

RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT TO THE ABSOLUTE FIRE PROTECTION COMPANY, INC. THROUGH USE OF THE HOUSTON GALVESTON AREA COUNCIL (HGAC) COOPERATIVE PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 52:34-6.2

WHEREAS, the Township of West Orange (“Township”) Fire Department is charged with the responsibility of emergency medical transport for all persons within the Township; and

WHEREAS, in order to fulfill their responsibilities, apparatus must be purchased to maintain optimal efficiency; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 52:34-6.2 authorizes contracting units to purchase goods or to contract for services through the use of a nationally recognized and accepted cooperative purchasing agreement that has been developed utilizing a competitive bidding process by another contracting unit with the State of New Jersey or within any other state, when available; and

WHEREAS, the Houston-Galveston Area Council (HGAC) is a regional planning commission and political subdivision of the State of Texas operating under Chapter 391, Texas Local Government Code; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council, by Resolution No.178-14 dated September 23, 2014, authorized membership with said HGAC, a recognized National Cooperative, thus becoming a member; and

WHEREAS, the Purchasing Agent published on October 9, 2019 a Notice of Intent, pursuant to the Local Finance Notice 2012-10 to utilize the H-GAC Cooperative to purchase One (1) Wheeled Coach Type 3 E450 Ambulance and provided a comment period to allow vendors a mechanism to provide alternate proposals; and

WHEREAS, no responses were received by the date and time published, and

WHEREAS, the Township’s Fire Department did due diligence comparing multiple companies on the HGAC Cooperative contract #AM10-18 for purchasing a Wheeled Coach Type 3 E450 ambulance and recommends the Absolute Fire Protection Company, Inc., 2800 Hamilton Blvd., South Plainfield, New Jersey 07080 to provide the Township this emergency equipment (Exhibit “A” attached).

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the West Orange Township Council the following:

1. The Township shall receive from Absolute Fire Protection Company Inc. all supplemental documentation that complies with the laws of the State of New Jersey for entities awarded a contract by a public entity.
2. The Township Purchasing Agent shall be authorized to enter into a contract on behalf of the Township and a purchase order issued.

3. The Township's Chief Financial Officer certifies sufficient funds are available for said procurement in the amount of \$141,592.00.

Karen J. Carnevale, R.M.C., Municipal Clerk Jerry Guarino, Council President

Adopted: October 29, 2019

I Certify funds available from: Capital Account No.(s)
03-2584-19-0700-210 \$125,000.00
03-2544-18-0500-010 \$ 16,592.00

John O. Gross, Chief Financial Officer