



**BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS  
COUNTY OF MONMOUTH  
RESOLUTION 20-113**

**A Resolution Increasing the Contract Amount for Special Counsel with Regard to  
Litigation**

**WHEREAS**, by way of Resolution 19-218, the Borough retained Richard Gantner, Esq., of the law firm of Cleary, Giacobbe, Alfieri & Jacobs, LLC. to serve as Special Counsel with regard to a litigation matter pending in the Monmouth County Superior Court, Docket No. MON-L-1838-19; and

**WHEREAS**, by way of Resolution 19-218, the aforesaid Special Counsel was awarded a non-fair and open contract to provide such professional legal services for an amount not to exceed \$5,000 per year at an hourly rate of \$150 per hour; and

**WHEREAS**, by way of Resolution 20-062, the aforesaid contract for Special Counsel was amended to allow for an increase for an amount not to exceed \$12,500; and

**WHEREAS**, by way of Resolution 20-088, the aforesaid contract for Special Counsel was amended to allow for an increase for an amount not to exceed \$17,500; and

**WHEREAS**, the aforesaid litigation is still pending in the Monmouth County Superior Court thereby requiring an additional increase in the contract amount; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Administrator recommends an additional increase in the contract in an amount not to exceed \$18,000.00; and

**WHEREAS**, certification of availability of funds is hereby provided by the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Highlands;

Account: 0-01-20-155-000-251 Amount: Cumulative total not to exceed \$18,000

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Patrick DeBlasio, Chief Financial Officer

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Highlands that the Contract awarded to Richard Gantner, Esq. of Cleary, Giacobbe, Alfieri & Jacobs, LLC. to provide professional legal services with regard to the litigation matter pending in the Monmouth County Superior Court, Docket No. MON-L-1838-19 be and is hereby increased to an amount not to exceed a cumulative total of \$18,000.00.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Borough Clerk is hereby directed to publish notice of this award as required by law.

	INTRODUCED	SECOND	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
BRASWELL					X	
MAZZOLA				X		
RYAN		X	X			
VALKOS			X			
BROULLON	X		X			

This is a Certified True copy of the Original Resolution on file in the Municipal Clerk's Office.

DATE OF VOTE: April 1, 2020



Matthew Conlon, RMC, Municipal Clerk

