

**RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT TO DELTA FIRE & SAFETY THROUGH
USE OF THE H-GAC NATIONAL COOPERATIVE PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 52:34-6.2**

WHEREAS, on June 20, 2023 the West Orange Fire Department was awarded a grant from the U.S Department of Homeland Security FY 2022 Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG), and

WHEREAS, the funds will be used to purchase Ready Rack extractors and dryer cabinets to clean the Fire Departments Turnout Gear; 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, the Houston-Galveston Area Council (H-GAC) is a regional planning commission and political subdivision of the State of Texas operating under Chapter 391, Texas Local Government Code; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council, by Resolution No.178-14 dated September 23, 2014, authorized membership with said H-GAC, a recognized National Cooperative, thus becoming a member; and

WHEREAS, the Purchasing Agent published on February 28, 2024 a Notice of Intent, pursuant to the Local Finance Notice 2012-10 to utilize the H-GAC Cooperative Contract No. EP11-20 to purchase 4 Vortex DC2 Drying Cabinets and 3 EW35G Extractors plus supplies 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 on the H-GAC Cooperative contract EP11-20 for 4 Vortex DC2 Drying Cabinets and 3 EW35G Extractors plus supplies and recommends the Delta Fire & Safety, located 3159 Summit Dr, Port Neches, TX 77651 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 Delta Fire & Safety 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 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 not to exceed \$44,976.00

Karen J. Carnevale, R.M.C., Municipal Clerk **Bill Rutherford, Council President**

Adopted: March 26, 2024

I hereby certify funds available from the following accounts:

Grant Account No.: 01-2040-41-2200-223
\$44,976.00

John O. Gross, Chief Financial Officer