



BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS  
COUNTY OF MONMOUTH

## RESOLUTION 19-005

### RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF A FAIR AND OPEN CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES – LABOR COUNSEL

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Highlands has a need for professional legal services to be provided to the Borough of Highlands for the calendar year 2019 pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough has, through the fair and open process, publicly advertised for a Request for Proposals and Qualifications and said requests for Professional Services – Labor Counsel were received in the Office of the Municipal Clerk no later than 11:00 am on November 20, 2018; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough has reviewed all proposals received and has determined that the Mayor and Borough Council desires to authorize the execution of a professional services contracts between the following listed persons/firms and the Borough for the provisions of said services for the year of 2019; and

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

**WHEREAS**, certification of availability of funds has been provided by the Chief Financial Officer contingent upon the adoption of the 2019 budget.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Borough of Highlands Council as follows:

1. That the firm of, Apruzzese, McDermott, Mastro & Murphy, is hereby retained to provide professional services – Labor Counsel for an amount of \$175.00 per hour, not to exceed \$20,000 plus reimbursable expenses for professional labor counsel services for the Borough of Highlands for a 12-month period to expire December 31, 2019.
2. That the services to be rendered shall be in compliance with the Laws of New Jersey.
3. The attached Professional Legal Services Contract is hereby approved, and the Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the contract.
4. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as "Professional Service" in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(l)(a) because it is for services performed by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession.
5. A copy of this Resolution as well as the contract shall be placed on file

with the Clerk of the Borough of Highlands.

- 6. The Borough Clerk is hereby directed to publish a public notice of this award as required by law.

**Motion** to Approve Resolution 19-05:

	INTROUCED	SECONDED	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
BRASWELL			X			
BROULLON			X			
MAZZOLA			X			
RYAN		X	X			
O'NEIL	X		X			

I, Bonnie Brookes, Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Highlands, in the County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, hereby certify this to be a true copy of the action of the Governing Body, at its Council Meeting, held January 1, 2019. WITNESS my hand this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of January 2019.

  
 Bonnie Brookes, RMC  
 Municipal Clerk