

EXTRACT from the minutes of a regular meeting of the Township Council of the Township of West Orange, in the County of Essex, New Jersey, on November 24, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

ABSENT:

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_____ introduced and moved the adoption of the following resolution, and seconded the motion:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL EMERGENCY NOTES IN AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO THE SPECIAL EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION MADE FOR THE PURPOSES SET FORTH IN N.J.S.A. 40A:4-53(L) AND/OR N.J.S.A. 40A:4-53(M), IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST ORANGE, IN THE COUNTY OF ESSEX, NEW JERSEY

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST ORANGE, IN THE COUNTY OF ESSEX, NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring) AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. An ordinance authorizing a special emergency appropriation of \$7,876,278, or such other amount certified by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services (the "Authorized Amount"), by the Township of West Orange, in the County of Essex, New Jersey (the "Township") for the purposes set forth in N.J.S.A. 40A:4-53(l) and/or N.J.S.A. 40A:4-53(m) has been finally adopted by the Township Council of the Township, and a copy

thereof has been filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey (the "Director").

Section 2. (a) In order to finance the special emergency appropriation described in Section 1 of this resolution, the Township is hereby authorized to borrow the Authorized Amount and to issue its special emergency notes (the "Notes") therefor in accordance with the Local Budget Law of New Jersey (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-55) (the "Local Budget Law").

(b) The Notes authorized by this resolution may be issued in amounts and denominations not exceeding in the aggregate the amount of Notes authorized herein, as determined by the Chief Financial Officer of the Township pursuant to this resolution.

(c) The Township may finance the special emergency appropriation from surplus funds available or may borrow money in a manner prescribed herein. Where an appropriation is financed from surplus funds available, at least one-fifth of the amount thereof shall be included in each annual budget until the appropriation has been fully provided for, beginning in the year after the year in which the resulting deferred charge appears in the Township's unaudited financial statement.

Section 3. The following matters in connection with the Notes are hereby determined:

(a) All Notes issued hereunder and any renewals thereof shall mature at such time as may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer within the limitations of the Local Budget Law, provided however, that at least one-fifth of all such Notes and the renewals thereof shall mature and be paid in each year, beginning in the year after the year in which the resulting deferred charge appears in the Township's unaudited financial statement, so that all Notes and

renewals shall have matured and have been paid not later than the last day of the sixth year following the date of this resolution;

(b) All Notes issued hereunder shall bear interest at such rate or rates as may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer;

(c) The Notes shall be in the form determined by the Chief Financial Officer and the Chief Financial Officer's signature upon the Notes shall be conclusive as to such determination;

(d) The Township shall apply for any financial assistance that may be available to the Township from the federal government, the State of New Jersey, and other sources to offset any operating deficit directly attributable to COVID-19, and any such financial assistance obtained by the Township shall be utilized to offset any operating deficit or, if applicable, to payment of the Notes issued hereunder. The amount of Notes authorized but not issued hereunder shall be reduced to the extent that such funds are so used.

Section 4. The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized and directed to determine all matters in connection with the Notes not determined by this or a subsequent resolution and the Chief Financial Officer's signature upon the Notes shall be conclusive as to such determination.

Section 5. The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to sell the Notes from time to time at public or private sale in such amounts as such officer may determine at not less than par and to deliver the same from time to time to the purchasers thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price plus accrued interest from their dates to the date of delivery thereof and payment therefor.

Section 6. Any instrument issued pursuant to this resolution shall be a general obligation of the Township. The full faith and credit of the Township are hereby pledged to the

punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the Notes and, unless otherwise paid or payment provided for, an amount sufficient for such payment shall be inserted in the budget and a tax sufficient to provide for the payment thereof shall be levied and collected.

Section 7. The Chief Financial Officer is authorized and directed to report in writing to this governing body at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of the Notes pursuant to this resolution is made, such report to include the amount, description, interest rate and maturity of the Notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

Section 8. The Township hereby makes the following covenants and declarations with respect to Notes to be issued by the Chief Financial Officer of the Township on a tax-exempt basis, if any. The Township hereby covenants that it will comply with any conditions subsequent imposed by the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), in order to preserve the exemption from taxation of interest on the Notes, including, if necessary, the requirement to rebate all net investment earnings on the gross proceeds above the yield on the Notes. The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to act on behalf of the Township to deem the obligations authorized herein as bank qualified for the purposes of Section 265 of the Code, when appropriate. The Township hereby declares the intent of the Township to issue Notes in the amount authorized in Section 1 of this resolution and to use the proceeds to pay or reimburse expenditures for the costs of the purpose described herein. This Section 8 is a declaration of intent within the meaning and for purposes of Treasury Regulations §1.150-2 or any successor provisions of federal income tax law.

Section 9. Solely for purposes of complying with Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission, as amended and interpreted from time to time (the "Rule"), and provided that the Notes are not exempt from the Rule and provided that the Notes are not exempt from the

following requirements in accordance with paragraph (d) of the Rule, for so long as the Notes remain outstanding (unless the Notes and any renewals thereof have been wholly defeased), the Township shall provide for the benefit of the holders of the Notes and the beneficial owners thereof:

(a) Not more than 270 days following the close of the fiscal year in which the Notes are issued, electronically to the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board's Electronic Municipal Market Access ("EMMA") system or such other repository designated by the Securities and Exchange Commission to be an authorized repository for filing secondary market disclosure information, if any, annual financial information with respect to the Township consisting of the audited financial statements (or unaudited financial statements if audited financial statements are not then available, which audited financial statements will be delivered when and if available) of the Township and certain financial information and operating data consisting of (1) Township indebtedness and overlapping indebtedness including a schedule of outstanding debt issued by the Township; (2) property valuation information; and (3) tax rate, levy and collection data. The audited financial statements will be prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles as modified by governmental accounting standards as may be required by New Jersey law.

(b) If any of the following events occur regarding the Notes, a timely notice not in excess of ten business days after the occurrence of the event sent to EMMA:

- (1) Principal and interest payment delinquencies;
- (2) Non-payment related defaults, if material;
- (3) Unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties;
- (4) Unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties;
- (5) Substitution of credit or liquidity providers or their failure to perform;

- (6) Adverse tax opinions, the issuance by the Internal Revenue Service of proposed or final determinations of taxability, Notices of Proposed Issue (IRS Form 5701-TEB) or other material notices or determinations with respect to the tax status of the Notes, or other material events affecting the tax status of the Notes;
- (7) Modifications to the rights of holders of the Notes, if material;
- (8) Bond calls, if material, and tender offers;
- (9) Defeasances;
- (10) Release, substitution or sale of property securing repayment of the Notes, if material;
- (11) Rating changes;
- (12) Bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar event of the Township;
- (13) The consummation of a merger, consolidation or acquisition involving the Township or the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the Township, other than in the ordinary course of business, the entry into a definitive agreement to undertake such an action or the termination of a definitive agreement relating to any such actions, other than pursuant to its terms, if material;
- (14) Appointment of a successor or additional trustee or the change of name of a trustee, if material;
- (15) Incurrence of a Financial Obligation of the Township, if material, or agreement to covenants, events of default, remedies, priority rights or other similar terms of a Financial Obligation, any of which affect holders of the Notes, if material; and
- (16) Default, event of acceleration, termination event, modification of terms or other similar events under a Financial Obligation of the Township, if any such event reflects financial difficulties.

The term "Financial Obligation" as used in subparagraphs (b)(15) and (b)(16) above means a (i) debt obligation, (ii) derivative instrument entered into in connection with, or pledged as security or a source of payment for, an existing or planned debt obligation or (iii) guarantee of (i) or (ii); provided, however, that the term "Financial Obligation" shall not include municipal securities as to which a final official statement has been provided to the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board consistent with the Rule.

(c) Notice of failure of the Township to provide required annual financial information on or before the date specified in this resolution shall be sent in a timely manner to EMMA.

(d) If all or any part of the Rule ceases to be in effect for any reason, then the information required to be provided under this resolution, insofar as the provision of the Rule no longer in effect required the provision of such information, shall no longer be required to be provided.

(e) The Chief Financial Officer shall determine, in consultation with Bond Counsel, the application of the Rule or the exemption from the Rule for each issue of Notes prior to their offering. Such Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to enter into written contracts or undertaking to implement this resolution and is further authorized to amend such contracts or undertakings as needed to comply with the Rule or upon the advice of Bond Counsel.

(f) In the event that the Township fails to comply with this resolution or the written contract or undertaking, the Township shall not be liable for monetary damages, remedy of the holders or beneficial owners of the notes being hereby specifically limited to specific performance of the covenants contained in this resolution or the written contract or undertaking.

Section 10. A copy of this resolution as adopted shall be filed with the Director.

Section 11. This resolution shall take effect upon the latter of (i) the date determined by applicable law or (ii) the earlier of (a) the date the Director approves in writing the application submitted by the Chief Financial Officer of the Township for approval of the special emergency being financed by the Notes (the "Application") and (b) the date that is 45 days (or the first business day following such 45th day, if applicable) following the date the Chief Financial Officer submits the Application to the Director.

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

NAYES:

CERTIFICATE

I, Karen J. Carnevale, Clerk of the Township of West Orange, in the County of Essex, State of New Jersey (the "Township"), HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing annexed extract from the minutes of a meeting of the governing body of the Township duly called and held on _____, 2020 has been compared by me with the original minutes as officially recorded in my office in the Minute Book of the governing body and is a true, complete and correct copy thereof and of the whole of the original minutes so far as they relate to the subject matters referred to in the extract.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal of
the Township this ____ day of _____, 2020.

Karen J. Carnevale, Clerk

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