

**Township of West Milford**  
Passaic County, New Jersey

~ Resolution 2012 - 044 ~

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITHOUT COMPETITIVE BIDDING TO PIAZZA & ASSOCIATES, INC. FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMPLIANCE AND MONITORING SERVICES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,200.00**

**WHEREAS**, there exists a need for the Township to retain the services of an experienced, qualified entity or agency to provide affordable housing compliance and monitoring services and to serve as an Administrative Agent to the Township with respect to its affordable housing obligation; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township wishes to award a contract without competitive bidding to Piazza & Associates, Inc. for the performance of such affordable housing compliance and monitoring services; and

**WHEREAS**, the total amount of the contract shall not exceed \$1,200.00; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer has certified as to the availability of funds pursuant to *N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.4*

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Law, specifically, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3, when the cost or price of any contract awarded by the contracting agent in the aggregate does not exceed in a contract year the total sum of \$17,500, the contract may be awarded by the contracting unit without public advertising for bids; and

**WHEREAS**, Piazza & Associates, Inc. has completed and submitted both a Political Contribution Disclosure Form and a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that the firm has not made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the Township of West Milford with the elected officials in the previous one year, and that the contract will prohibit Piazza & Associates, Inc. from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract, and

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

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Township of West Milford, County of Passaic and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The Township of West Milford hereby awards and authorizes the Mayor and Township Clerk to execute an agreement with Piazza & Associates, Inc. with offices located at 216 Rockingham Row, Princeton, New Jersey 08540, for affordable housing compliance and monitoring services in an amount not to exceed \$1,200.00.
2. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as the total price of the contract shall not exceed the \$17,500 bid threshold in accordance with the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law, specifically N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3.
3. The total fee authorized for this contract shall not exceed \$1,200.00 without the prior written approval of the Township Council.
4. The Political Contribution Disclosure Form, Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the Determination of Value shall be placed on file in the office of the township clerk.

5. Notice of this action shall be published once in the Township's official newspaper as required by law.

Adopted: January 7, 2012

Adopted this 7<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2012  
and certified as a true copy of an original.

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Antoinette Battaglia, Township Clerk