEREAS, the Township has decided to abandon the project for the RFP services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey as follows:

- (1) The proposals submitted by American Water Resources, LLC and Utility Service Partners Private Label, Inc. d/b/a/ Service Line Warranties of America be rejected as per N.J.S.A. 40a:11-13.2(c).

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

MIRIAM COHEN, Council President

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify the foregoing Resolution is a true and exact copy of a Resolution adopted by the Monroe Township Council at its meeting held on December 4, 2023.

PATRICIA REID, Township Clerk

MONROE TOWNSHIP, MIDDLESEX COUNTY

RESOLUTION NO.: R-12-2023-262

RESOLUTION OF THE MONROE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT
WITH CENTER STATE ENGINEERING
FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES IN CONNECTION
WITH NJDOT 2022 INWOOD ESTATES ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS

WHEREAS, the Township of Monroe seeks professional engineering, surveying and planning services in connection with the *NJDOT 2022 Inwood Estates Roadway Improvements*; and

WHEREAS, Center State Engineering possesses the technical expertise required to perform said professional engineering services for this project; and

WHEREAS, the fees for such services will not exceed fifty thousand dollars (**\$50,000.00**); and

WHEREAS, the Certified Municipal Finance Officer has certified the availability of funds for such an engagement in Certificate No. _____, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit “A”; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) authorizes the award of contracts for “professional services” without competitive bids and further provides that the contract itself must be available for public inspection; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey as follows:

- (1) The Mayor and Township Clerk be and are hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached contract with *Center State Engineering, 481 Spotswood-Englishtown Road, Monroe Township, NJ 08831*, in accordance with the Agreement annexed hereto.
- (2) The Department of Finance is hereby authorized and directed to pay Invoices for services rendered by Center State Engineering for the professional engineering, surveying and planning services in connection with *NJDOT 2022 Inwood Estates Roadway Improvements* in an amount not to exceed fifty thousand dollars (**\$50,000.00**).
- (3) The Contract is awarded with the stipulation that *Center State Engineering* shall include within the Contract Mandatory Affirmative Action language and shall submit to the Township of Monroe any appropriate Affirmative Action document within the time period prescribed by law.
- (4) A notice of this action shall be printed once in the Home News Tribune.

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

MIRIAM COHEN, Council President

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true and exact copy of a Resolution adopted by the Monroe Township Council at its meeting held on December 4, 2023.

PATRICIA REID, Township Clerk

MONROE TOWNSHIP, MIDDLESEX COUNTY

RESOLUTION NO.: R-12-2023-263

**RESOLUTION OF THE MONROE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT
WITH CENTER STATE ENGINEERING
FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES IN CONNECTION
WITH BUILDING DEMOLITION AND SITE IMPROVEMENTS AT
BLOCK 75, LOT 15 (GARVEY'S) AND BLOCK 28, LOT 14 (1565 PERRINEVILLE RD)**

WHEREAS, the Township of Monroe seeks professional engineering, surveying and planning services in connection with the *Building Demolition and Site Improvements at Block 75, Lot 15 (Garvey's) and Block 28, Lot 14 (1565 Perrineville Rd.)*; and

WHEREAS, Center State Engineering possesses the technical expertise required to perform said professional engineering services for this project; and

WHEREAS, the fees for such services will not exceed twenty seven thousand dollars (\$27,000.00); and

WHEREAS, the Certified Municipal Finance Officer has certified the availability of funds for such an engagement in Certificate No. _____, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) authorizes the award of contracts for "professional services" without competitive bids and further provides that the contract itself must be available for public inspection; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey as follows:

- (1) The Mayor and Township Clerk be and are hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached contract with *Center State Engineering, 481 Spotswood-Englishtown Road, Monroe Township, NJ 08831*, in accordance with the Agreement annexed hereto.
- (2) The Department of Finance is hereby authorized and directed to pay Invoices for services rendered by Center State Engineering for the professional engineering, surveying and planning services in connection with *Building Demolition and Site Improvements at Block 75, Lot 15 (Garvey's) and Block 28, Lot 14 (1565 Perrineville Rd.* in an amount not to exceed twenty seven thousand dollars (\$27,000.00).
- (3) The Contract is awarded with the stipulation that *Center State Engineering* shall include within the Contract Mandatory Affirmative Action language and shall submit to the Township of Monroe any appropriate Affirmative Action document within the time period prescribed by law.
- (4) A notice of this action shall be printed once in the Home News Tribune.

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

MIRIAM COHEN, Council President

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true and exact copy of a Resolution adopted by the Monroe Township Council at its meeting held on December 4, 2023.

PATRICIA REID, Township Clerk

MONROE TOWNSHIP, MIDDLESEX COUNTY

RESOLUTION NO.: R-12-2023-264

**RESOLUTION OF THE MONROE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION
AND APPROVING EXECUTION OF A GRANT AGREEMENT
WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION,
LOCAL FREIGHT IMPACT FUND FOR SOUTH MIDDLESEX
INDUSTRIAL PARK ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS, PHASE 2**

WHEREAS, the Township of Monroe is desirous of filing an application for municipal aid under the Local Freight Impact Fund for certain municipal improvements which qualify for said funding;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of Monroe hereby authorizes and approved submission of a Grant Application and execution of a Grant Agreement with the New Jersey Department of Transportation for the South Middlesex Industrial Park Roadway Improvements, Phase 2; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to submit an electronic Grant Application, on behalf of the Township of Monroe, identified as LFIF-2024-South Middlesex Industrial Park Roadway Improvements, Phase 2-00043 for Monroe Township to the New Jersey Department of Transportation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to execute the Grant Agreement, on behalf of the Township of Monroe, and that their signatures constitute acceptance of the terms and conditions of the Grant Agreement and approval of the execution of the Grant Agreement.

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

MIRIAM COHEN, Council President

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true and exact copy of a Resolution adopted by the Monroe Township Council at its meeting held on December 4, 2023.

PATRICIA REID, Township Clerk

MONROE TOWNSHIP, MIDDLESEX COUNTY

RESOLUTION NO.: R-12-2023-265

RESOLUTION OF THE MONROE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
AUTHORIZING REFUND OF CONSTRUCTION PERMIT FEES

WHEREAS, the Construction Official, by copy of letter dated November 16, 2023, copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit “A”, has recommended the Council approve the following construction permit refunds:

Refund to:	Reason	Amount
Skyline Solar, LLC 4 Crossroads Drive Suite 116 Hamilton, N.J. 08691	Permit # 20231486 Requests refund due to permit cancelled. Homeowner at 5 Mountain Ash Court has cancelled solar panel installation.	\$ 636.00

WHEREAS, Council has reviewed the recommendation of the Construction Official and finds the request for the above refund to be reasonable;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that the request is hereby authorized and that a refund be made to **Skyline Solar, LLC. in the amount of \$636.00**.

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

MIRIAM COHEN, Council President

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true and exact copy of a Resolution adopted by the Monroe Township Council at its meeting held on December 4, 2023.

PATRICIA REID, Township Clerk

MONROE TOWNSHIP, MIDDLESEX COUNTY

RESOLUTION NO.: R-12-2023-266

**RESOLUTION OF THE MONROE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH
HORIZON BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF NEW JERSEY
FOR HEALTHCARE INSURANCE AND PRESCRIPTION COVERAGE
FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2024**

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5 that Monroe Township and the Monroe Township Utility Department (“M.T.U.D.”) may procure a professional service without the necessity of advertising for bids pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield of New Jersey (“Horizon BCBSNJ”), 1427 Wyckoff Road, Wall, NJ 07727 has prepared a proposal and schedule of rates and services which shall be the basis for payment for Healthcare Insurance; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law Regulations N.J.A.C. 5:34-1 et seq. the Township desires to retain Horizon BCBSNJ as the Healthcare provider, this Contract will be for a period of one (1) year effective January 1, 2024 until December 31, 2024; and

WHEREAS, said services provided by Horizon BCBSNJ would be subject to contracting requirements for Extraordinary Unspecified Services pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:34-2.1 et seq. only if they exceed the threshold amount established by N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3; and

WHEREAS, the Township’s Certified Municipal Finance Officer has determined that sufficient funds are available in the Township budget per attached unit pricing, as evidenced by Certification No. C-_____, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit “A”; and

WHEREAS, the Township’s Certified Municipal Finance Officer has further determined that sufficient funds are available in the Township Utility budget, per attached unit pricing, as evidenced by Certification No. M-_____, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit “B”;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County Middlesex, State of New Jersey, that the Business Administrator is hereby authorized to execute the Prescription Rate Renewal Summary and Health Rate Renewal Summary with Horizon BCBSNJ Insurance for Healthcare services and prescription coverage for Calendar year 2024.

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

MIRIAM COHEN, Council President

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true and exact copy of a Resolution adopted by the Monroe Township Council at its meeting held on December 4, 2023.

PATRICIA REID, Township Clerk

MONROE TOWNSHIP, MIDDLESEX COUNTY

RESOLUTION NO.: R-12-2023-267

**RESOLUTION OF THE MONROE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
AUTHORIZING REFUND OF TAX OVERPAYMENTS**

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector for the Township of Monroe has recommended this Council's approval to make refunds for tax overpayments in the amount of Thirty-Three Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty-Two dollars and Forty-Four cents (\$33,852.44) for the amounts described on Schedule A and attached hereto

WHEREAS, good cause has been shown

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe in the County of Middlesex and State of New Jersey that the Township's Certified Municipal Finance Officer be and is hereby directed to draw a check from the General Account refunding the Tax overpayments described above to be distributed as set forth on the attached Schedule A:

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

MIRIAM COHEN, Council President

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution is a true and exact copy of a Resolution adopted by the Monroe Township Council at its meeting held on December 4, 2023.

PATRICIA REID, Township Clerk

MONROE TOWNSHIP, MIDDLESEX COUNTY

RESOLUTION NO.: R-12-2023-268

**RESOLUTION OF THE MONROE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
AUTHORIZING MODIFICATIONS TO PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACTS
WITH LOUIS RAINONE, ESQ. OF THE FIRM RAINONE, COUGHLIN, MINCHELLO
FOR 2023 GENERAL LEGAL SERVICES AND DANIEL ANTONELLI, OF THE FIRM
ANTONELLI KANTOR AS 2023 TAX APPEAL ATTORNEY
FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE**

WHEREAS, Resolution No. R-1-2023-003, adopted by the Monroe Township Council at its meeting held on January 4, 2023, authorized a Professional Service Contract with Louis Rainone Esq and Rainone, Coughlin, Minchello for General Legal Services required by the Township of Monroe for calendar year 2023 in an amount not to exceed \$381,307.00; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. R-1-2023-004, adopted by the Monroe Township Council at its meeting held on January 4, 2023, authorized a Professional Service Contract with Daniel Antonelli of the firm Antonelli Kantor as 2023 Tax Appeal Attorney for the Township of Monroe in an amount not to exceed \$110,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the Professional Service contract for 2023 General Legal Services shall be increased by \$55,000.00, with the new contract amount not to exceed \$436,307.00; and

WHEREAS, the Professional Service contract for 2023 Tax Appeal Attorney shall be decreased by \$55,000.00, with the new contract amount not to exceed \$55,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council has reviewed the request and has found same to be reasonable; and

WHEREAS, the Certified Municipal Finance Officer has certified the availability of funds in Certificate Nos. C-2300013 and C-2300014 copies of which are attached hereto;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, authorization is hereby given to increase and modify the 2023 Legal Services contract in the amount of Fifty-five thousand dollars (\$55,000) and decrease and modify the 2023 Tax Appeal Attorney contract in the amount of Fifty five thousand dollars (\$55,000).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the amendments to the agreements attached hereto.

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

MIRIAM COHEN, Council President

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true and exact copy of a Resolution adopted by the Monroe Township Council at its meeting held on December 4, 2023.

PATRICIA REID, Township Clerk

MONROE TOWNSHIP, MIDDLESEX COUNTY

RESOLUTION NO.: R-12-2023-269

**RESOLUTION OF THE MONROE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF A PERFORMANCE GUARANTEES
UPON THE ACCEPTANCE OF A MAINTENANCE GUARANTEE
POSTED FOR MAJESTIC WOODS – REMAINING LOTS – PB-975-05**

WHEREAS, Majestic Woods Associates, LLC has posted Performance Guarantees for the Block 60, Lots 21.06 & 21.07 project (PB-975-05); and

WHEREAS, a request was made for the release of the Performance Guarantees posted for this project; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 108-13.1 F and G of the Code of the Township of Monroe, the Township Engineer, by copy of letter dated November 21, 2023, has recommended, release of the Performance Guarantees; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council has reviewed and hereby approves the recommendations of the Township Engineer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that release of the project performance guarantees shall be conditioned upon resolution of all outstanding escrow balances associated with the administration of this project by Township officials, as well as the posting of maintenance guarantees for 15% of the project total (\$27,603.09), or \$4,140.46. Such maintenance guarantee shall run for a period of not less than two years from the date of memorialization of such action by the Council.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, in accordance with the Monroe Township Code, the developer shall maintain funds in the engineering inspection escrow account in the amount of fifty percent (50%) of the original deposit however in lieu of this, the Township Engineer's office recommends the developer post five thousand dollars (\$5000.00) at this time, into the existing engineering inspection escrow account which is more reasonable.

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

MIRIAM COHEN, Council President

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true and exact copy of a Resolution adopted by the Monroe Township Council at its meeting held on December 4, 2023.

PATRICIA REID, Township Clerk

MONROE TOWNSHIP, MIDDLESEX COUNTY

RESOLUTION NO.: R-12-2023-270

**RESOLUTION OF THE MONROE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
AUTHORIZING AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO
WATER REMEDIATION TECHNOLOGIES, LLC (WRT)
FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES IN CONNECTION
WITH WELL 21 FILTER #7 AND #8 REPAIRS
BY THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT (“M.T.U.D.”)**

WHEREAS, State regulations require only firms with particular certifications to perform the work required at Well 21; and

WHEREAS, WRT possesses such licenses to perform the required handling and disposal of said filtration media; and

WHEREAS, *N.J.S.A.40A:11-6* authorizes the award of a contract without public bidding, notwithstanding that the contract price will exceed the bid threshold, when an emergency affecting the public health, safety or welfare requires the immediate delivery of goods or the performance of services; and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Utility Department has indicated via correspondence dated November 29, 2023 that the services required are performed without delay is essential, so as to protect the public health, safety, and welfare of the residents of Monroe Township, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, the Utility Department has received a proposal from WRT to perform the required work for the amount of **\$117,700.00**, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit “B”; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey as follows:

(1) The Township Council of the Township of Monroe hereby authorize the emergency contract Water Remediation Technologies, LLC, *non pro tunc*; for the emergency services in connection with the well 21 repairs.

(2) The Township Chief Municipal Finance Officer is hereby authorized and directed to pay invoices for services provided by Water Remediation Technologies, LLC in an amount not to exceed **\$117,700.00** in accordance with their proposal.

(3) This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as an “emergency contract” in accordance with *N.J.S.A.40A:11-6* to meet the immediate needs of the emergency caused by the failure of Filter #7 and Filter #8 at Well 21.

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

MIRIAM COHEN, Council President

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify the foregoing Resolution is a true and exact copy of a Resolution adopted by the Monroe Township Council at its meeting held on December 4, 2023.

PATRICIA REID, Township Clerk

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MONROE TOWNSHIP, MIDDLESEX COUNTY

RESOLUTION NO.: R-12-2023-271

**RESOLUTION OF THE MONROE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
ENDORING ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 4536 AND SENATE BILL NO. S304 AND
REQUESTING THAT THE NEW JERSEY LEGISLATURE HOLD HEARINGS
TO ADVANCE SAFE STAFFING STANDARDS AND PRACTICES
AT NEW JERSEY HEALTH CARE FACILITIES**

WHEREAS, the Township of Monroe recognizes the importance of all health care workers, including professional registered nurses, in providing quality patient care to residents of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, many nurses throughout the State have expressed concern regarding inadequate nurse staffing at hospitals, ambulatory surgery facilities, and other facilities, and its potential to result in dangerous medical errors, patient infections, and increased injuries to patients and caregivers; and

WHEREAS, many nurses throughout the State have expressed concerns that inadequate nurse staffing practices jeopardize the delivery of health care services and adversely impact the health of patients; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Monroe recognizes that safe staffing practices are essential for the welfare of patients, nurses, and all health care workers; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Legislature and the New Jersey Department of Health are best suited to investigate and evaluate staffing standards and practices across the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, Assembly Bill No. 4536 and Senate Bill No. S304 have been proposed in the New Jersey Legislature to address minimum standards for registered professional nurses; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey urges the New Jersey Legislature to hold hearings regarding safe staffing standards and practices at New Jersey health care facilities, and call upon experts within the health care industry and the New Jersey Department of Health to outline the safest staffing practices to ensure the highest quality patient care and the protection of health care workers; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Council of the Township of Monroe hereby supports and endorses Assembly Bill No. 4536 and Senate Bill No. S304; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Township of Monroe send a copy of this resolution to all Legislative District 14 representatives.

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

MIRIAM COHEN, Council President

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify the foregoing Resolution is a true and exact copy of a Resolution adopted by the Monroe Township Council at its meeting held on December 4, 2023

PATRICIA REID, Township Clerk