

# Township of West Milford

Passaic County, New Jersey

## ~ Resolution 2023 – 349 ~

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC ,STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING RESOLUTION 2023-108 and 2023-183 TO INCREASE THE CONTRACT VALUE NOT TO EXCEED \$37,915.00 WITH LAWRENCE COHEN, ESQ. OF LAVERY, SELVAGGI, ABROMITIS & COHEN P.C. TO PROVIDE LEGAL SERVICES FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD ON NEWARK WATERSHED TAX APPEAL**

**WHEREAS**, by virtue of Resolution 2023-108 adopted March 1, 2023 and Resolution 2023-183 adopted May 3, 2023 the Township Council did authorize the engagement of Special Legal Counsel services to be provided by Lawrence Cohen, Esq. of Lavery, Selvaggi, Abromitis & Cohen P.C.; and

**WHEREAS**, Resolution 2023-108 and the related Professional Services Contract did authorize services in an amount not to exceed \$10,000; and

**WHEREAS**, Resolution 2023 -183 and the related Professional Services Contract did authorize services to be amended increasing not to exceed amount to \$30,000; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Mayor and Council have been advised that the Township's needs related to the matter known as Newark Watershed Tax Appeal necessitates an amendment in an additional amount not to exceed \$7,915.00; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer has certified the availability of funds pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.4 from account 01-201-20-155-502 in an amount not to exceed \$7,915.00 without prior written consent from the Township Council; and

**WHEREAS**, a notice of this action shall be published in accordance with the law and said notice to provide that the originally awarded Professional Services Contract and this resolution serving as the Addendum to the Contract are available for public inspection in the office of the Township Clerk and that the Professional Services offered by Lawrence Cohen, Esq. are extended by an additional twelve months or until the conclusion of the legal matter, whichever comes first.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Township of West Milford, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey that they do hereby authorize the Township Administrator to approve an amendment of \$7,915.00 to Lawrence Cohen, Esq. for Special Legal Services which amount is in excess of the approved contract amount of \$10,000, amended to \$30,000 bringing the contract total to an amount not to exceed \$37,915. and re-engaging the services of Lawrence Cohen, Esq. for an additional twelve month or until the conclusion of this legal matter whichever comes first.

Adopted: September 13, 2023

Adopted this 13<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2023  
and certified as a true copy of an original.

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William Senande, Township Clerk