CITY OF CAMDEN REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY RESOLUTION SUMMARY

FINANCE

Resolution No.: 02-08-17K

Resolution Title:

Resolution Authorizing a Professional Services Agreement with Brown & Connery, LLP for the Provision of General Counsel Legal Services for both the Agency and the Board of Commissioner for Calendar Year 2017

Project Summary:

The CRA is in need of General Legal Counsel services for 2017. The CRA undertook a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) procurement process in order to establish a pre-qualified list of firms to provide legal services for the CRA. Brown & Connery, LLP is on the list and has been selected to provide the required services with a contract expiration date of December 31, 2017 at a cost not to exceed \$100,000.

Purpose of Resolution:

To seek authorization to enter into an agreement with the firm of Brown & Connery, LLP to provide General Legal Counsel services for 2017.

Award Process:

Brown & Connery, LLP has been pre-qualified through the Request for Qualifications (RFQ) process. They are on the CRA short list of approved attorneys.

Cost Not To Exceed:

\$100,000

Funding Source:

Project Budgets and Operations

Total Project Cost: Not To Exceed:

\$100,000

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WHEREAS, the City of Camden Redevelopment Agency (CRA) is charged with the duty of redevelopment throughout the City of Camden; and

WHEREAS, the CRA undertook a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) procurement process in order to establish a pre-qualified list of firms to provide legal services for the CRA; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the RFQ process, four (4) firms were deemed qualified and were placed on the list; and

WHERAS, the pre-qualified firm of Brown & Connery, LLP with its principal offices located at 360 Haddon Avenue, P.O. Box 539, Westmont, NJ 08108 has been deemed qualified to provide the required general counsel legal services for the year 2017; and

WHEREAS, CRA desires to execute a contract with Brown & Connery, LLP for general counsel legal services at the hourly rates submitted in their proposal in response to the RFQ with a contract expiration date of December 31, 2017; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the governing body of the City of Camden Redevelopment Agency, that the Executive Director, a duly authorized representative of the Agency, is hereby authorized to enter into a one year contract with the firm of Brown & Connery, LLP to provide general counsel legal services at a cost not to exceed One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Executive Director, or her designee, is hereby authorized and directed to take all actions and execute all documents necessary to carry out the purposes of this resolution.

ON MOTION OF: Maria Sharma

SECONDED BY: Ian K. Leonard

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Marilyn Torres			
Sheila Davis	V		
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ATTEST:

Saundra Ross Johnson **Executive Director**

The above has been reviewed and approved as to form.

Mark P. Asselta, Esq. Board Counsel