

# Township of West Milford

Passaic County, New Jersey

## ~ Resolution 2012 – 348 ~

### **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 PRINCETON PUBLIC AFFAIRS GROUP, INC. IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$12,000.00**

**WHEREAS**, the Township Council of the Township of West Milford has devoted significant attention to matters pertaining to the Newark Watershed; and

**WHEREAS**, after repeated & exhaustive efforts to attain a fair & equitable solution to those issues, the Township Council has obtained a proposal from Princeton Public Affairs Group, Inc. to advocate and guide the Township Council in these matters; and

**WHEREAS**, as advocates for the Township, Princeton Public Affairs Group, Inc. will, at a minimum, devise & implement strategies to facilitate a solution to the valuation of the Newark Watershed property through either direct negotiations with the City of Newark or through the development of a legislative solution that secures West Milford's fair share as well as monitor & recommend other potential solutions and state funding opportunities available through key departments and agencies; and

**WHEREAS**, the total amount of the contract shall not exceed \$12,000.00; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer has certified as to the availability of funds said funds to be encumbered from account number 2-01-20-161-450; 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 Princeton Public Affairs Group, Inc. with offices located at The Princeton House, 160 West State Street, Trenton, New Jersey, 08608 to advocate and guide the Township Council in matters pertaining to the Newark Watershed in an amount not to exceed \$12,000.00, and in accordance with the proposal dated August 10, 2012.
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 \$12,000.00 without the prior written approval of the Township Council.
5. Notice of this action shall be published once in the Township's official newspaper as required by law.

Adopted: October 3, 2012

Adopted this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of October, 2012  
and certified as a true copy of an original.

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Antoinette Battaglia, Township Clerk