Finance
Resolution No.: 12-04-14A
Resolution Title:
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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A PROFESSSIONAL SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH MERCADIEN, P.C. FOR FINANCIAL AUDITING SERVICES FOR FYE 2014 FOR A TOTAL COST NOT TO EXCEED \$39,128.00
Project Summary:
The CRA requires the services of an independent auditing firm to perform the FYE 2014 financial audit of the Agency's finances.
Purpose of Resolution:
To allow the CRA to enter into a contract with the firm of Mercadien, P.C. to conduct the FYE 2014 Audit.
Award Process:
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The CRA prepared and posted on its Web Site a Request for Proposals for a firm to provide FYE 2014 Financial Auditing services for the Agency, in accordance with the 'fair and open'
process and procedures established under the regulation and amendments to the N.J.S.A.
19:44A-20.4 et.seq
Cost Not To Exceed:
\$39,128.00
Total Project Cost:
\$39,128.00

Resolution Authorizing a Professional Services Agreement with Mercadien, P.C. for Financial Auditing Services for FYE 2014 for a Total Cost Not to Exceed \$39,128.00

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

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 5:31-7 requires all public entities to conduct an annual audit for their respective fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the CRA requires the services of an independent auditing firm to perform the FYE 2014 financial audit; and

WHEREAS, in order to procure these services the CRA prepared and posted on its website a Request for Proposals for a firm to provide FYE 2014 Financial Auditing services for the Agency, in accordance with the 'fair and open' process and procedures established under the regulation and amendments to the N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et.seq.; and

WHEREAS, the CRA did receive two (2) proposals from firms to perform the required services; and

WHEREAS, the firm of Mercadien, P.C. responded to the Request for Proposals and submitted a proposal to perform the required work for a cost not to exceed \$39,128.00; and

WHEREAS, the other firm does not possess a New Jersey Business Registration Certification as required by the New Jersey Treasury Department when seeking to do business with public agencies in the state; and

WHEREAS, the firm of Mercadien, P.C. has completed prior audits for the Agency and has provided other services to the Agency and is familiar with the books and records and the accounting procedures of the Agency; and

WHEREAS, through this process Mercadien, P.C. was deemed the best firm to provide these services; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the governing body of the City of Camden Redevelopment Agency that the Executive Director of the Agency, a duly authorized representative of the Agency, or her designee, is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with the firm of Mercadien, P.C. for the provision of auditing services for the FYE 2014 for a cost not to exceed \$39,128.00.

12-04-14A (cont'd)

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

ON MOTION OF:

Jose Vazquez

SECONDED BY:

Kenwood Hagamin

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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

Economic Development-Brownfields

Resolution No.: 12-04-14B

Resolution Title:

Resolution Authorizing an Application for and Acceptance of a Grant from the Hazardous Discharge Site Remediation Fund in an Amount Not to Exceed \$269,035.00 for Remedial Action on a Portion of Block 62, Lots 17, 21, 22 and 23 of the City of Camden Tax Map (the ABC Barrel Site)

Project Summary:

- This resolution authorizes the CRA to apply for and accept a grant of up to \$269,035.00 from the Hazardous Discharge Site Remediation Fund (HDSRF) for remediation of a portion of Block 62, Lots 17, 21, 22, and 23 of the Camden Tax Map (the ABC Barrel Site) which is owned by the CRA and which is comprised of open space parkland and a surrounding access roadway central to the site.
- This portion of the site must be remediated prior to redevelopment of the balance of the site for residential purposes and in order to properly close out the open NJDEP case associated with the former industrial use of the site.
- Future plans call for development of the targeted portion of the site as parkland / access roadways.
- The CRA also received Brownfield Cleanup Grants from USEPA, in the amount of \$89,678.00 which can be used for the 25% match requirement for the HDSRF grant. Along with the State Brownfield Redevelopment Initiative Grant that the CRA previously received for the entirety of the ABC Barrel Site, there is still a short fall of funding for the cleanup of both the residential and parkland portions of the site.

The HDSRF Grant Program requires a 25% match: \$269,035 HDSRF Grant Amount (75%)
\$ 89,678 Cash Match USEPA Brownfield Cleanup Grants (25%)
\$358,713 Value of New Work (100%)

Purpose of Resolution:

Apply for and accept a grant

12-04-14B (cont'd)

Award Process:

N/A

Cost Not To Exceed:

\$358,713 (current cost estimate for parkland cleanup)

Total Project Cost:

\$1,350,408 million (current cost estimate for the cleanup of the residential area as well as the parkland area).

Source of Funds:

HDSRF and **USEPA** Grants

Resolution Authorizing an Application for and Acceptance of a Grant from the Hazardous Discharge Site Remediation Fund in an Amount Not to Exceed \$269,035.00 for Remedial Action on a Portion of Block 62, Lots 17, 21, 22, and 23 of the City of Camden Tax Map (the ABC Barrel Site)

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

WHEREAS, the CRA intends to redevelop Block 62, Lots 17, 21, 22, and 23 which is owned by the CRA (the "ABC Barrel Site") as a parkland and residential development; and

WHEREAS, the parkland area must be remediated prior to the redevelopment activities; and

WHEREAS, the Hazardous Discharge Site Remediation Fund (HDSRF) provides grants to municipalities and qualifying agencies for environmental investigation and remediation; and

WHEREAS, seeks to obtain from the HDSRF a grant to fund Remedial Action for the parkland portion of the ABC Barrel Site in an amount not to exceed \$269,035.00

WHEREAS, the 25% match required by the HDSRF grant will be met by a \$89,678.00 cash match from the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) Brownfield Cleanup - 121-123 Penn Street grant;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the governing body of the City of Camden Redevelopment Agency that the Executive Director of the Agency, a duly authorized representative is hereby authorized to apply for and accept a Hazardous Discharge Site Remediation Grant for Remedial Action on the parkland portion of the ABC Barrel Site in an amount not to exceed \$269,035.00; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Executive Director, or her designee, is hereby authorized and directed, subject to the adequate documentation of the committed match and contribution of required matching funds by the US Environmental Protection Agency, to take all actions and execute all grant documents, grant agreements and grant reports necessary to secure and administer the Grant and to carry out the purposes of this resolution.

12-04-14B (cont'd)

ON MOTION OF:

Jose Vazquez

SECONDED BY:

Kenwood Hagamin

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Chairperson

ATTEST:

Saundra Ross Johnson

Executive Director

The above has been reviewed and approved as to form.

Mark P. Asselta, Esq.

Board Counsel

Housing Development

Resolution No.: 12-04-14C

Resolution Title:

Resolution Authorizing an Agreement of Sale with the City of Camden to Acquire Certain City Owned Properties Located in the Centerville and Whitman Park Neighborhoods for Redevelopment

Project Summary:

- The City of Camden and the Housing Authority of Camden ("HACC") will make application on February 9, 2015 to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD") for an implementation grant of up to 30 million dollars. In 2012, HUD awarded the HACC, a \$300,000 Federal Choice Neighborhoods Planning Grant. With these funds the HACC in October 2014 delivered the "Choice Mt. Ephraim Transformation Plan", which includes Centerville, Liberty Park, and Whitman Park. This milestone has positioned the City to be able to compete for HUD implementation grant funds.
- The City of Camden in its Choice implementation grant application will be required to demonstrate that the City has an assemblage of land for uses that include infill residential housing development.
- The City has acquired 65 properties under the Abandoned Properties Act in Centerville and Whitman Park, (the "City Parcels") anticipating the Choice implementation grant opportunity. The City proposes that these properties be transferred to the CRA, who will assemble any additional properties and seek qualified developers to construct new and rehabilitated housing on these sites for homeownership.
 - The City Parcels that are the subject of this resolution are more fully described in Exhibit A attached.
- The City on November 13, 2014 introduced a resolution authorizing an Agreement of Sale with the CRA and an ordinance, authorizing the transfer of the 65 properties to the CRA subject to the following conditions:
 - 1. CRA will pay a purchase price of \$184,535.47 for the conveyance of the City Parcels which represents 50% of the total legal costs incurred by the City to acquire the City Parcels.
 - 2. The CRA will convey the Project Sites to the Redeveloper(s) pursuant to a redevelopment agreement that requires use of the properties for infill new or rehabilitated housing in furtherance of the City's Choice Implementation Grant application.

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- 3. The CRA will be required to sell the City Parcels to a redeveloper(s) for a purchase price that does not exceed the per property or per structure cost incurred by the City and CRA to acquire the properties plus the CRA's reasonable closing costs.
- This resolution provides for the CRA's entry into an Agreement of Sale with the City of Camden and to acquire the City Parcels for the consideration of \$184,535.47 and subject to the conditions set forth above.
- CRA will acquire the City Parcels with acquisition grant funds awarded to the CRA by the Economic Recovery Board.

Purpose of Resolution:
To enter into Agreement of Sale with the City of Camden and to acquire 65 properties in
the Centerville and Whitman Park Neighborhoods
Award Process:
N/A
Cost Not To Exceed:
N/A
Total Project Cost:
\$184,535.47
Source of Funds:
ERB Mixed Sites Acquisition Grant

Resolution Authorizing an Agreement of Sale with the City of Camden to Acquire Certain City Owned Properties Located in the Centerville and Whitman Park Neighborhoods for Redevelopment

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

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Camden (the "City Council") adopted, in accordance with the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, 40A: 12A-1 et seq. ("LRHL"), an ordinance approving the Centerville Redevelopment Plan and will consider an ordinance approving a Whitman Park Redevelopment Plan as to certain land in the Centerville and Whitman Park Neighborhoods of the City of Camden and more particularly described therein (collectively, the "Redevelopment Areas"); and

WHEREAS, the City Council designated the CRA as the redevelopment entity pursuant to the LRHL to implement redevelopment plans and carry out redevelopment projects within the Redevelopment Areas; and

WHEREAS, the City of Camden and the Housing Authority of Camden ("HACC") will apply to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD") in February 2015 under its Choice Neighborhoods Implementation Grant Program for a grant of up to 30 million dollars; and

WHEREAS, the City of Camden in anticipation of this grant opportunity, acquired 65 properties under the Abandoned Properties Act for redevelopment uses, which properties are located in the Redevelopment Areas and are set forth in Exhibit A attached to this Resolution (the "City Parcels"); and

WHEREAS, the City proposes that the City Parcels be transferred to the CRA who will assemble the land and will seek qualified developers to construct new and rehabilitated housing on the sites for homeownership; and

WHEREAS, the City on November 13, 2014 introduced a resolution authorizing an Agreement of Sale with the CRA and an ordinance to transfer the 65 City Parcels to the CRA subject to the following conditions:

1. CRA will pay a purchase price of \$184,535.47 for the conveyance of the City Parcels which represents 50% of the total legal costs incurred by the City to acquire the City Parcels.

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- 2. The CRA will convey the Project Sites to the Redeveloper(s) pursuant to a redevelopment agreement that requires use of the properties for infill new or rehabilitated housing in furtherance of the City's Choice Implementation Grant application.
- 3. The CRA will be required to sell the City Parcels to a redeveloper(s) for a purchase price that does not exceed the per property or per structure cost incurred by the City and CRA to acquire the properties plus the CRA's reasonable closing costs.

WHEREAS, CRA desires to enter into an Agreement of Sale with the City of Camden and to acquire the City Parcels from the City of Camden subject to the conditions set forth above in order to facilitate the future redevelopment of the City Parcels and the neighborhoods of Centerville and Whitman Park.

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 and directed to enter into an Agreement of Sale with the City of Camden for the acquisition of the sixty-five (65) City Parcels set forth in Exhibit A for a total consideration of \$184,535.47 and subject to the conditions set forth above; 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.

12-04-14C (cont'd)

ON MOTION OF:

Jose Vazquez

SECONDED BY:

Mirta Nieves

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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

Centerville and Whitman Park Property List Exhibit A

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#	Block	Lot	Address	Owner
1	554	90	1742 TIOGA ST	City of Camden
2	554	91	1744 TIOGA ST	City of Camden
3	555	23	1805 MULFORD ST	City of Camden
4	556	75	1807 TIOGA ST	City of Camden
5	556	76	1809 TIOGA ST	City of Camden
6	556	78	1813 TIOGA ST	City of Camden
7	556	79	1815 TIOGA ST	City of Camden
8	556	80	1817 TIOGA ST	City of Camden
9	556	83	1823 TIOGA ST	City of Camden
10	556	85	1827 TIOGA ST	City of Camden
11	556	87	1834 MULFORD ST	City of Camden
12	1328	41	1165 WHITMAN AVE	City of Camden
13	1328	42	1161 WHITMAN AVE	City of Camden
14	1328	45	1155 WHITMAN AVE	City of Camden
15	1333	52	1265 WHITMAN AVE	City of Camden
16	1333	60	1245 WHITMAN AVE	City of Camden
17	1333	64	1237 WHITMAN AVE	City of Camden
18	1333	73	1217 WHITMAN AVE	City of Camden
19	1333	78	1207 WHITMAN AVE	City of Camden
20	1333	79	1205 WHITMAN AVE	City of Camden
21	1343	101	1236 WHITMAN AVE	City of Camden
22	1343	102	1234 WHITMAN AVE	City of Camden
23	1343	106	1222 WHITMAN AVE	City of Camden
24	1343	135	1239 EVERETT ST	City of Camden
25	1343	141	1225 EVERETT ST	City of Camden
26	1343	147	1476 LOUIS ST	City of Camden
27	1343	148	1478 LOUIS ST	City of Camden
28	1343	149	1480 LOUIS ST	City of Camden
29	1343	150	1482 LOUIS ST	City of Camden
30	1344	40	1234 EVERETT ST	City of Camden
31	1344	48	1204 EVERETT ST	City of Camden
32	1345	173	1529 NORRIS ST	City of Camden
33	1345	174	1531 NORRIS ST	City of Camden
34	1350	60	1328 THURMAN ST	City of Camden
35	1350	63	1336 THURMAN ST	City of Camden

Centerville and Whitman Park
Property List (cont.)

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#	Block	Lot	Address	Owner
36	1350	122	1548 NORRIS ST	City of Camden
37	1354	3	1555 NORRIS ST	City of Camden
38	1354	4	1557 NORRIS ST	City of Camden
39	1354	5	1559 NORRIS ST	City of Camden
40	1354	6	1561 NORRIS ST	City of Camden
41	1354	38	1251 CHASE ST	City of Camden
42	1354	42	1243 CHASE ST	City of Camden
43	1354	48	1227 CHASE ST	City of Camden
44	1355	66	1244 CHASE ST	City of Camden
45	1355	68	1238 CHASE ST	City of Camden
46	1355	118	1296 CHASE ST	City of Camden
47	1355	173	1281 JACKSON ST	City of Camden
48	1356	3	1605 NORRIS ST	City of Camden
49	1356	4	1607 NORRIS ST	City of Camden
50	1356	5	1609 NORRIS ST	City of Camden
51	1357	28	1566 NORRIS ST	City of Camden
52	1361	48	1674 MT EPHRAIM AVE	City of Camden
53	1363	51	1238 CARL MILLER BLVD	City of Camden
54	1363	55	1228 CARL MILLER BLVD	City of Camden
55	1363	83	1700 MT EPHRAIM AVE	City of Camden
56	1364	182	1279 DECATUR ST	City of Camden
57	1364	185	1287 DECATUR ST	City of Camden
58	1364	187	1293 DECATUR ST	City of Camden
59	1367	69	1301 DECATUR ST	City of Camden
60	1369	50	1765 NORRIS ST	City of Camden
61	1369	61	1767 NORRIS ST	City of Camden
62	1369	62	1769 NORRIS ST	City of Camden
63	1369	64	1773 NORRIS ST	City of Camden
64	1373	4	1764 NORRIS ST	City of Camden
65	1373	9	1770 NORRIS ST	City of Camden

Housing Development

Resolution No.:

12-04-14D

Resolution Title:

Resolution Authorizing an Amendment to a Professional Service Agreement With Wallace Roberts & Todd, LLC for the Provision of Planning Services for the Whitman Park Study Area Which Expands the Scope of Work Under the Agreement

Project Summary:

CRA by Resolution 02-12-14C entered into a one year Agreement effective February 19, 2014 with Wallace Roberts & Todd, LLC ("WRT") for the amount of \$80,000.00 to prepare the area in need of redevelopment study for Whitman Park and if the area qualifies, for the drafting of a proposed redevelopment plan for the area.

- During the course of WRT's work, the City has been legally challenged on several unrelated redevelopment designations and plans adopted for areas of the City of Camden. A legal review of the draft Whitman Park Area in Need of Redevelopment Study/Report and Redevelopment Plan is underway to determine if the draft Report and Plan comply with applicable requirements under the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law. This approach is a means to further ensure that the Whitman Park redevelopment designation and Plan are best positioned to withstand any legal challenges.
- WRT's additional work will involve Redevelopment Study/Report and Redevelopment Plan ("Plans") revisions and/or any additional work that is not currently within the scope of the original contract. WRT proposes to extend the term of the Agreement and the scope of work to include revisions and additional work required to the Plans for an amount not to exceed \$8,000.00.

Purpose of Resolution:

To authorize an amendment to a professional service agreement between CRA and WRT

12-04-14D (cont'd)

Award Process:

Fair and open process

Cost Not To Exceed:

1. Original Contract Amount: \$ 80,000.00

2. Change Order Amount: \$8,000.00

3. Total Contract Amount: \$88,000.00

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Source of Funds:

ERB Planning Grant #2

Resolution Authorizing an Amendment to a Professional Service Agreement With Wallace Roberts & Todd, LLC for the Provision of Planning Services for the Whitman Park Study Area Which Expands the Scope of Work Under the Agreement

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

WHEREAS, CRA and the Economic Recovery Board have executed a \$723,945 Neighborhood and Redevelopment Planning Grant for the CRA to administer funds to assist the City of Camden ("the City") with the preparation of neighborhood plans, area in need of redevelopment studies and redevelopment plans and otherwise meet, in part, the area-wide planning needs of the City; and

WHEREAS, CRA and the City have authorized a Shared Services Agreement between the CRA and the City to secure planning and related services the costs of which are eligible under the ERB planning grant which is administered by the CRA; and

WHEREAS, CRA and the City of Camden, Department of Planning and Development together identified the Whitman Park study area as an area that should be studied to determine if it qualifies as an area in need of redevelopment, and if it does, an area that is appropriate for the preparation of a redevelopment plan; and

WHEREAS, CRA by Resolution 02-12-14C entered into a one year agreement effective February 19, 2014 with Wallace Roberts & Todd, LLC ("WRT") for the amount of \$80,000.00 to prepare the area in need of redevelopment study for Whitman Park and if the area qualifies, for the drafting of a proposed redevelopment plan for the area. (the "Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, WRT is required to revise the draft Whitman Park Area in Need of Redevelopment Study/Report and Redevelopment Plan (the "Plans") in order to more fully comply with applicable requirements under the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law and this additional work is not within the scope of the original contract with CRA; and

WHEREAS, WRT proposes to extend the term of the Agreement and expand the scope of work to include revisions and additional work required to complete the Plans that are within the original scope of the Agreement for an amount not to exceed \$8,000.00; and

WHEREAS, CRA desires that the WRT carryout the additional work required to ensure that the Plans more fully comply with the applicable requirements under the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law.

12-04-14D (cont'd)

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 execute an amendment to a professional service agreement between the Agency and Wallace Roberts & Todd, LLC for preparation of an area in need of study and redevelopment plan for the Whitman Park study area by extending the term of the original Agreement to June 30, 2015 and expanding the scope of work to include revisions and any additional work to complete performance under the Agreement in an amount not to exceed \$8,000.00.

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:

Jose Vazquez

SECONDED BY:

Mirta Nieves

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Chairman

ATTEST:

Saundra Ross Johnson Executive Director

The above has been reviewed and approved as to form.

Mark P. Asselta, Esq.

Board Counsel

Resolution No.: 12-04-14E					
Resolution Title:					
Resolution Authorizing the Adoption of a List of Pre-Qualified Lawyers for the Year 2015					
Project Summary:					
The CRA finds itself from time to time in need of legal counsel in a timely and expedient manner. To this end, the CRA pre-qualifies certain professionals and service providers in order to be able to meet its obligations. The pre-qualified list allows the CRA to request pricing from the firms and execute an agreement upon approval of the Board.					
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Purpose of Resolution: To adopt a list of Pre-Qualified lawyers for the year 2015.					
Award Process:					
Request for Qualifications					
Cost Not To Exceed: N/A					
Source of Funds: N/A					
Total Project Cost: N/A					
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Resolution Authorizing the Adoption of a List of Pre-Qualified Lawyers for the Year 2015

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

WHEREAS, to this end the CRA finds itself in need of legal counsel in a timely and expedient manner; and

WHEREAS, due to the potential of certain firms having professional conflicts it is sometimes necessary to engage an alternate firm for certain projects; and

WHEREAS, often, time is of the essence when matters are litigious; and

WHEREAS, in order to develop a pre-qualified list of attorneys, the CRA prepared and posted on its Web Site a Request for Qualifications for firms to apply to be placed on the list of pre-qualified law firms, in accordance with the 'fair and open' process and procedures established under the regulation and amendments to the N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et. seq.; and

WHEREAS, the CRA received six (6) responses:

Ballard Spahr

Brown & Connery

DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick & Cole, LLP

Galvin Law Firm

Greenbaum, Rowe, Smith & Davis, LLP

Weir & Partners, LLP

which were deemed qualified.

12-04-14E (cont'd)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the governing body of the City of Camden Redevelopment Agency that the Executive Director of the Agency, a duly authorized representative of the Agency, is hereby authorized to adopt the above-delineated list of prequalified law firms to provide legal services to the CRA on a task by task basis, as needed.

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: Mirta Nieves

SECONDED BY: Jose Vazquez

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ATTEST:

Saundra Ross Johnson

Executive Director

The above has been reviewed and approved as to form.

Mark P. Asselta, Esq.

General Counsel

Resolution No.: 12-04-14F
Resolution Title: Resolution Authorizing a Professional Services Agreement with Brown and Connery for the Provision of General Counsel Legal Services
Project Summary: The CRA is in need of General Legal Counsel services for 2015. The CRA undertook a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) procurement process in order to establish a prequalified list of firms to provide legal services for the CRA. Brown and Connery is on the list and has been selected to provide the required services with a contract expiration date of December 31, 2015.
Purpose of Resolution: To seek authorization to enter into an agreement with the firm of Brown and Connery to provide General Legal Counsel services for 2015.
Award Process: Brown and Connery 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: \$195.00 per hour.
Funding Source: Project Budgets and Operations
Total Project Cost: Not To Exceed: \$195.00 per hour/\$100,000.00 for 12 months

Resolution Authorizing a Professional Services Agreement with Brown and Connery for the Provision of General Counsel Legal Services

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, six (6) firms were deemed qualified and were placed on the list; and

WHERAS, the pre-qualified firm of Brown and Connery with its principal offices located at 360 Haddon Avenue, Westmont, NJ, has been deemed qualified to provide the required general counsel legal services for the year 2015; and

WHEREAS, CRA desires to execute a contract with Brown and Connery 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, 2015; 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 and Connery to provide general counsel legal services at a cost not to exceed One Hundred and Ninety-Five Dollars (\$195.00) per hour/One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) for the year 2015.

12-04-14F (cont'd)

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:

Jose Vazquez

SECONDED BY:

Kenwood Hagamin

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The above has been reviewed and approved as to form.