RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT THROUGH A FAIR AND OPEN PROCESS IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.J.S.A. 19:44 A-20.4 ET SEQ., TO GOLDENBERG, MACKLER, SAYEGH, MINTZ, PFEFFER, BONCHI & GILL, ATTORNEYS AT LAW, 600 NEW ROAD, SUITE 1A, NORTHFIELD, NEW JERSEY 08225, TO CONDUCT IN REM FORECLOSURES ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF TRENTON, DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $350,000 (RFP 2016-30)

WHEREAS, the City has a need for a vendor to conduct in rem foreclosures on behalf of the City of Trenton, Department of Housing and Economic Development; and

WHEREAS, Request for Proposals 2016-30 was advertised and three (3) proposals were received in response; and

WHEREAS, the proposals were evaluated by a committee based on criteria that included experience and qualifications, understanding of services required, and a cost proposal; and

WHEREAS, the proposal of Goldberg, Mackler, Sayegh, Mintz, Pfeffer, Bonchi & Gill, Attorneys at Law, 600 New Road, Suite 1A, Northfield, New Jersey 08225 (the “Vendor”), was deemed to include the necessary qualifications and expertise for the performance of the professional services sought; and

WHEREAS, the contract with the Vendor shall be for a period of one (1) year, and in an amount not to exceed $350,000; and

WHEREAS, funds in the amount not to exceed $350,000 have been certified to be available in account number 7-01-60-6020-290.

NOW, THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Trenton, as follows:

1. The Mayor is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with the Vendor.

2. This contract is awarded pursuant to the authority set forth in the Local Public Contracts Law at N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5.

3. A notice of this action shall be printed once in the official newspaper for the City of Trenton and the Resolution and contract shall remain on file in the City Clerk’s Office.

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This Resolution was adopted at a Meeting of the City Council of the City of Trenton on AUG 18 2016

President of Council

City Clerk
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT
RFP #2016-30
RESOLUTION # 16-524

THIS CONTRACT, made this 18th day of AUGUST 2016 by and between the City of Trenton, a municipal corporation of the State of New Jersey, ("City") and GOLDENBERG, MACKLER, SAYEGH, MINTZ, PFESSER, BONCHI, & GILL, ATTORNEYS AT LAW, 660 NEW ROAD, STE 1A, NORTHFIELD, NJ 08225 ("CONTRACTOR")

WHEREAS, the City has a need for PROFESSIONAL SERVICES for the City of Trenton, Department of Housing and Economic Development.

WHEREAS, Contractor agrees to provide PROFESSIONAL SERVICES to conduct In Rem Foreclosures for the Department of Housing and Economic Development in terms and conditions as set forth hereinafter, and the City being agreeable thereto;

NOW THEREFORE, the parties mutually agree as follows:

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES: The City agrees to award a contract to GOLDENBERG, MACKLER, SAYEGH, MINTZ, PFESSER, BONCHI & GILL ATTORNEYS AT LAW, 660 NEW ROAD, STE 1A, NORTHFIELD, NJ 08225 for the City of Trenton, Department of Housing and Economic Development.

1. SCOPE OF SERVICES: The Contractor warrants that the representations made by it regarding its ability and skill level to carry out these services are true. Contractor shall, in a good, professional and workmanlike manner, in conformity with the responsibilities, demands and ethics of their profession, perform all reasonable and necessary services as described as follows:

i. Conducting foreclosure proceedings for the City of Trenton and performing all duties related thereto.

   A. Qualifications, experience and reputation of staff that will conduct the foreclosure work.

   B. Price proposal including a breakdown of the following:
      - Title search fee per property;
      - Attorney fee per property;
      - Filing and recording fees per property;
      - Certificate of Regularity fee per property;
• Other fees and costs necessary to complete the foreclosure work (i.e., photocopying, postage, etc.)
• Total cost per property which includes all of the fees and costs.

C. History and experience of firm or attorney conducting foreclosures in the State of New Jersey, including experience foreclosing on tax sale certificates.

2. DURATION OF THE CONTRACT: This contract shall remain in full force and in an amount not to exceed $350,000.00 for a period of one year.

3. COMPENSATION: All work performed by the Contractor according to the attached scope of services. The Contractor shall submit monthly bills complete with appropriate support documentation to justify said billing.

In no event during the terms of this Contract, Contractor’s billings shall hereunder exceed the amount set forth in Resolution No. 16-524 which is incorporated herein by reference. In the event Contractor anticipates exceeding the aforesaid contract amount, the Independent Contractor, shall give prior written notice to the City of Trenton, Department of Housing and Economic Development.

4. STATUS OF CONTRACTOR: It is expressly understood by and between the parties hereto that the status of the Contractor retained to carry out the services set forth in this agreement is that of an Independent Contractor. It is further understood by and between the parties that is not intended nor shall it be construed, that the contractor is an agent, employee, or officer of the City of Trenton.

5. NOTICES: Any notices required to be delivered to either party pursuant to this Contract shall be in writing to their respective addresses. The parties shall be responsible for notifying each other of any change of address.

6. INTEGRATION: RFP# 2016-30 and this contract constitutes the entire agreement between the parties and any representation that may have been made prior to the execution of this Contract are
nonbonding, void, and of no effect and neither party has relied on any such prior representations in entering into this Contract.

7. **ENFORCEABILITY:** If any term or condition of this Contract or its application to any party or circumstances shall be deemed invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of the Contract and its application to other parties and circumstances shall not be affected.

8. **GOVERNING LAW:** This Contract shall be governed by the laws of the State of New Jersey.

9. **MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS:**

   a. Contractor, will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, sex, gender identity or expression, affectional or sexual orientation, disability or nationality. Contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that such applicants are recruited and employed and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, sex, affectional, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation. Such action shall include, but is not limited to the following: employment, upgrading, demotion or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. Contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the Public Agency Compliance Officer setting forth provisions of this nondiscrimination clause;

   b. Contractor, where applicable will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, sex, gender identity or expression, affectional or sexual orientation.

   c. Contractor, where applicable, agrees to comply with the regulations promulgated by the Treasurer pursuant to P.L.
1975, c. 127, as amended and supplemented from time to time and the American with Disabilities Act.

d. Contractor, where applicable, agrees to attempt to schedule minority and female workers consistent with the applicable county employment goals prescribed by N.J.A.C. 17:27-5.2 promulgated by the Treasurer pursuant to P.L. 1975, c. 127, as amended and supplemented from time to time or in accordance with a binding determination of the applicable county employment goals determined by the Affirmative Action Office pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:27-5.2, amended and supplemented from time to time.

e. Contractor, where applicable, agrees to inform in writing appropriate recruitment agencies in the area, including employment agencies, placement bureaus, colleges, universities, labor unions that it does not discriminate on the basis of age, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, sex, gender identity or expression, affectional, sexual orientation, disability or nationality and that it will discontinue the use of any recruitment agency which engages in direct or indirect discriminatory practices.

f. Contractor, where applicable, agrees to review all procedures relating to transfer, upgrading, downgrading and layoff to ensure that all such actions are take without regard to age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, sex, gender identity or expression, affectional, sexual orientation, disability or nationality. Contractor will conform these employment goals consistent with statutes and court decisions of the State of New Jersey, and applicable Federal law and Federal court decisions.

g. Contractor, where applicable, shall furnish such reports or other documents to the Affirmative Action Office as may be requested by the office from time to time in order to carry out the purposes of these regulations. Contractor shall furnish such information as may be requested by the Affirmative Action Office for conducting a compliance investigation pursuant to Subchapter 10 of the Administrative Code (N.J.A.C. 17:27).
h. Contractor, shall submit along with the signed contract one of the following as evidence of compliance with N.J.A.C. 17-27:

1. Appropriate evidence that the Independent contractor is operating under an existing Federally approved or sanctioned affirmative action program.


3. An initial employee information report (Form AA#302) provided by the Affirmative Action Office and completed by the contractor in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:27-4

GOLDBERG, MACKLER, SAYEGH, MINTZ, PFEFFER, BONCHI & GILL
ATTORNEYS AT LAW
660 NEW ROAD, STE 1A
NORTHFIELD, NJ 08225

DATE
9/2/16

Seal

Attest:

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year above written.

ATTEST:
RICHARD M. KACHMAR
CITY CLERK
9/27/16

CITY OF TRENTON

DATE

ERIC E. JACKSON
MAYOR

DATE