

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of West Orange (the “Township”) acquired through an In Rem Tax Foreclosure, the Properties located at 18 Central Avenue, Block 9, Lot 36 (“18 Central”), and 4 Tompkins Street, Block 7, Lot 22 (“4 Tompkins”) on the Tax Map of the Township of West Orange (collectively the “Properties”); and

**WHEREAS**, on August 9, 2016, the Township adopted resolution 189-16 to authorize Matrix New World (“Matrix”) to apply for grant funds from the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection/New Jersey Economic Development Authority (the “DEP”) Hazardous Discharge Site Remediation Funds (the “HDSRF”) Program for the purpose of funding the costs for performing the Preliminary Assessment and Site Investigation on the Properties; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township received an award of \$77,237.90 from the HDSRF Program to fund the Preliminary Assessment and Site Investigation on the Properties; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 7, 2017, the Township adopted resolution 75-17, to authorize Matrix to perform the Preliminary Assessment and Site Investigation on the Properties; and

**WHEREAS**, on June 25, 2019, the Township adopted resolution 170-19, to authorize Matrix to complete the Remedial Investigation and prepare a Remedial Investigation Report and a Remedial Action Work Plan for the Properties utilizing \$129,177 in HDSRF Grant Funds awarded by the DEP; and

**WHEREAS**, utilizing additional supplemental and reallocated grant funding, authorized by the Township, Matrix performed the Remedial Investigation and prepared a Remedial Action Work Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, The Township seeks to implement the Remedial Action Work Plan prepared by Matrix to finalize the remediation of the Properties; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township also seeks to apply for and utilize HDSRF Grant Funds to partially fund the implementation of the Remedial Action Work Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, Matrix has provided a proposal to prepare and submit an application to the HDSRF program implemented through the DEP for a fixed fee cost of \$5,500, annexed hereto as Exhibit “A;” and

**WHEREAS**, the HDSRF Grant Funds could fund up to seventy-five percent (75%) of the costs for implementation of the Remedial Action Work Plan.

**NOW, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST ORANGE**, that the Township be and is hereby authorized to retain Matrix to prepare and submit an application to the HDSRF program implemented through the DEP for a fixed fee cost of \$5,500 pursuant to the proposal annexed hereto as Exhibit “A;” and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute the acceptance of the Proposal annexed hereto as Exhibit “A,” and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the Township Clerk is authorized to attest to the Mayor's signature; and be it further

**RESOLVED** that a copy of this resolution shall be made available in the Clerk's Office for reasonable inspection in accordance with applicable law.

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

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**Michelle Casalino**  
Council President

**Adopted: April 14, 2020**

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

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**John Gross, Chief Financial Officer**