Township Council
1 Municipal Plaza
Bloomfield, NJ 07003

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Municipal Clerk

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Meeting: 11/28/22 07:00 PM

2022 RESOLUTION AWARD OF CONTRACT

2022 RESOLUTION EMERGENCY REPAIR AUTHORIZATION

WHEREAS, On July 27, 2022, the Bloomfield Water Department received a call regarding a watermain leak in the vicinity of 18 Vine Place; and

WHEREAS, at this time, the Public Works Water Department was in the process of repairing a water service leak at the Bloomfield Municipal Building and Police Department Central Communications building and were unable to assemble a repair crew to fully address this situation; and

WHEREAS, in order to expeditiously make the repair, Carner Brothers of Roseland, NJ were dispatched to make the repair; and

WHEREAS, during investigation, it was found that the leak was caused by a break in a 2-inch galvanized service line which provided water to several residence on Vine Place and;

WHEREAS, the existence of a galvanized main is problematic in the flowing ways:

1. Galvanized lines are no longer utilized for water systems, particularly one that is only 2-inches in diameter. The current standard is for distribution lines to be a minimum of 6 inches. Also, galvanized lines tend to corrode from the inside and continue to break once a single break has been found and repaired. In addition, corroded galvanized lines are subject to blockage and disruption of service.

2. Current NJDEP Drinking Water standards consider galvanized lines to be "lead service lines" due to the possibility that some of the coatings and materials within such a line may contain lead. As a result, such lines are

mandated to be removed or placed out of service once they are found to

maintain drinking water quality and potential health hazards related to lead.

;and

WHEREAS, Based upon the above findings, it was determined that in addition to
stopping the leak at this location, the contractor be directed to also remove all residences
from the galvanized line and connect them to a parallel 6-inch watermain also located along
Vine Place. It was furthermore determined that the work be designated as an emergency
based upon the findings above, additionally the leak resulted in instability as well as lack of
access to the roadway for emergency and service vehicles because Vine Street and Vine Place
are very narrow roadways;

;and

WHEREAS, the work commenced on July 27th and included the following:

-        Excavation of the roadway and repair of the 2-inch line to stop the leak.
-        Removal of the service lines from the galvanized line and connection to the
         6-inch main for numbers 14, 15, 18 and 20 Vine Place.
-        Installation of 183 Linear Feet of copper service line.
-        Installation of four new curb stops or valves
-        Backfill and restoration of the roadway, including 21.7 tons of hot asphalt
         pavement.

The work was completed on August 4, 2022 and resulted in repair of the leak as well as
removal of these residences from the antiquated galvanized line and;

WHEREAS, the total cost of the work was $137,565.01; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified the availability of funds to pay
the contract in capital account W-06-55-594-001; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A: 11-6 and the Township
Code, the approval of the Council of the Township of Bloomfield is required in order to make
payment to the vendors, for the contract price of the Services;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BLOOMFIELD:

1.   That payment to the vendor be made part hereof, of the contract prices for the Emergency Repairs along Vine Place in the aggregate amount not to exceed $137,565.01 are hereby approved.

2.   The work be considered an emergency based upon the circumstances described above.

3.   That said payment represents the total cost of the work.

4.   That the Clerk of the Township of Bloomfield forward two (2) certified copies of this resolution to the Chief Financial Officer and one copy to the Township Engineer.

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Approved as to form and procedure on basis of facts set forth.
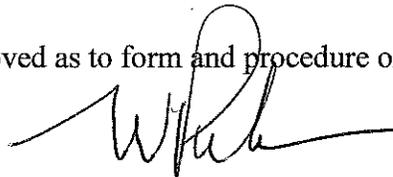
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Director of Law-Township Attorney

I do hereby certify that the funding will be legally appropriated per the above information for the purpose specified in the attached contract. Furthermore, it has been represented to me that the contracts have been processed in accordance with the applicable provisions of New Jersey Local Public Contract Law and the Code of the Township of Bloomfield.
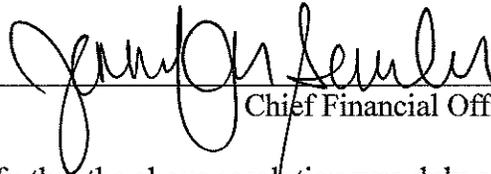
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Chief Financial Officer

I hereby certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Bloomfield at a meeting of said Township Council held on November 28, 2022.
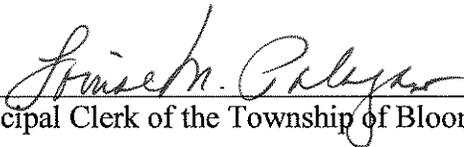
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Municipal Clerk of the Township of Bloomfield
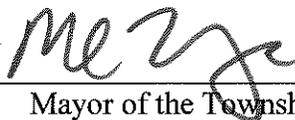
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Mayor of the Township of Bloomfield

✓ **Vote Record – Resolution**						
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	Nicholas Joanow		☑	☐	☐	☐
	Sarah Cruz		☑	☐	☐	☐
	Wartyna Davis		☐	☐	☐	☑
	Ted Gamble		☑	☐	☐	☐
	Richard Rockwell		☑	☐	☐	☐
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