

**RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT TO FERNO WASHINGTON INC.
THROUGH THE USE OF THE NPPGOV NATIONAL COOPERATIVE PURSUANT TO
N.J.S.A. 52:34-6.2**

WHEREAS, three of the West Orange Fire Departments patient stretchers are obsolete according to Federal compliance regulations. The replacement of this equipment will increase the safety and wellbeing of our firefighters and community members who are served; and

WHEREAS, the purchase of these new power lift cots through a national cooperative will provide a cost effective way to increase the safety of our firefighters, reduce risk of injury, and offer a significant long term cost savings for the WOFD's budget; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 52:34-6.2 authorizes contracting units to purchase goods or to contract for services through the use of a nationally recognized and accepted cooperative purchasing agreement that has been developed utilizing a competitive bidding process by another contracting unit with the State of New Jersey or within any other state, when available; and

WHEREAS, Ferno Washington Inc. through contract with National Purchasing Partners Gov (NPPGov); and

WHEREAS, the Township of West Orange, membership No.1935 has been a member since 2005; and

WHEREAS, the Purchasing Agent published on January 13, 2021 a Notice of Intent, pursuant to the Local Finance Notice 2012-10 to utilize the NPPGov Cooperative Contract No. PS20170 to purchase three Air Lift Cots, and provided a comment period to allow vendors a mechanism to provide alternate proposals; and

WHEREAS, there were no responses from other vendors; and

WHEREAS, the Township's Fire Department did due diligence comparing multiple companies for said equipment and recommends Ferno Washington Inc., located s the VCI Emergency Vehicle Specialists Company, located 70 Well Way, Willington, Ohio 45177, as the best company to meet the Fire Departments needs and budget (see Exhibit "A").

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the West Orange Township Council the following:

1. The Township shall receive from Ferno Washington Inc. all supplemental documentation which complies with the laws of the State of New Jersey for entities awarded a contract by a public entity.
2. The Township Purchasing Agent shall be authorized to enter into a contract on behalf of the Township and a purchase order issued.
3. The Township's Chief Financial Officer certifies sufficient funds are available for said procurement in the amount of \$53,821.48

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

Cindy Matute-Brown, Council President

Adopted: January 26, 2021

**I hereby certify funds are available from: Capital Account No. 03-2544-18-0100-020/
\$53,821.48**

John Gross, Chief Financial Officer