

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, Chapter 2, Subsection 9.5 of the Revised General Ordinance of the Township of West Orange requires the Township to appoint a Public Advocate to represent the public interest before various federal, state, and local agencies and board, including the West Orange Planning Board and West Orange Zoning Board of Adjustment; and

**WHEREAS**, Harvey S. Grossman, Esq. (“COUNSEL”), has served and currently serves as the Public Advocate for the Township; and

**WHEREAS**, the Law Department recommends retention of COUNSEL to continue to serve as the Public Advocate for the year 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, COUNSEL has agreed to provide professional services for the calendar year 2020, pursuant to the terms and conditions set forth in the agreement annexed hereto as Exhibit “A”; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(i), the proposed professional services contract is subject to an exception to the standard bidding procedures set forth in the Local Public Contracts Law;

**NOW, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED**, by the Township Council of the Township of West Orange that the Mayor be and is hereby authorized to execute an agreement, in the form annexed hereto, to retain COUNSEL to provide services as the Public Advocate at the rates set forth in the agreement annexed hereto as Exhibit “A”; and it is further

**RESOLVED** that notice of this award shall be published and available in the Clerk's office in accordance with applicable law.

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**Karen J. Carnevale, R.M.C.**  
**Municipal Clerk**

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**Michele Casalino**  
**Council President**

**Adopted: March 3, 2020**

**I hereby certify funds are available from:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Account No.**

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**John O. Gross, Chief Financial Officer**