

**TOWNSHIP OF LONG HILL
RESOLUTION 22-266
AUTHORIZING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH HATFIELD SCHWARTZ LAW
GROUP LLC**

WHEREAS, the Township of Long Hill has a need to acquire the services of an attorney to represent the Township, the Township Committee and various Township officials and employees; and

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

WHEREAS, contracts for professional services may be awarded without public bidding pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(I)*; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified in writing the availability of adequate funds to pay the maximum amount of this contract; and

WHEREAS, the cost of the professional services contract will be covered by the Morris Count Joint Insurance Fund after the Township's deductible is exhausted; and

WHEREAS, the contractor has submitted a proposal dated October 4, 2022, which was submitted in response to the Township's request for a proposal, and which is incorporated herein by reference; and

WHEREAS, this contract is being awarded pursuant to a fair and open process conducted in accordance with to the provisions of *N.J.S.A. 19:44A - 20.4* or *20.5* as appropriate; and

WHEREAS, the contractor has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Township of Long Hill, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. A professional services contract is hereby awarded to Hatfield Schwartz Group LLC in accordance with its proposal, for the following consideration: \$185.00/hour (not to exceed \$20,000, unless increased by resolution of the Township Committee).
2. The Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the Determination of Value shall be placed on file with this resolution, and that notice of these awards be advertised once in the *Echoes Sentinel*.
3. The Contractor shall secure and maintain insurance with the following minimum limits:

Professional Liability/Malpractice	\$1,000,000.00
Comprehensive General Liability	\$1,000,000.00
Comprehensive Automobile Liability	\$1,000,000.00
Workmen's Compensation	Statutory

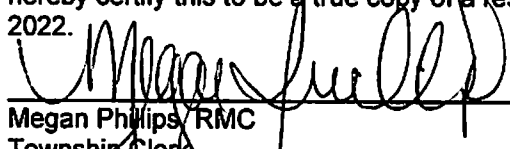
The certificates of insurance shall be acceptable to the Township Risk Manager and the Township Attorney.

4. The Township Clerk in accordance with the provisions of *N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(I)*, is directed to publish a notice once in the official newspaper stating the nature, duration, service and amount of this contract.
5. These contracts shall be charged to budget line item(s) 2-01-0020-00155-2-00201. The

certification of available funds by the Financial Officer shall be attached to the original of this resolution and shall be maintained in the files of the Township Clerk.

INTRODUCED	SECONDED	COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		DORSI	X			
X		LAVENDER	X			
	X	PISERCHIA	X			
		RAE	X			
		VERLEZZA	X			

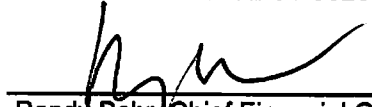
I, Megan Phillips, Township Clerk of the Township of Long Hill, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, hereby certify this to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Township Committee October 12, 2022.



 Megan Phillips/RMC
 Township Clerk

Certification of Funds

I, Randy Bahr, Chief Financial Officer of the Township of Long Hill, do hereby certify that the funds will be available in account 2-01-0020-00155-2-00201.



 Randy Bahr, Chief Financial Officer
 Dated: October 12, 2022