

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, on Tuesday, June 9, 2015, the Township Council for the Township of West Orange (the "Township") passed Resolution 156-15 which authorized the commencement of a declaratory judgment action consistent with the transitional process established in the New Jersey Supreme Court In the Matter of the Adoption of N.J.A.C. 5:96 and 5:97 by the New Jersey Council on Affordable Housing, 221 N.J. 1 (2015) (the "Affordable Housing Decision") to obtain judgment approving of the Township's affordable housing plan; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 156-15 also authorized the execution of a Shared Services Agreement and payment of \$2,000 for the retention of expert witness who would provide reports and testimony, if necessary, on a behalf of a consortium of municipalities filing similar declaratory judgment actions; and

WHEREAS, the consortium of municipalities has retained Econsult Solutions, Inc. ("Econsult") who provided various reports submitted to the Superior Court of New Jersey in the pending declaratory judgment actions proposing fair share housing obligations and other issues arising in the various declaratory judgment actions; and

WHEREAS, on Tuesday, May 3, 2016, the Township Council adopted Resolution 107-16 authorizing the replenishment of funds to the consortium of municipalities; and

WHEREAS, the consortium of municipalities requires additional funds to further fund responses to various reports issued by the Fair Share Housing Center and the New Jersey Builder's Association and continue various proceedings that will have a dramatic effect on the outcome of the Township's declaratory judgment action;; and

WHEREAS, the consortium of municipalities has requested that each municipality pay an additional \$2,000 to continue the retention of Econsult.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST ORANGE, that the Township is hereby authorized to submit an

additional \$2,000 payment to further the retention of Econsult and fund the efforts of the municipal consortium; and be it further

RESOLVED this resolution shall be published and made available in the Clerk's office in accordance with applicable law.

Karen J. Carnevale, R.M.C.
Municipal Clerk

Victor Cirilo
Council President

Adopted: June 28, 2016

I hereby certify funds are available from: _____
Account No.

JOHN O. GROSS, CFO