

RESOLUTION

No. 22-274

JUL 07 2022

Date of Adoption

Approved as to Form and Legality

Factual content certified by

Wesley Bridges, Esq., CITY ATTORNEY

ADAM E. CRUZ - BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR

Councilman/woman Marge Caldwell-Wilson presents the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A PROFESSIONAL LEGAL SERVICES CONTRACT TO CRISTINA L. VAZQUES, Esq., THROUGH A FAIR AND OPEN PROCESS IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5 ET SEQ., TO PROVIDE PROSECUTORIAL SERVICES FOR THE PERIOD COVERING JULY 1, 2022, TO DECEMBER 31, 2022, IN TRENTON MUNICIPAL COURT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$32,500.00 - RFP2022-22

WHEREAS, the City of Trenton has a need for municipal prosecutorial services with regards to matters concerning Trenton Municipal Court; and

WHEREAS, request for proposals were advertised on the City website and one (1) proposal was received and opened in the City Purchasing Office at 11:00 AM on May 27, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the proposal of Cristina L. Vazquez, Esq., was reviewed by the evaluation committee and recommended that a contract be awarded at a rate of \$215.00 per regular session and an additional \$300 per session for preparation per day. (video court prep sessions must be at least two (2) hours or longer); and

WHEREAS, the total contract amount not to exceed \$32,500.00 will cover the period of July 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022; and

WHEREAS, funds in an amount not to exceed \$32,500.00 have been certified to be available contingent upon the adoption of the temporary or final CY22 Budget in Account No. 2-01- -35-3500-291.

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

1. The Mayor is hereby authorized to execute a contract with Cristina L. Vazquez, Esq. in an amount not to exceed \$32,500.00 to provide municipal prosecutorial services.
2. This contract is awarded through a fair and open process as a "Professional Service" in accordance with N.J.S.A. 19:44 A-20.5 et seq. and in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a) of the Local Public Contracts Law because the contract is for a service performed by a person(s) authorized by law to practice a recognized profession that is regulated by law.
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.

	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent		Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent		Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
CALDWELL WILSON	✓				RODRIGUEZ					MCBRIDE	✓			
HARRISON	✓				VAUGHN		✓							
MUSCHAL	✓				WILKINS	✓								

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

JUL 07 2022

Kathy McBride
President of CouncilAdam E. Cruz
City Clerk

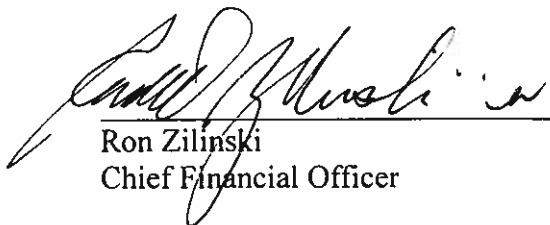
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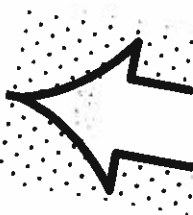
CERTIFICATION OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

I, Ron Zilinski, Chief Financial Officer for the City of Trenton, do hereby certify, to the best of my knowledge and belief that there now exists adequate funds to award a contract to Connie Bentley McGhee, Esq. to provide Prosecutorial Services regarding matters concerning Trenton Municipal Court for a period of one year in an amount not to exceed \$32,500.00. Such funds for said services shall be available in Law Department's CY22 Budget, Account Number 2-01- -35-3500-291 contingent upon adoption of the CY22 temporary or final budget.

Date: _____

6/28/22


Ron Zilinski
Chief Financial Officer



Account Number: 2-02- -35-3500-291 - \$32,500.00