

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, various members of the Township Council have raised the issue of the Township's legal budget; and

WHEREAS, the Township Attorney has provided all of his invoices and time records; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has provided accounting information with regard to other legal charges that have been incurred including special redevelopment counsel, ABC matters, tax appeals, labor matters and related items over the past five years; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Clerk has obtained certain information from neighboring towns; and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Department of Law desires to have a full analysis of the Township's legal budget and possible mechanisms to explore the most efficient and competent provision of legal services to the Township;

WHEREAS, the Township auditors are the appropriate professionals to assist in this analysis;

NOW, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of West Orange that the Township Council supports and encourages the Mayor to request the Township auditors at a charge not to exceed \$7,500 to analyze the Township's legal budget, compare the Township's legal expenses against similar neighboring towns and provide a report to the Mayor and Council with regard to these issues.

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

Tammy Williams
Council President

Adopted: June 13, 2023