

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, on May 18, 2026, a sinkhole suddenly formed due to a manhole failure on Franklin Avenue near its intersection with Main Street; and

WHEREAS, on May 21, 2026, a sinkhole suddenly formed due to a manhole failure on Park Terrace near its intersection with Main Street; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6 and N.J.A.C. 5:34-6.1, in the case of emergencies that affect the public health, safety and welfare, any contract may be negotiated or awarded for the Township of West Orange without public advertising for bids; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Law, Emergency Contracts, N.J.S.A. 40A:11.6a the Municipal Engineer on May 19, 2026 notified the Purchasing Agent of the need to perform an emergency contract for Franklin Avenue and on May 28, 2026 notified the Purchasing Agent of the need to perform an emergency contract for Park Terrace; and

WHEREAS, to expedite the work and to perform the emergency repair of the sanitary sewer manhole and roadway to protect public health and safety an emergency contract would be issued to Shauger Property Services, Inc., as they are familiar with the required improvements and were readily available to perform the emergency work; and

WHEREAS, The Shauger Group submitted an invoice dated May 31, 2026 for the emergency repair of Franklin Avenue and Park Terrace in the amount of \$67,786.94; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Engineer by letter dated June 23, 2026 recommends paying the costs of this emergency work; and

WHEREAS, the Township is fully compliant with the statutory requirements set forth in N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6; 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 \$67,786.94 is authorized to compensate Shauger Property Services, Inc. for the emergency sanitary sewer manhole repair and roadway repair at Franklin Avenue near its intersection with Main Street and Park Terrace near its intersection with Main Street is authorized pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6 and N.J.A.C. 5:34-6.1; and

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.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor, Township Clerk, and other appropriate Township officials are hereby authorized to take any and all required actions to carry out this contract as set forth herein.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chief Financial Officer has certified that the funds are available in the budget in the amount of \$67,786.94 for the payment of this emergency contract and the line-item appropriations number to be charged is _____.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the emergency contract with, Shauger Property Services, Inc., relating to the sanitary sewer manhole and roadway repair at Franklin Avenue near its intersection with Main Street and Park Terrace near its intersection with Main Street is ratified from the date of commencement of the emergency until the date of adoption of this authorizing resolution.

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

Susan Scarpa
Council President

Adopted: September 15, 2026

I certify funds are available for this work:

Account No.
2026 Capital Account
\$67,786.94

John Ditinyak, Chief Financial Officer