

## RESOLUTION

**WHEREAS**, on April 16<sup>th</sup> 2024, the Township's Construction Supervisor and Township Engineer inspected Wheatland Avenue permit parking Lot 17 to assess the severe damage caused by the torrential rain experienced between March 2024 and the first and second week of April 2024; and

**WHEREAS**, half of the length and width of the roadway was severely cracked and decayed exposing the dense graded aggregate course of the road and several areas were washed out causing a safety hazard to residents and pedestrian traffic using Wheatland Avenue permit parking lot 17; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Law, Emergency Contracts, N.J.S.A. 40A:11.6a the Municipal Engineer on April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024 notified the Administration and Purchasing Agent of the need to perform an emergency contract for this work with an approximate estimated cost between \$100,000.00 to \$150,000.00; and

**WHEREAS**, it was concluded that to expedite the work and to perform the emergency repair of the roadway to protect public health and safety, an emergency contract was issued to Grabowski Construction, Inc. who was readily available to mobilize and perform the work; and

**WHEREAS**, Grabowski Construction, Inc. submitted an invoice dated May 10, 2024 for the emergency repair of Wheatland Avenue and its associated improvements in the amount of \$122,300.00; and

**WHEREAS**, the Municipal Engineer by letter dated May 13, 2024 recommends paying the costs of this emergency work; and

**WHEREAS**, sufficient funds exist for this work; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Council concurs in the foregoing.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of West Orange that an emergency appropriation in an amount not to exceed \$122,300.00 without authorization is

authorized to Grabowski Construction, Inc. for emergency work to repair Wheatland Avenue parking lot.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this work was performed pursuant to the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law, Emergency Contracts, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6 as the work was required to protect public health and welfare.

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

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**Bill Rutherford, Council President**

**Adopted: May 21, 2024**

**I hereby certify funds are available from Account No.** 

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**\$122,300.00**

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**John Gross, Chief Financial Officer**