

**TOWNSHIP OF HOPEWELL  
MERCER COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**R E S O L U T I O N #24-41**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENTS IN  
A NON-FAIR AND OPEN MANNER  
VARIOUS PROFESSIONAL MATTERS**

**WHEREAS**, there exists a need for professional services related to various matters for the Township; and

**WHEREAS**, the below professional firms have provided for a quotation for services without bidding as per N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(i); and

**WHEREAS**, the Township has procured these various professional firms in a non-fair and open manner in accord with N.J.S.A.19:44A-20.5; and

**WHEREAS**, all professional firms named below have provided for a Business Entity Disclosure and Political Contribution Disclosure in accord with N.J.S.A.19:44A-20.5 indicating the professionals have not made any reportable contributions in the past 12 months and will be prohibited from making reportable contributions in the coming year; and

**WHEREAS**, the estimated cost of the contract for services related to those stated below; and as certified by the chief financial officer as encumbered in the accounts referenced below that funds are available for this purpose are from:

FIRM/PURPOSE	AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED	TERM EXPIRES
The Canning Group, LLC Qualified Purchasing Agent Services 4-01-20-100-028	\$15,500.00	12/31/2024
The Canning Group, LLC Administrative Consultant 4-01-20-100-028	\$1,500.00	12/31/2024
Integrity Consulting Group Benefit Consultant 4-01-20-100-028	\$39,000.00	12/31/2024
Phoenix Advisors, LLC Financial Advisor Services 4-01-20-130-028	\$8,000.00	12/31/2024
Phoenix Advisors, LLC SEC Compliance 4-01-20-130-028	\$3,000.00	12/31/2024
Phoenix Advisors, LLC Escrow – Trust Analyze Redevelopment Projects X-21-00-929-115	Escrow	12/31/2024
Sockler Realty Services Group, Inc. Commercial Appraisal Services 4-01-20-150-028	\$20,000.00	12/31/2024

Martin Hillman, Esq. Court Prosecutor 4-01-25-275-028	\$25,200.00	12/31/2024
John Holiday, Esq. Public Defender 4-01-43-495-028	\$21,600.00	12/31/2024
McGowan Well Water Compliance Management, LLC Water Compliance – Buildings 4-01-26-310-028	13,714.00	12/31/2024
McGowan Well Water Compliance Management, LLC Water Compliance – Water Utility 4-05-55-502-028	\$7,827.00	12/31/2024
PCH Development Corporation Affordable Housing Administration Trust X-14-99-927-028	\$42,000.00	12/31/2024

; and

**WHEREAS**, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(i) et seq.) requires that a resolution authorizing the award of contracts for "Professional Services" without competitive bids and the contract itself must be available for public inspection.


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

1. The Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute the above agreements with the above professionals for annual legal services.
2. The contracts are awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Service" under the provisions of the 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.
3. The Business Entity Disclosure and Political Contribution Disclosure will be on file in the Municipal Clerks office and available for public inspection.

Date Adopted: January 22, 2024

#### **CERTIFICATION**

I, Katherine Fenton-Newman, Municipal Clerk, of the Township of Hopewell, County of Mercer, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Township Committee at the regular meeting held on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of January 2024, in the Municipal Building Auditorium, Hopewell Township, New Jersey and via Zoom Video Communications.

  
Katherine Fenton-Newman, RMC, CMR

Municipal Clerk