

RESOLUTION NO. 2020- 76

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF VINELAND AND THE LAW FIRM OF BETTS AND HOLT WASHINGTON, D.C. FOR ENERGY/CAPACITY AND FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION LEGAL REPRESENTATION

WHEREAS, the City of Vineland has heretofore advertised for proposals for Professional Services for energy/regulatory and Federal Energy Regulatory Commission legal representation for the City of Vineland; and

WHEREAS, the Requests were published in the City's official newspaper and the City's website; and

WHEREAS, one (1) proposal was received and referred to the City Solicitor and Business Administrator for evaluation and recommendation; and

WHEREAS, it has been recommended that a contract for the required services be awarded to Betts and Holt, LLP, Washington, D.C. based upon the history with the City in its representation and based upon the proposal submitted and received, pursuant to a fair and open process; and

WHEREAS this contract is awarded in an amount not to exceed \$375.00 per hour for partners and attorneys of counsel in the firm, \$240.00 per hour for associates and \$90.00 per hour for paralegals in an amount not to exceed \$70,000.00 estimated, plus allowable reimbursable expenses, for a contract period of February 1, 2020 through January 31, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the availability of funds for said Professional Services Contract to be awarded herein have been certified by the Chief Financial Officer; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Vineland that said contract for Professional Services for Energy/Capacity and Federal Energy Regulatory Commission legal representation be awarded to the Law Firm of Betts and Holt, LLP, Washington, D.C., based upon the proposal received, pursuant to a fair and open process, in the amount not to exceed the hourly rates as set forth herein above, estimated, plus allowable reimbursable expenses, for specified services in an amount not to exceed \$70,000.00, for a contract period of February 1, 2020 through January 31, 2021.

Adopted:

President of Council

ATTEST:

City Clerk

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AWARDS
COV RFP # 2019-50

Request Professional Service contract(s) be awarded at the February 11, 2020 City Council Meeting as follows:

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE:

AWARD TO:

Labor Attorney:

Gruccio, Pepper, DeSanto & Ruth, P.A.
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Teaneck, NJ 07666

Public Power Attorney:

DeCotiis, FitzPatrick, Cole & Giblin, LLP
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500 Frank W. Burr Blvd., Suite 21
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Associate Solicitor:

Medio Law Firm LLC
717 E. Elmer St., Suite 7
Vineland, NJ 08360

Buonadonna & Benson
1138 E Chestnut Ave.
Vineland, NJ 08360

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Vineland, NJ 08362-1090

Tax Attorney:

Testa Heck Testa & White, PA
PO Box 749
Vineland, NJ 08362-0749

Part Time Prosecutor:

Thomas M. Corrigan, Esq.
463 E. Commerce St.
Bridgeton, NJ 08302

Municipal Foreclosure:

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1138 E Chestnut Ave.
Vineland, NJ 08360

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102 N. 6th St.
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717 E. Elmer St., Suite 7
Vineland, NJ 08360

Bond Counsel:

McManimon Scotland & Baumann
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Roseland, NJ 07068

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Defender:**

Alfred J. Verderose
600 E. Landis Ave.
Vineland, NJ 08360-8007

**PT Alternate Court Public
Defender:**

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Vineland, NJ 08362-0749

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Counsellors at Law
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