TOWNSHIP OF RARITAN
COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, NEW JERSEY

RESOLUTION #20-93

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT (CONFLICT ATTORNEY FOR TAX APPEALS)

WHEREAS, there exists a need for professional services for the following: conflict attorney for legal matters regarding tax appeals; and

WHEREAS, the estimated cost of the contract is $155.00 per hour for Partners; and $50.00 per hour for Paralegals, and funds will be available in the 2020 budget appropriations through Certificate of Availability #20-23 for this purpose certified by the Chief Financial Officer; and

WHEREAS, Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 *et seq.*) exempts such professional services from competitive bidding and requires that a resolution authorizing the award of contracts for "Professional Services" without competitive bids and the contract itself be made available for public inspection; and

WHEREAS, prior to the execution of a contract, a completed Business Entity Disclosure Certification be submitted which certifies that no individual with a 10% interest or larger has made any reportable contributions to a political party or candidate for the Township Committee of the Township of Raritan in the previous year, and that the contract will prohibit any individual with a 10% interest or larger from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract, however this not be construed as affecting the eligibility of any business entity to perform a public contract because that entity made a contribution to any committee during calendar year 2019, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 *et seq.*

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Raritan as follows:

1. The Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached agreement with:

   Richard M. Conley, Attorney at Law, for legal representation as conflict attorney for tax appeals

2. The contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Service" under the provisions of Local Public Contracts Law N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a) as a contract for services to be performed by persons authorized by law to practice recognized professions that are regulated by law and it is not possible to obtain competitive bids.

3. The Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause a notice to be published in the manner provide by law setting forth the nature, duration, service and amount of the contract and that the resolution and contract are on file in the Office of the Clerk and are available for public inspection.

ATTEST:

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RARITAN

Lisa Fania, RMC
Township Clerk

Jeff Kuhl
Mayor

CERTIFICATION

I, Lisa Fania, Clerk of the Township of Raritan, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, hereby certify that the foregoing resolution is a true, complete and accurate copy of a resolution adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Raritan at a meeting held on March 3, 2020.

Lisa Fania, RMC
Township Clerk