

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT
FOR TAX COLLECTION SERVICES**

WHEREAS, the Township of West Orange has decided to retire as of April 1, 2021; and,

WHEREAS, the process to fill the open statutory position will likely take longer than 5 weeks; and,

WHEREAS, the Township of West Orange therefore has a need to acquire Tax Collection Services as a non-fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5; and,

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has determined and certified in writing that the value of the acquisition will exceed \$17,500; and,

WHEREAS, the anticipated term of this contract is not to exceed 1 year; and

WHEREAS, Battaglia Associates LLC has submitted a proposal dated 02/18/2021 indicating they will provide Tax Collection Services at \$150/hour for management and \$90/hour for associates; and

WHEREAS, Battaglia Associates, LLC has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that Battaglia Associates, LLC has not made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the Township of West Orange in the previous one year, and that the contract will prohibit the Battaglia Associates, LLC from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract, and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Township of West Orange authorizes the Chief Financial Officer to enter into a contract with Battaglia Associates, LLC as described herein; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the Determination of Value be placed on file with this resolution.

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

Cindy Matute-Brown
Council President

Adopted: February 23, 2021