



Township Council
1 Municipal Plaza
Bloomfield, NJ 07003

Louise M. Palagano
Municipal Clerk

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Meeting: 01/27/20 07:00 PM

2020 RESOLUTION APPROVAL

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RESOLUTION: AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP ASSESSOR TO TAKE CERTAIN ACTIONS TO PROSECUTE AND DEFEND TAX APPEALS

WHEREAS, the deadline for the filing of all tax appeals, either by taxpayers or the municipality, is anticipated to be May 1, 2020 because of the ongoing revaluation; and

WHEREAS, the owners of certain real property located in the Township Bloomfield will be filing tax appeals for the year 2020 with the Essex County Board of Taxation and the Tax Court of New Jersey on the allegation that these certain properties are not assessed at an amount reflecting their fair and equitable value; and

WHEREAS, after carefully investigating those tax appeals which are filed against the Township before the Essex County Board of Taxation and the Tax Court of New Jersey, the Township Assessor may determine that the market value of the property in question may not exceed the equalized assessment, after the application of the appropriate ratio and therefore, the assessment may be inadequate in its contribution to the Township's ratable base; and

WHEREAS, after carefully reviewing the assessments of other properties, the Township Assessor may determine that the assessments are

erroneous and/or not indicative of the properties' fair market value and therefore need to be corrected by way of a tax appeal to the Essex County Board of Taxation and the Tax Court of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the assessment of such properties must be defended and/or revised to reflect their fair and full value; and

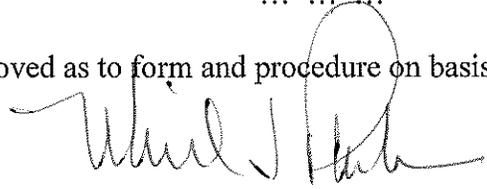
WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Mayor and Township Council to authorize the Township Attorney and/or Special Tax Counsel to file counterclaims and municipal appeals as deemed by the Township Assessor to be necessary.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Bloomfield, in the County of Essex and State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The Township Assessor and/or Special Tax Counsel are hereby authorized to direct the filings in appeals to the Essex County Board of Taxation and/or the Tax Court of New Jersey, including without limitation the filing of answers and/or counterclaims, and such other pleadings as they may deem necessary to ensure the assessments of property within the municipality are at a fair and equitable value.
2. The Township Attorney and/or Special Tax Counsel are hereby authorized to file municipal appeals to correct erroneous and/or inaccurate assessments as deemed to be necessary and in the best interest of the fiscal integrity of the Township.
3. This resolution shall take effect immediately and retroactively applies to January 1, 2020.

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Approved as to form and procedure on basis of facts set forth.



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.



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 January 27, 2020.



Municipal Clerk of the Township of Bloomfield



Mayor of the Township of Bloomfield

✓ Vote Record – Resolution						
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	Nicholas Joanow	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
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	Ted Gamble	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
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