

January 5, 2026

I. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

A Re-Organization Meeting of the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park was held in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building, 34 Chapel Hill Road, Lincoln Park, New Jersey on January 5, 2026. The Borough Clerk Called the Meeting to Order at 7:00 PM and made the Statement of Compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act. The Borough Clerk advised those present where the exits to the room were and to turn off all cell phones. After the Pledge of Allegiance, the Clerk called the Roll showing the following:

II. INVOCATION: DEACON VINCE RICCIARDI – ST. JOSEPH’S CHURCH

Deacon Vince Ricciardi from St. Joseph’s Church was present and presented the Invocation to the Borough of Lincoln Park.

III. ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Council Members:

Patrick Antonetti
Gary Gemian
Joseph Gurkovich
Dan Moeller
Ellen Ross
Andrew Seise
Ann Thompson

ABSENT: None

Also PRESENT were Mayor David A. Runfeldt, Perry Mayers - Borough Administrator, Fabiana Mello - CFO, and Chris DiLorenzo - Borough Attorney.

IV. ELECTION OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT:

Clerk: At this time, I will take nominations for the Council President Position

Thompson: I would like to nominate Joe Gurkovich

Gemian: I’ll second that

Clerk: Are there any other nominations?

Antonetti: Yes. I’d like to nominate myself, Councilman Antonetti, for Council President. I’ve always tried to approach my role with fairness and respect for different viewpoints, and I believe that’s important in this position. As the youngest member of the Council I also bring energy and a long term commitment to serving Lincoln Park. Regardless of the outcome, I wanted to step forward and express my willingness to serve in this capacity.

Seise: I second that

Clerk: Called the roll for Joe Gurkovich for Council President

Yes: Council Members: Gemian, Gurkovich, Moeller, Ross, and Thompson

No: Antonetti and Seise

Absent: None

Abstain: None

Clerk: Called the roll for the Councilman Antonetti for Council President

Yes: Council Members: Antonetti and Seise

No: Moeller

Absent: None

Abstain: Gemian, Gurkovich, Ross, and Thompson

Clerk: Councilman Gurkovich for Council President 2026

V. SWEARING IN: POLICE OFFICER – BLERIM RUSTEMI – LINCOLN PARK POLICE DEPARTMENT

Blerim Rustemi was sworn in as a Police Officer for the Lincoln Park Police Department by the Borough Clerk, Courtney Fitzpatrick.

VI. MAYOR'S REMARKS:

Thank you very much, Mr. President. I'd like to begin by welcoming everyone here tonight for the annual reorganization meeting for the Borough of Lincoln Park. A special thank you to the elected officials from throughout the county and state who have joined us this evening. In particular I see Commissioner Steven Shaw and Lincoln Park's favorite Sherriff Jim Gannon out there. Thank you very much gentlemen. Of course, I'd like to extend a special thank you to all the residents of our great town who have taken the time to come here tonight.

The confidence the residents of the Borough of Lincoln Park have continued to show in me is a privilege I take seriously and an opportunity I am grateful for.

Congratulations to Councilman Gurkovich on your election to the position of Council President. I wish you great success in bringing this council together and I'm happy to offer you my assistance whenever and wherever needed.

Typically I use tonight's platform to go over the accomplishments of the past year. Tonight, however, I think it's more important to talk about the future of our great community and responsibilities of us as elected officials.

I know I state this often, but I'll say it again, I continue to challenge each of you up here, as elected members of this council, and myself, that with every decision made, to do what is in the best interest of this community now and for our future. I would further encourage that every member of this community do the same. As I stated a few years ago, it's important to look past what is good for "each" of us and look towards what is good for "all" of us. Those of us involved in town government should be concerned with providing our residents the **most** amount of service, in the **most** efficient manner, and save the **most** amount of money.

I've also said that "party" politics in small towns like Lincoln Park has no place. Neither does "petty" politics. Blurred truth, "I'm right, your wrong", and the overall divisiveness of national politics, which unfortunately have trickled down to municipal politics and infiltrated our governing body this past year must now stop. We need to get back to remembering that each one of us up here has been elected by the voters of this town, and that for the entirety of our term, we must work together to represent the people that put their trust in us to do the job that we need to do.

I'm confident that these differences we have had in 2025 can be put behind us and make us stronger and better representatives in 2026.

I'd like to take a moment before I finish to recognize some very important people to me and to everyone in town, our Department heads. Business administrator Perry Mayers, CFO Fabiana Mello, Rick Beyer of the DPW, Parks and Recreation Director Janet Cassidy, Robin Keufferian in the Building Department, Health Official Marissa Granovsky, Court Administrator Ashley Fritz, our Borough Clerk Courtney Fitzpatrick, and my Aide Dina Valente-Stoel. Each of our Department heads and their fine staff work tirelessly to ensure the wonderful quality of life we have come to expect in Lincoln Park.

Our police Chief John Ciffelli, Fire Chief Joe Fede, and EMS Chief Beth Anderson, along with the brave men and women of their departments, do everything in their power to serve and protect you, your loved ones, and your property every minute of every day.

Lastly, I would like to acknowledge the retirements this past year of Police Chief Joe Zammit and DPW supervisors Ron Caponigro, John VanSant, and Brian O'Gorman who, combined, have served our town for over a hundred and thirty years if I'm not mistaken. Gentlemen, thank you for your dedicated service to the Borough of Lincoln Park and congratulations and best wishes for your retirement.

Lincoln Park is a community made up of many people. Diverse nationalities, assorted religions, different races, young and old. Those who immigrated to the country and those who were born here. Some have spent their entire lives in Lincoln Park; others are new to our town. Yet with all these differences, we make up one community...one great, wonderful, thriving, safe, and exceptional community! I am proud of the part that I have contributed to this community, I am thankful to our elected officials and town employees for their support of this community, and I am proud of each and every person in this community for being a special part of it. I wish you the best of health, wealth, and happiness in 2026 and beyond. Thank you very much.

Dr. David A. Runfeldt
Mayor, Borough of Lincoln Park

VI. COUNCIL PRESIDENT REMARKS:

Council President Gurkovich: I want to thank the Mayor. As usual, he hits all the points. I want to wish everybody a Happy New Year and I hope everyone enjoyed the holiday season. This is going to be an interesting year with the surrounding national and world events as well as the mid-term elections, which will include the at-large council positions for Lincoln Park as well as the Mayor. There's also going to be a lot on our plates that we will be dealing with this year, and I hope we can maintain a reasonable protocol level and tone during our meetings.

COUNCIL REMARKS:

Councilman Antonetti: I'd like to thank everyone who is here tonight, friends, residents, and distinguished guests. As we move into 2026, I want to start by congratulating our new Council President and wish him success in the year ahead. While we may not always agree, I truly believe this Council is at its best when we approach our work with respect, preparation, and a focus on what's best for Lincoln Park. My commitment this year remains the same as it has been to stay fair, independent, and open minded, and to work together whenever possible. I'm proud to serve this community and look forward to continuing to show up, do the work, and represent residents thoughtfully and responsibly. I hope 2026 is a year when we straighten trust, improve how we work together, and keep Lincoln Park moving forward. I look forward to the year ahead.

Councilman Gemian: Thank you Mr. President. Mr. Mayor, thank you for your comments. I think those should stick around and serve us well in to throughout the year and I would propose it be our new mantra for 2026. Thank you everyone for coming. Happy New Year to everyone in Lincoln Park. I hope you had a great holiday season. I just want to make a few comments with respect to a look ahead to 2026 and that begins with just summarizing some key accomplishments for 2025 which are going to be sustained throughout 2026 and that begins with keeping our taxes low keeping them under the 2% statute by cap that's imposed for tax hikes we've been under that for quite some time now. We are moving forward to a period of debt free for Lincoln Park. I think the year target is 2030 we should be debt free. We continue to offer improved services. We have been very successful and continue to develop the downtown development area. There's new families moving into town, new commerce is being created on Main Street to help our businesses, and as you can see by, I'm sure your weekend travel to downtown, it's harder and harder to find a spot to park and I think that's due to people frequenting our business establishments. It's a very good sign. Something that may not be obvious to the public at large is that we are each periodic, we're in the current fourth round of fair share housing and we have successfully negotiated a settlement for the fourth round to keep Lincoln Park somewhat indemnified for additional new housing requirements. It's been a very successful negotiation, and I think if you stick around for our work session later, you'll see and hear more about that. I also want to echo the Mayor's comments that I think our mantra for 2026 is quote unquote work together for the benefit of Lincoln Park unquote despite any individual Council members positions or feelings toward one another. I think each of us has an obligation to find a way to work with one another despite any disagreements or what we believe to be certain positions of persons on the Council. I think it's imperative that we work to find a way to work together. We have done that in the past; there's no reason why we can't continue to do that as long as we are mindful of that objective. The Council represents Lincoln Park. A vote of confidence in the Council is a vote of confidence in Lincoln Park. A vote of confidence in Lincoln Park is a vote of confidence in the Council. We are here to advise the Mayor and the Administration at every turn, and we have the objective of keeping the community at the forefront of our objective, to make sure our community is the best it can be. So, with that, I would encourage you to continue to come to our meetings, continue to participate, and be vocal as you have over the recent past, and, we want to continue to serve and build a strong town of Lincoln Park. Thank you very much and we look forward to a good year.

Councilman Moeller: I'd like to welcome everybody here tonight. I'm looking forward to working with everybody again this year. Hopefully everything is a little calmer than it was last year. I've been a member of this town, I've been in this town all my life, and we do need volunteers for the fire department. So, if you know anybody or you want to join, please let us know. Thank you.

Councilwoman Ross: I appreciate the mayor's comments on the tone of our meetings and that it needs to be much quieter and lower tone, please, so thank you. Happy New Year everyone and thank you for coming.

Councilman Seise: Thank you. Happy New Year to everybody. As we head into 2026, I think my feeling is I am optimistic that this Council can kind of regain its stride and get it's groove back. It's been a difficult year plus here; it's been a bumpy ride so I'm optimistic. That is not going to happen by flipping a switch, change has to happen to achieve that. Transparency has to happen, integrity has to happen, and honor needs to be restored to this Council. So, internal mechanisms to achieve that change over the last year plus have largely failed but, again, I'm optimistic. I'm optimistic by nature, and so as we look forward to 2026, I am hopeful that that change can occur and that we can get to a better place, but again, it's not

going to without that change and without some effort. Happy New Year. I'm looking forward to 2026 and thank you all for coming.

Councilwoman Thompson: Happy New Year everybody. Everybody said everything that I would reiterate but like we used to say back in the day, peace out. Have a great New Year.

VIII. RESOLUTIONS: CONSENT AGENDA:

Gurkovich: Consent Agenda, Resolutions R26-1 through R26-15

Thompson: So Moved

Antonetti: Second

- R26-1 Authorize Meeting Designations
- R26-2 Authorize Official Newspapers – Daily Record and Suburban Trends
- R26-3 Authorize Newspapers to Receive Notices – Daily Record and Suburban Trends
- R26-4 Authorize Change Funds and Petty Cash Funds
- R26-5 Authorize Delinquent Tax Interest
- R26-6 Authorize Temporary General and Water Utility Budget
- R26-7 Authorize Designate Official Depositories/Cash Management Plan
- R26-8 Authorize Change in Claimant Signature Requirement
- R26-9 Authorize Payments between Meeting Dates
- R26-10 Authorize Resolution for NJ Tax Lien Investors/Real Auction.com to Conduct Electronic Tax Sales for the Borough
- R26-11 Authorize Resolution for the Tax Collector to Conduct Tax Lien Sales for 2026
- R26-12 Authorize Resolution for the Tax Collector to establish a fee of \$25.00 per Notice to Delinquent accounts for 2026 Electronic Tax Sales
- R26-13 Authorize Outside Contractors Rate for the Lincoln Park Police Department
- R26-14 Authorize Forgive Collection/Refund of Taxes \$5.00 or less for 2026
- R26-15 Authorize Extension of Deadline Dates

RESOLUTION R26-1

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park, that the first Monday of each month, shall be designated as **WORK MEETINGS OF THE GOVERNING BODY**, and the third Monday of each month, shall be designated as **REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE GOVERNING BODY**, said meetings are to be held in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building, 34 Chapel Hill Road, Lincoln Park, New Jersey, and to commence at 7:00 pm. Prevailing time for the year 2026;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that should a **WORK MEETING** or **REGULAR MEETING** date fall on a holiday, the **WORK MEETING** or **REGULAR MEETING** will be held on **TUESDAY**;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, there shall be a - **SUMMER MEETING SCHEDULE** – In the months of June, July, and August there will be a **REGULAR MEETING** only; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, there shall be a **PUBLIC HEARING** at all **WORK MEETINGS** as well as at all **REGULAR MEETINGS**.

2026 Lincoln Park Borough Council Meetings

January 5, Re-Org. & Work Meeting	January 20, Regular Meeting – Tuesday
February 2, Work Meeting	February 17, Regular Meeting – Tuesday
March 2, Work Meeting	March 16, Regular Meeting
April 6, Work Meeting	April 20, Regular Meeting
May 4, Work Meeting	May 18, Regular Meeting
Summer Schedule - No Work Meeting	June 15, Regular Meeting
Summer Schedule - No Work Meeting	July 20, Regular Meeting
Summer Schedule - No Work Meeting	August 17, Regular Meeting
September 8, Work Meeting - Tuesday	September 21, Regular Meeting
October 5, Work Meeting	October 19, Regular Meeting
November 2, Work Meeting	November 16, Regular Meeting
December 7, Work Meeting	December 21, Regular Meeting

RESOLUTION R26-2

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park, that the **DAILY RECORD** be designated as the Official Newspaper and designating the **SUBURBAN TRENDS** as the Alternate Official Newspaper of the Borough for the year 2026.

RESOLUTION R26-3

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6, et seq., requires that the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park designate two (2) newspapers to receive notices of its meetings;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park, that the **DAILY RECORD** and the **SUBURBAN TRENDS** be designated as the newspapers to receive notices required by the **OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT** for 2026.

RESOLUTION R26-4

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF LINCOLN PARK, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH ADMINISTRATOR TO REINSTATE AND MAINTAIN VARIOUS PETTY CASH FUNDS (AS LISTED BELOW) TO FACILITATE "CHANGE FUNDS" AND REQUIRED PETTY CASH REIMBURSEMENTS FOR VARIOUS MINOR EXPENDITURES MADE BY BOROUGH EMPLOYEES

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-21 authorizes the establishment of a Petty Cash and Change Funds; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary from time to time to allow the availability of cash funds for immediate unforeseen minor cash expenditures no greater than \$25.00 each as follows:

<u>CHANGE FUND</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Tax Collector	\$350.00
Municipal Court	\$400.00
Health Department/Registrar	\$100.00
Municipal Clerk	\$100.00
Water Department	\$250.00
Recreation Department	\$100.00
Building Department	\$100.00

<u>PETTY CASH FUNDS</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Police Department	\$100.00
Finance Department	\$200.00
Department of Public Works	\$200.00

WHEREAS, the custodian for these Petty Cash Funds are as follows:

Police Department	Chief Joseph Zammit
Finance Department	Fabiana M. Mello, CFO
Department of Public Works	Rick Beyer, Director

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park, County of Morris, and State of New Jersey, that a reimbursable aforementioned impress funds aggregate of \$1,900.00 be re-established for 2026;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough of Lincoln Park hereby authorizes such action and that two (2) copies of this Resolution be filed with the Division of Local Government Services, New Jersey, Department of Community Affairs;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said Petty Cash Funds are to be returned to the Borough's General Fund no later than December 31st each year.

RESOLUTION R26-5

WHEREAS, taxes are payable in quarterly installments on **FEBRUARY 1, MAY 1, AUGUST 1** and **NOVEMBER 1** in each year and installments become delinquent if not paid on or before these dates;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park, that the interest to be charged a delinquent taxpayer for the non-payment of real property taxes or assessments shall be in the sum of **8%** per annum on the first \$1,500.00 of delinquency and **18%** per annum on any payment in excess of \$1,500.00;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Governing Body shall provide a grace period of ten (10) days within which an installment of taxes may be received without additional charge of interest from the due date;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that New Jersey Statute **N.J.S.A. 54:4-67** has been amended to define the new tax delinquency;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park, that the interest to be charged a delinquent taxpayer for non-payment of real property taxes shall be an additional penalty of **6%** of the amount of delinquency in excess of \$10,000.00 at the end of a calendar year;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this delinquency now is to be calculated on the sum of all taxes from year to year and not to be calculated on an individual yearly basis.

RESOLUTION R26-6

WHEREAS, N.J.S. 40A:4-19 provides that where any contract, commitment or payments are to be made prior to the final adoption of the 2026 budget, temporary appropriations should be made for the purpose and amounts required in the manner and time therein provided, and

WHEREAS, the date of this resolution is within the first 30 days of the fiscal year, and

WHEREAS, the total appropriations in the 2025 Current Fund budget, exclusive of any appropriations made for interest and debt redemption charges, capital improvement and public assistance in said budget is the sum of \$22,731,515.77, and

WHEREAS, the total appropriations in the 2025 Water Utility budget, exclusive of any appropriations made for interest and debt redemption charges and capital improvement in said budget is the sum of \$3,498,736.00, and

WHEREAS, 35% of the total appropriations in the 2025 Current Fund budget, exclusive of any appropriations made for interest and debt redemption charges, capital improvement and public assistance in said budget is the sum of \$7,956,030.52, and

WHEREAS, 35% of the total appropriations in the 2025 Water Utility budget, exclusive of any appropriations made for interest and debt redemption charges and capital improvement in said budget is the sum of \$1,224,557.60,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park, County of Morris and State of New Jersey, that the following appropriations be made and a certified copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Chief Finance Officer for the record:

CURRENT FUND – TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS – 2026

Department	Salaries & Wages	Other Expenses	Total
Administrative & Executive	\$ 152,000.00	\$ 15,500.00	\$ 167,500.00
Borough Clerk's Office	56,000.00	25,000.00	81,000.00
Financial Administration	96,000.00	19,500.00	115,500.00
Information Technology	-	325,000.00	325,000.00
Tax Collection	30,000.00	7,000.00	37,000.00
Tax Assessment	-	56,100.00	56,100.00
Legal Services	-	50,750.00	50,750.00
Engineering Services	-	27,475.00	27,475.00
Planning Board	5,000.00	14,500.00	19,500.00
Planning Department	32,000.00	4,200.00	36,200.00
Board of Adjustment	2,275.00	4,620.00	6,895.00
Building Inspection	56,700.00	36,000.00	92,700.00
Code Enforcement	48,000.00	6,600.00	54,600.00

Other Insurance	-	500,000.00	500,000.00
Group Insurance Plan	-	1,512,000.00	1,512,000.00
Health Insurance Waiver	-	24,500.00	24,500.00
Police Department	1,486,000.00	123,450.00	1,609,450.00
Emergency Management	-	13,300.00	13,300.00
Aid to Fire Department	-	61,000.00	61,000.00
First Aid Organization	-	21,070.00	21,070.00
NJ Bureau of Fire Safety	11,500.00	3,150.00	14,650.00
Municipal Prosecutor	-	9,000.00	9,000.00
Streets and Roads	466,000.00	90,000.00	556,000.00
Street Signs	-	4,500.00	4,500.00
Storm Recovery	50,000.00	50,000.00	100,000.00
Stormwater Management	-	25,000.00	25,000.00
Sewer System	-	26,000.00	26,000.00
Garbage and Trash	53,500.00	725,009.57	778,509.57
Public Buildings & Grounds	-	262,053.00	262,053.00
Condominium Reimbursement	-	30,000.00	30,000.00
Board of Health	86,000.00	17,000.00	103,000.00
Senior Citizen Transportation	-	37,500.00	37,500.00
Parks and Playgrounds	134,000.00	51,000.00	185,000.00
Municipal Lake	37,625.00	31,500.00	69,125.00
Maintenance of Library	-	210,000.00	210,000.00
Prior Year Bills	-	1,122.95	1,122.95
Celebration of Public Events	-	10,000.00	10,000.00
Street Lighting	-	28,000.00	28,000.00
Motor Fuel	-	100,000.00	100,000.00
TBSA	-	274,880.00	274,880.00
Social Security	-	250,000.00	250,000.00
Defined Contribution Retirement Plan	-	5,250.00	5,250.00
State Unemployment	-	-	-
Municipal Court	57,000.00	4,900.00	61,900.00
Public Defender	3,000.00	-	3,000.00
	\$ 2,862,600.00	\$ 5,093,430.52	\$ 7,956,030.52

Debt Service	\$ 1,734,600.00		
Salary & Wages	2,862,600.00		
Other Expenses	5,093,430.52		
Grant Total	\$ 9,690,630.52		

WATER UTILITY – TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS – 2026

	Salaries & Wages	Other Expenses	Total
Water Utility	\$ 215,346.80	\$ 989,210.80	\$ 1,204,557.60
Satutory Expenditures	-	20,000.00	20,000.00
Capital Improvements Fund	-	-	-
Total	\$ 215,346.80	\$ 1,009,210.80	\$ 1,224,557.60
Debt Service	\$ 191,128.13		
Salary & Wages	160,000.00		
Other Expenses	1,009,210.80		
Grant Total	\$ 1,360,338.93		

RESOLUTION R26-7

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A: 5-14 mandates that a Governing body of a municipal corporation shall, by resolution passed by a majority vote of the full membership thereof, designate as a depository for its monies a bank or trust company having its place of business in the state and organized under the laws of the United States or this state; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A: 5-15.1 amended by Chapter 148, P.L. 1997 established new requirements for the investment of public funds and adoption of a cash management plan for counties, municipalities and authorities; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of Lincoln Park, County of Morris wish to comply with the above statutes;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Borough Council of the Borough of Lincoln Park, County of Morris adopts the following cash management plan, including the official depositories for the Borough of Lincoln Park, County of Morris for the period January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026.

**CASH MANAGEMENT PLAN OF THE
BOROUGH OF LINCOLN PARK,
COUNTY OF MORRIS**

I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

This Cash Management Plan (the "Plan") is prepared pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A: 5-14 in order to set forth the basis for the deposits ("Deposits") and investment ("Permitted Investments") of certain public funds of the Borough of Lincoln Park, pending the use of such funds for the intended purposes. The Plan is intended to assure that all public funds identified herein are deposited in interest bearing Deposits or otherwise invested in Permitted Investments hereinafter referred to. The intent of the Plan is to provide that the decisions made with regard to the Deposits and the Permitted Investments will be done to insure the safety, the liquidity (regarding its availability for the intended purposes), and the maximum investment return within such limits. The Plan is intended to insure that any Deposit or Permitted Investment matures within the time period that approximates the prospective need for the funds deposited or invested so that there is not a risk to the market value of such Deposits or Permitted Investments.

II. IDENTIFICATION OF FUNDS AND ACCOUNTS TO BE COVERED BY THE PLAN

A. The plan is intended to cover all deposits and/or all investments of the funds of the Borough of Lincoln Park including but not limited to:

- Current Fund
- Payroll Trust Fund
- Agency Account
- Water Utility Revenue Account
- Developers' Escrow
- Trust Funds
- Municipal Court General Account

- Municipal Court Bail Account
- Open Space Accounts
- Green Trust Accounts
- Outside Employment Accounts
- General Capital Account
- Water Capital Account
- Regular Trust Accounts

III. DEFINITIONS

“Arbitrage” refers to the rules and regulations governing the issuance of Bonds or Notes and the reinvestment of the proceeds at a higher yield. These regulations are promulgated by the Internal Revenue Service, regulation 1.103.

“Cash Management Fund” is the New Jersey Cash Management Fund. This Fund is one of a number of funds invested by the New Jersey Division of Investments of the Department of Treasury under the jurisdiction of the State Investment Council. The Fund is authorized to receive and invest local unit funds pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:5-14.

“Certificate of Eligibility” is the certification issued by the New Jersey Department of Banking, Division of Banking that a public depository is eligible to act as a depository for public funds and qualifies as a participant in the New Jersey Governmental Unit Deposit Protection Act, GUDPA.

“Compensating Balance Account” is a bank account at an eligible depository which pays no interest or interest lower than ½ of 1 percent of maximum, in return for specific services, for example check sorting, payroll services, wire transfers and other services.

“Eligible Public Depositories” is a Banking or Savings and Loan Association with a current certificate of eligibility from the State Banking Department. East Amwell Township shall designate said depositories, by resolution of the governing body on January 1st of each year in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:5-14.

“Eligible Securities” are those investment instruments authorized by N.J.S.A.40A: 5-15.1. “Interest Bearing Account” is an account or time deposit in an eligible public depository, earning interest, or any deposit in the State of New Jersey Cash Management Fund.

IV. STANDARD OF CARE

1. The standard of prudence to be used by those delegated to effect investment transactions on behalf of the Borough of Lincoln Park shall be the “prudent person” standard. Investments shall be made with judgment and care, under circumstances the prevailing, which persons of prudence, discretion and intelligence exercise in the management of their own affairs. Investments shall not be for speculation.

2. Employees involved in the investment process shall refrain from personal business activity that could conflict with the proper execution and management of the investment program, or that could impair their eligibility to make impartial decisions. Employees shall disclose any material interest in financial institutions with which business is conducted, and they shall refrain from undertaking personal investment transactions with the same individual with whom business is conducted on behalf of the Township of Belleville.

3. The Chief Financial Officer is responsible for establishing and maintaining internal controls. The controls should ensure that the assets of the Borough of Lincoln Park are protected from loss, theft or misuse.

V. PROCEDURES FOR RECEIPT OF MONIES

1. Department Procedures

A. Department Directors will ensure that a receipt is issued in duplicate for all transactions. A copy of the receipt shall be given to the paying party and the duplicate maintained by the issuing department. The receipts shall be pre-numbered or sequentially numbered if computer generated.

B. All monies collected or received from any source by or on behalf of the Borough, Department, or any Board thereof, shall be forwarded to the Division of Finance - Treasurer within forty-eight (48) hours of receipt of receipt.

C. The Division of Finance will prepare collected revenues for deposit to the designated legal depository.

D. All monies received shall be placed in a secure place until forwarded for deposit within forty-eight (48) hours of receipt.

E. No department, division, or agencies shall engage in the practice of cashing checks with public funds. Cashing of employee pay checks is included in this prohibition.

2. Chief Financial Officer

A. All monies collected or received from any source by or on behalf of the Borough shall be deposited within forty-eight (48) hours of receipt of designated banks.

B. Ensure that all monies deposited are in an interest-bearing account(s).

C. Where compensating balances are used to offset bank expenses, an agreement between the bank(s) and the Township or Borough shall be executed and reviewed annually.

D. The Chief Financial Officer shall make recommendations of legal public depositories to the Borough Council who shall by resolution designate said depositories at the annual reorganization meeting of the Council. The list of authorized depositories may be amended at any time during the year.

E. Maturity of Investments – Investments shall be limited to maturity not to exceed one year on all operating funds unless a longer maturity is permitted within the provision of the State Statute or promulgated regulations.

VI. DESIGNATION OF OFFICIALS AUTHORIZED TO MAKE DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS UNDER THE PLAN

The Chief Financial Officer (the "Designated Official") is hereby authorized and directed to deposit and/or invest the funds referred to in the Plan. Prior to making any such Deposits or any Permitted Investments, such officials of the Borough of Lincoln Park are directed to supply to all depositories or any other parties with whom the Deposits or Permitted Investments are made a written copy of this Plan which shall be acknowledged in writing by such parties and a copy of such acknowledgement kept on file with such officials.

The Chief Financial Officer is further authorized to make interfund transfers between the Borough Funds as may be necessary from time to time. The Chief Financial Officer is authorized to make such transfers and/or any and all payments by wire transfer as necessary.

VII. DESIGNATION OF DEPOSITORIES

The following banks and financial institutions are hereby designated as official depositories for the Deposit of all public funds referred to in the Plan, including any certificates of deposit which are not otherwise invested in Permitted Investments as provided for in this Plan:

**TD BANK
VALLEY NATIONAL BANK
PEAPACK-GLADSTONE BANK**

Bank Money Market Investment Accounts and/or Certificates of Deposit

**TD BANK
VALLEY NATIONAL BANK
PEAPACK-GLADSTONE BANK**

All such depositories shall acknowledge in writing receipt of this Plan by sending a copy of such acknowledgement to the Designated Official(s) referred to in Section III above.

VIII. DESIGNATION OF BROKERAGE FIRMS AND DEALERS WITH WHOM THE DESIGNATED OFFICIALS MAY DEAL

The following brokerage firms and/or dealers and other institutions are hereby designated as firms with whom the Designated Official(s) of the Borough of Lincoln Park referred to in this Plan may deal for purposes of buying and selling securities identified in this Plan as Permitted investments or otherwise providing for Deposits. All such brokerage firms and/or dealers shall acknowledge in writing receipt of this Plan by sending a copy of such acknowledgement to the Designated Official (s) referred to in Section III above.

- None at the moment

IX. AUTHORIZED INVESTMENTS

Except as otherwise specifically provided for herein, the Designated Official is hereby authorized to invest the public funds covered by this Plan, to the extent not otherwise held in Deposits, in the following Permitted Investments:

- (1) Bonds or other obligations of the United States of America or obligations guaranteed by the United States of America;
- (2) Government money market mutual funds;
- (3) Any obligation that a federal agency or a federal instrumentality has issued in accordance with an act of Congress, which security has a maturity date not greater than 397 days from the date of purchase, provided that such obligation bears a fixed rate of interest not dependent on any index or other external factor;
- (4) Bonds or other obligations of the Local Unit or bonds or other obligations of the school districts of which the Local Unit is a part or within which the school district is located;
- (5) Bonds or other obligations, having a maturity date not more than 397 days from the date of purchase, approved by the Division of Investment of the Department of the Treasury for investment by Local Units;
- (6) Local government investment pools;
- (7) Deposits with the State of New Jersey Cash Management Fund established pursuant to section 1 of P.L. 1977, ch. 281 (C.52: 18A-90.4); or
- (8) Agreements for the repurchase of fully collateralized securities if:
 - (a) The underlying securities are permitted investments pursuant to paragraphs (1) and (3) of this subsection a;
 - (b) The custody of collateral is transferred to a third party;
 - (c) The maturity of the agreement is not more than 30 days;
 - (d) The underlying securities are purchased through a public depository as defined in section 1 of P.L. 1970, c.236 (C.17: 19-41); and
 - (e) A master repurchase agreement providing for the custody and security of collateral is executed.

For purposes of the above language, the terms "governmental money market mutual fund" and "local government investment pool" shall have the following definitions:

Government Money Market Mutual Fund

An investment company or investment trust:

- (a) Which is registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission under the "Investment Company Act of 1940," 15 USC sec. 80a-1 et seq., and operated in accordance with 17 CFR sec. 270.2a-7.
- (b) The portfolio of which is limited to U.S. Government securities that meet the definition of any eligible security pursuant to 17 C.F.R. sec 270.2a-7 and repurchase agreements that are collateralized by such U.S. Government securities; and
- (c) Which has:
 - (1) Attained the highest ranking or the highest letter and numerical rating of a nationally recognized statistical rating organization; or

(2) Retained an investment advisor registered or exempt from registration with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to the "Investment Advisors Act of 1940," 15 U.S.C. sec 80b-1 et seq., with experience investing in U.S. Government securities for at least the most recent past 60 months and with assets under management in excess of \$500 million.

Local Government Investment Pool

An investment pool:

- (a) Which is managed in accordance with 17 C.F.R. sec 270.2a-7;
- (b) Which is rated in the highest category by a nationally recognized statistical rating organization;
- (c) Which is limited to U.S. Government securities that meet the definition of an eligible security pursuant to 17 C.F.R. sec. 270.2a-7 and repurchase agreements that are collateralized by such U.S. Government securities;
- (d) Which is in compliance with rules adopted pursuant to the "Administrative Procedure Act," P.L. 1968, c.410 (c.52: 14B-1 et seq.) by the Local Finance Board of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs, which rules shall provide for disclosure and reporting requirements and other provisions deemed necessary by the board to provide for the safety, liquidity and yield of the investment;
- (e) Which does not permit investments in instruments that: are subject to high price volatility with changing market conditions; cannot reasonably be expected at the time of interest rate adjustment, to have a market value that approximates their par value, or net asset value; and
- (f) Which purchases and redeems investments directly from the issuer, government money market mutual fund, or the State of New Jersey Cash Management fund, or through the use of a National or State bank located within this State, or through a broker-dealer which, at the time of purchase or redemption, has been registered continuously for a period of at least two years pursuant to section 9 of P.L. 1967 c.9 (C49: 3-56) and has at least \$25 million in capital stock (or equivalent capitalization if not a corporation), surplus reserves for contingencies and undivided profits, or through a securities dealer who makes primary markets in the U.S. Government securities and reports daily to the Federal Reserve Bank of New York its position in and borrowing on such U.S. Government Securities.

X. FUNDS EXCLUDED FROM INVESTING

The following types of funds are not required to be placed in interest bearing account:

1. Petty cash funds
2. Cash drawn from a Federal Agency under a letter of credit which has to be paid out within 5 working days to a vendor.
3. Deposit, retainage, or amounts posted by way of bond, held by the local unit for such things as faithful performance, if the local unit would be required by law to pay back any interest earned to

the provider of the deposit, except where the local unit is required by law or court decision to invest in funds.

4. Amounts derived from the sale of bonds or notes, only to the extent that a specific written opinion of bond counsel states that the earning of (full) interest would result in the bonds or notes being classified as an arbitrage (not federally tax exempt) issued pursuant to Federal regulations to the extent that sum interest is allowable, it shall be deposited at such a rate if such rate is obtainable.

XI. SAFEKEEPING CUSTODY PAYMENT AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT OF PLAN

To the extent that any Deposit or Permitted Investment involves a document or security which is not physically held by the Borough of Lincoln Park, then such instrument or security shall be covered by a custodial agreement with an independent third party, which shall be a bank or financial institution in the State of New Jersey. Such institution shall provide for the designation of such investments in the name of the Borough of Lincoln Park to assure that there is no unauthorized use of the funds or the Permitted Investments that involve Securities shall be executed by a "delivery versus payment" method to insure that such Permitted Investments are either received by the Borough of Lincoln Park or by a third party custodian prior to or upon the release of the Borough of Lincoln Park's funds.

To assure that all parties with whom the Borough of Lincoln Park deals either by way of Deposits or Permitted Investments are aware of the authority and the limits sets forth in the Plan, all such parties shall be supplied with a copy of this Plan in writing and all such parties shall acknowledge the receipt of that Plan in writing, a copy of which shall be on file with the Designated Official(s).

XII. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

At the public meeting of each month during which this Plan is in effect, the Designated Official(s) referred to in Section III hereof shall supply to the governing body of the Borough of Lincoln Park a written report of any Deposits or Permitted Investments made pursuant to this Plan, which shall include, at a minimum, the following information:

- A. The name of any institution holding funds of the Borough of Lincoln Park as a Deposit or a Permitted Investment.
- B. The amount of securities or Deposits purchased or sold during the immediately preceding month.
- C. The class or type of securities purchased or Deposits made.
- D. The book value of such Deposits or Permitted Investments.
- E. The earned income on such Deposits or permitted Investments. To the extent that such amounts are actually earned at maturity, this report shall provide an accrual of such earnings during the immediately preceding month.
- F. The fees incurred to undertake such Deposits or Permitted Investments.
- G. The market value of all Deposits or Permitted Investments as of the end of the immediately preceding month.
- H. All other information which may be deemed reasonable from time to time by the governing body of the Borough of Lincoln Park.

XIII. CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

1. The Borough investment practices, and the agreement of banking services and compensation thereof shall be reviewed by the Borough Auditor as part of the annual audit, as required by the N.J.S.A. 40A:5-4. Where a conflict exists between this Cash Management Plan and State statute the applicable statute shall govern.

XIV. SURETY BONDS

1. The Chief Financial Officer shall be covered by a surety bond. During the annual audit the municipal Auditor shall examine said bond to determine that proper coverage is in effect.

2. Staff members of the Division of Finance shall be covered by a Public Employee Faithful Performance Bond (Blanket Bond) in the minimum of \$1,000,000.00.

XV. TERM OF THE PLAN

This plan shall be effective January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026. The Plan may be amended from time to time as necessary. To the extent that any amendment is adopted by the Borough Council, the Designated Official is directed to supply copies of the amendments to all of the parties who otherwise have received the copy of the originally approved Plan, which amendment shall be acknowledged in writing in the same manner as the original Plan was so acknowledged.

RESOLUTION R26-8

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGE IN CLAIMANT SIGNATURE REQUIREMENT

WHEREAS, NJSA 40A:5-16 requires that the governing body of any local unit shall not pay out of its monies unless

(a) the person claiming or receiving payment first presents a detailed bill of items or demand, specifying particularly how the bill or demand is made up (the Invoice), with the certification of the party claiming payment that the bill or demand is correct (the Claimant Certification).

(b) the payment carries a written or electronic certification of some officer or duly designated employee of the local unit having knowledge of the facts that the goods have been received by, or the services rendered to, the local unit (certification of the user department).

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 5:30-9A.6(c), N.J.A.C. 5:31-4.1, and Local Finance Notice 2018-13 gives local units discretion to not require claimant certification by enacting a standard policy by resolution for vendors or claimants who do not provide such certification as part of its normal course of business; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has in place internal accounting controls and has determined same to be sufficient to avoid errors and fraud in the processing of claims for payment; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park in the County of Morris State of New Jersey hereby establishes a policy requiring the claimant signature under the following circumstances only:

1. Advances or reimbursement of employee expenses, and
2. Services provided exclusively and entirely by an individual (e.g. sole proprietors), and
3. Refund or reimbursement of taxes, fees, or rents, and
4. The local unit shall have the discretion to require claimant certification as it deems necessary and appropriate.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this policy will be applied in a non-arbitrary fashion and will be affirmatively communicated to vendors.

RESOLUTION R26-9

PAYMENTS BETWEEN MEETING DATES

WHEREAS, it becomes necessary at times to issue checks for certain fixed charges which are due on periodic dates, such as County, Payroll and other miscellaneous items, which dates frequently occur between Council Meetings.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Lincoln be and is hereby authorized to issue and sign checks for payment when such payments become due for ratification at the next following meeting.

RESOLUTION R26-10

WHEREAS, NJSA 54:5-19.1 authorizes electronic tax sales pursuant to rules and regulations to be promulgated by the Director of the Division of Government Services, and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Division of Local Government Services has approved NJ Tax Lien Investors/RealAuction.com to conduct electronic tax sales, and

WHEREAS, an electronic tax sale is innovative and provides a greater pool of potential lien buyers, thus creating the environment for a more complete tax sale process, and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Lincoln Park wishes to participate in an electronic tax sale.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the governing body of the Borough of Lincoln Park, New Jersey, that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to participate in an electronic tax sale and submit same to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services if necessary.

RESOLUTION R26-11

**AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO
CONDUCT A TAX LIEN SALE**

WHEREAS, there remains on the records and books of the Borough of Lincoln Park delinquent taxes, water-sewer utility charges, and other municipal charges owing as of December 31, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Statutes of the State of New Jersey, expressly N.J.S.A. 54:5 et seq., provide for the enforcement and collection of such delinquencies through a tax lien sale; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector is empowered by Statute to conduct and preside over the sale of liens;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park, a Municipal corporation of the State of New Jersey that the Borough of Lincoln Park's Tax Collector is authorized to conduct a tax lien sale for 2025 and previous years delinquent taxes, utility, and other municipal charges on or before December 31, 2026.

RESOLUTION R26-12

**BOROUGH OF LINCOLN PARK
COUNTY OF MORRIS
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

WHEREAS, NJSA 54:5-19.1 authorizes electronic tax sales pursuant to rules and regulations to be promulgated by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services, and

WHEREAS, the rules and regulations require a municipality to send two (2) notices of tax sale to all properties included in said sale; and

WHEREAS, the rules and regulations allow said municipality to charge a fee of \$25.00 per notice for the creation, printing and mailing of said notice; and

WHEREAS, in an effort to more fairly assign greater fiscal responsibility to delinquent taxpayers, the Borough of Lincoln Park wishes to charge \$25.00 per notice mailed which will be assessed specifically to the delinquent accounts that are causing the need for a tax sale and not to the general tax base.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Lincoln Park that a fee of \$25.00 per notice be established and is hereby authorized and directed to be charged for each notice of tax sale that is sent in conjunction with the 2026 electronic tax sale.

RESOLUTION R26-13

BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park, that the **OUTSIDE CONTRACTOR'S RATE** for the **LINCOLN PARK POLICE DEPARTMENT** shall be at the rate of

\$115.00 per hour (\$95.00 plus \$20.00 Administrative Costs), effective January 1, 2026 and terminating December 31, 2026.

RESOLUTION R26-14

BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park, that pursuant to **N.J.S.A. 40A:5-17.1**, the **TAX COLLECTOR** be forgiven the collection or refund of taxes of any amount \$5.00 or less for the year 2026.

RESOLUTION R26-15

WHEREAS, the Local Finance Board has authorized revisions to the statutory budget deadlines as per Local Finance Notice LFN 2025-18 dated December 12, 2025; and

WHEREAS, these revisions permit municipalities to extend the deadlines for the submission of the Municipal Annual Financial Statement, as well as the introduction and adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, to avail itself of these revised dates, the governing body must adopt a resolution by no later than March 31, 2025;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Lincoln Park, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, that the Borough of Lincoln Park hereby avails itself of the revised budget introduction and adoption dates for the calendar year 2026 budget as follows:

Submission of the Municipal Annual Financial Statement (AFS): Extended from February 10 to March 6, 2025.

Budget Introduction Date: Extended from February 10 to March 31, 2026.

Budget Adoption Date: Extended from March 20 to April 30, 2026.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the temporary budget appropriations are hereby extended as may be necessary to accommodate this extension of the budget introduction and adoption dates.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer is directed to submit a certified copy of this resolution to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services using the Financial Automation Submission Tracking (FAST) system, as required by Local Finance Notice LFN 2024-20.

The Clerk called the Roll

Yes: Council Members: Antonetti, Gemian, Moeller, Ross, Seise, Thompson, and Gurkovich

No: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

The Resolutions were Adopted.

Gurkovich: Mayor's Appointments

IX. MAYOR'S APPOINTMENTS:

A. WITHOUT ADVICE AND CONSENT:

- Planning Board Member Class II, John Panicci, 1 year term
- Planning Board Class IV Members, Mark Stanic, Joshua Kaufman, and David Koldyk, 4-year terms

B. WITH ADVICE AND CONSENT:

- Municipal Prosecutor – Brian W. Mason – 1 year appointment
- County of Morris - Municipal Alternate Prosecutors – 1 year appointment
- Borough Attorney – DiLorenzo and Rush – 1 year appointment

- Borough Tax Appeal Counsel – Dorsey & Semrau, LLC – 1 year appointment
- Emergency Management Committee Ledger 2026
- Authorize 2026 Professional Services Contract to Surenian, Edwards, Buzak, & Nolan LLC to perform Legal Services as Special Counsel in Affordable Housing and Other Matters – 1 year appointment
- Borough Engineer – Darmofalski Engineering Associates, Inc. – 1 year appointment
- Contract – Bonding Attorney – Decotiis, Fitzpatrick, Cole & Giblin, LLP
- Contract – Labor Attorney – Douglas F. Doyle, Esq.
- Contract – Redevelopment Counsel – Douglas F. Doyle, Esq.
- Green Team Members – Perry Mayers, Marissa Granovsky, Rick Beyer, Janet Cassidy, John Cifelli and Patrick Antonetti

X. CONFIRMATION OF MAYORS APPOINTMENTS: REGULAR AGENDA

Gurkovich: Confirmation of Mayor's Appointments, Regular Agenda, R26-16 through R26-28

Councilman Seise said there is an item on here that is not consent. He requested to separate R26-20 as a stand-alone item.

Gurkovich: So, we'll do R26-16 through R26-19

Thompson: So Moved

Antonetti: Second

R26-16 Authorize Class II Planning Board Member, John Panicci, 1-year term

R26-17 Authorize Class IV Planning Board Members, Mark Stanic, Joshua Kaufman, and David Koldyk, 4-year terms

R26-18 Authorize 2026 Professional Service Contract to Law Offices of Brian W. Mason, Esq., to Provide Legal Services as Municipal Prosecutor

R26-19 Authorize Appointment of Alternate Municipal Prosecutors

RESOLUTION R26-16

BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park, that **JOHN PANICCI** be appointed as **CLASS II MEMBER OF THE PLANNING BOARD** for a term of one year, said term expiring December 31, 2026, is hereby confirmed.

RESOLUTION R26-17

BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park, **PLANNING BOARD APPOINTMENTS ARE AS FOLLOWS:**

CLASS IV PLANNING BOARD MEMBERS said term expires December 31, 2029, **MARK STANIC, JOSHUA KAUFMAN, and DAVID KOLDYK.**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the position of **ALTERNATE 1** and **ALTERNATE 2** is hereby **VACANT.**

RESOLUTION R26-18

AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT TO LAW OFFICES OF BRIAN W. MASON, ESQ. TO PROVIDE LEGAL SERVICES AS MUNICIPAL PROSECUTOR

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the Professional Services of a **MUNICIPAL PROSECUTOR** for the Borough of Lincoln Park, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, for the 2026 fiscal year, in accordance with the "Local Public Contracts Law" (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) as a Non-Fair and Open contract, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 and/or N.J.S.A. 19:44-20.5; and

WHEREAS, Perry Mayers, Qualified Purchasing Agent for the Borough of Lincoln Park has determined that the value of the service will exceed \$17,500.00; and

WHEREAS, BRIAN W. MASON, ESQ., 178 Linden Avenue, Verona NJ 07044 has submitted a proposal to provide Municipal Prosecutor services for a contract term of one (1) year, expiring December 31, 2026, at the per annum rate of \$25,750; and

WHEREAS, BRIAN W. MASON, ESQ. has more than 30 years of experience in municipal court practice and in municipal court and has successfully provided reliable, professional Municipal Prosecutor services to the Borough of Lincoln Park; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council finds and concludes that it would be in the best interest of the Borough of Lincoln Park to enter into a professional services contract with **BRIAN W. MASON, ESQ.** based upon **BRIAN W. MASON, ESQ.** expertise in municipal court practice, extensive legal experience, and competitive cost proposal; and

WHEREAS, BRIAN W. MASON, ESQ. has completed and submitted a Political Contribution Disclosure Form, Stockholder Disclosure Certification, and Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that **BRIAN W. MASON, ESQ.** has not made any reportable contributions to any candidate committee, joint candidates committee, or political party committee representing the elected officials of the Borough of Lincoln Park in the previous one year period, pursuant to P.L. 2004, Chapter 19 (as amended by P.L. 2005, c.51), N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq., and that the contract will prohibit **BRIAN W. MASON, ESQ.** from making any such reportable contributions through the term of the contract; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Lincoln Park has certified, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:30(a)(1), that sufficient funds will be available for said purpose in the 2026 budget; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requires that the Resolution authorizing the award of contracts for "Professional Services" without competitive bids, and the contract itself, must be available for public inspection;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park authorizes and directs that the Mayor, Borough Administrator, and/or Purchasing Agent enter into a professional services contract with **BRIAN W. MASON, ESQ.** as described herein and at a cost not to exceed \$30,000 for the calendar/fiscal year 2026 without further authorization by the Borough Council;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Service" 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;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the Determination of Value be placed on file with this Resolution;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause notice to be published in the official newspaper of the Borough of Lincoln Park stating the nature, duration, service, and amount of the contract and that the resolution and contract are on file and are available for public inspection in the Office of the Borough Clerk.

RESOLUTION R26-19

BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park, that all **MUNICIPAL PROSECUTORS** in the County of Morris are hereby appointed **ALTERNATES** in the event the Borough's Primary Municipal Prosecutor is unavailable for a case for the year 2026.

The Clerk called the Roll

Yes: Council Members: Antonetti, Gemian, Moeller, Ross, Seise, Thompson, and Gurkovich
No: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

The Resolutions were Adopted.

Gurkovich: We'll now move R26-21 through R26-28

Gemian: So Moved
Thompson: Second

- R26-21 Authorize 2026 Professional Services Contract to Dorsey & Semrau, LLC to Perform Legal Services as Tax Appeal Counsel**
- R26-22 Authorize 2026 Emergency Management Committee Ledger**
- R26-23 Authorize 2026 Professional Services Contract to the Surenian, Edwards, Buzak & Nolan LLC to perform Legal Services as Special Coun Affordable Housing and Other Matters**
- R26-24 Authorize 2026 Professional Services Contract to Darmofalski Engineering Associates, Inc. to Perform Engineering Services Municipal Engineer**
- R26-25 Authorize 2026 Professional Services Contract to DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick, Cole, and Giblin, LLP To Provide Legal Services as Municipal Bonding Attorney**
- R26-26 Authorize 2026 Professional Services Contract to Douglas F. Doyle, Esq. to Provide Legal Services as Municipal Labor Attorney**
- R26-27 Authorize 2026 Professional Services Contract to Douglas F. Doyle, Esq. to Provide Legal Services as Municipal Redevelopment Counsel**
- R26-28 Authorize Establishing a Green Team Advisory Committee**

RESOLUTION R26-21

AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT TO DORSEY & SEMRAU, LLC TO PERFORM LEGAL SERVICES AS TAX APPEAL COUNSEL

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the Professional Services of a **MUNICIPAL TAX APPEAL COUNSEL** for the Borough of Lincoln Park, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, for the 2026 fiscal year, in accordance with the "Local Public Contracts Law" (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) as a Non-Fair and Open contract, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 and/or N.J.S.A. 19:44-20.5; and

WHEREAS, Perry Mayers, Qualified Purchasing Agent for the Borough of Lincoln Park, has determined that the value of the service may exceed \$17,500.00; and

WHEREAS, **Dorsey & Semrau, LLC** located at 714 Main Street, Boonton, New Jersey 07005 has submitted a proposal to provide Legal Services as Tax Appeal Counsel for a contract term of one (1) year, expiring December 31, 2026, at the hourly billing rate of \$140.00 per hour for Attorneys and \$70 per hour for Paralegals; and

WHEREAS, **Dorsey & Semrau, LLC** has more than 70 years of experience in the area of municipal law; and

WHEREAS, **Dorsey & Semrau, LLC** has completed and submitted a Political Contribution Disclosure Form, Stockholder Disclosure Certification, and a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that **Dorsey & Semrau, LLC** has not made any reportable contributions to any candidate committee, joint candidates committee, or political party committee representing the elected officials of the Borough of Lincoln Park in the previous one year period, pursuant to P.L. 2004, Chapter 19 (as amended by P.L. 2005, c.51), N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq., and that the contract will prohibit **Dorsey & Semrau, LLC** from making any such reportable contributions through the term of the contract; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Lincoln Park has certified, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:30(a)(1), that sufficient funds will be available for said purpose in the 2026 budget; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requires that the Resolution authorizing the award of contracts for "Professional Services" without competitive bids, and the contract itself, must be available for public inspection;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park authorizes and directs that the Mayor, Borough Administrator, and/or Purchasing Agent enter into a professional services contract with **Dorsey & Semrau, LLC** as described herein and at a cost not to exceed \$40,000 for the calendar/fiscal year 2026 without further authorization by the Borough Council;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Service" 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;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the Determination of Value be placed on file with this Resolution;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause notice to be published in the official newspaper of the Borough of Lincoln Park stating the nature, duration, service, and amount of the contract and that the resolution and contract are on file and are available for public inspection in the Office of the Borough Clerk.

RESOLUTION R26-22

BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing body of the Borough of Lincoln Park, that pursuant to **PUBLIC LAW #438**, the below list of appointments to the **2026 LOCAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL** is hereby approved.

LOCAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL ROSTER

Jurisdiction: BOROUGH OF LINCOLN PARK

County: MORRIS

NAME	WORKING TITLE	1	2	3
David Runfeldt	Emergency Management Coordinator	X		
Alan Bull	Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator		X	
Christopher Taormina	Outreach and Engagement Coordinator			X
Nick Pappas	Operations Officer			X
Matthew Rittinger	Logistics Officer		X	
Fabiana Monteiro Mello	Finance Officer		X	
John Cifelli	Police Chief		X	
Beth Anderson	LPEMS			X
Janet Cassidy	Shelter Director		X	
Marissa Granovsky	Health Officer		X	
Dina Valente	OEM Secretary/Utilities Liaison		X	
Joe Fede	Fire Chief			X
Andrew Seise	Council Member	X		
Robert Mooney	Board of Education			X
Perry Mayers	Public Information Officer		X	

1. Elected Official
2. Borough Employee
3. Volunteer

RESOLUTION R26-23

AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT TO SURENIAN, EDWARDS, BUZAK & NOLAN, LLC TO PERFORM LEGAL SERVICES AS SPECIAL COUNSEL IN AFFORDABLE HOUSING

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the Professional Services of a **SPECIAL COUNSEL FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING** for the Borough of Lincoln Park, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, for the 2026 fiscal year, in accordance with the "Local Public Contracts Law"

(N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) as a Non-Fair and Open contract, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 and/or N.J.S.A. 19:44-20.5; and

WHEREAS, Perry Mayers, Qualified Purchasing Agent for the Borough of Lincoln Park, has determined that the value of the service may exceed \$17,500.00; and

WHEREAS, SURENIAN, EDWARDS, BUZAK & NOLAN, LLC located at 311 Broadway, Suite A, Point Pleasant Beach, NJ 08742 has submitted a proposal to provide Legal Services as Special Counsel in Affordable Housing and Other Matters for a contract term of one (1) year, expiring December 31, 2026, at the hourly billing rate of \$245.00 per hour for all time spent by an Attorney and \$90.00 per hour for all paralegal work; and

WHEREAS, SURENIAN, EDWARDS, BUZAK & NOLAN, LLC has more than 39 years of experience in the area of municipal law and has successfully provided expert legal services in the area Affordable Housing and other related matters to the Borough of Lincoln Park for more than 16 years; and

WHEREAS, SURENIAN, EDWARDS, BUZAK & NOLAN, LLC has completed and submitted a Political Contribution Disclosure Form, Stockholder Disclosure Certification, and a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that **SURENIAN, EDWARDS, BUZAK & NOLAN, LLC** has not made any reportable contributions to any candidate committee, joint candidates committee, or political party committee representing the elected officials of the Borough of Lincoln Park in the previous one year period, pursuant to P.L. 2004, Chapter 19 (as amended by P.L. 2005, c.51), N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq., and that the contract will prohibit **SURENIAN, EDWARDS, BUZAK & NOLAN, LLC** from making any such reportable contributions through the term of the contract; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Lincoln Park has certified, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:30(a)(1), that sufficient funds will be available for said purpose in the 2026 budget; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requires that the Resolution authorizing the award of contracts for "Professional Services" without competitive bids, and the contract itself, must be available for public inspection;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park authorizes and directs that the Mayor, Borough Administrator, and/or Purchasing Agent enter into a professional services contract with **SURENIAN, EDWARDS, BUZAK & NOLAN, LLC** as described herein and at a cost not to exceed \$25,000 for the calendar/fiscal year 2026 without further authorization by the Borough Council;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Service" 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;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the Determination of Value be placed on file with this Resolution;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause notice to be published in the official newspaper of the Borough of Lincoln Park stating the nature, duration, service, and amount of the contract and that the resolution and contract are on file and are available for public inspection in the Office of the Borough Clerk.

RESOLUTION R26-24

AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT TO DARMOFALSKI ENGINEERING ASSOCIATES, INC. TO PERFORM ENGINEERING SERVICES AS MUNICIPAL ENGINEER

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the Professional Services of a **MUNICIPAL ENGINEER** for the Borough of Lincoln Park, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, for the 2026 fiscal year, in accordance with the "Local Public Contracts Law" (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) as a Non-Fair and Open contract, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 and/or N.J.S.A. 19:44-20.5; and

WHEREAS, Perry Mayers, Qualified Purchasing Agent for the Borough of Lincoln Park has determined that the value of the service may exceed \$17,500.00; and

WHEREAS, DARMOFALSKI ENGINEERING ASSOCIATES, INC., 86 NEWARK-POMPTON TURNPIKE, RIVERDALE, NEW JERSEY 07457 has submitted a proposal to provide Engineering services for a contract term of one (1) year, expiring December 31, 2026, at the hourly billing rates of: Professional Engineer \$155.00 per hour; CAD Design \$100.00 per hour; Engineering Inspector \$100.00 per hour; and

WHEREAS, DARMOFALSKI ENGINEERING ASSOCIATES, INC. has more than 39 years of experience in Municipal Engineering and has successfully and professionally provided Engineering services to the Borough of Lincoln Park for 16 years; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council finds and concludes that it would be in the best interest of the Borough of Lincoln Park to enter into a professional services contract with **DARMOFALSKI ENGINEERING ASSOCIATES, INC.** based upon **DARMOFALSKI ENGINEERING ASSOCIATE'S** expertise in engineering, extensive municipal engineering experience, and competitive cost proposal; and

WHEREAS, DARMOFALSKI ENGINEERING ASSOCIATES, INC. has completed and submitted a Political Contribution Disclosure Form, Stockholder Disclosure Certification, and a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that **DARMOFALSKI ENGINEERING ASSOCIATES, INC.** has not made any reportable contributions to any candidate committee, joint candidates committee, or political party committee representing the elected officials of the Borough of Lincoln Park in the previous one year period, pursuant to P.L. 2004, Chapter 19 (as amended by P.L. 2005, c.51), N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq., and that the contract will prohibit **DARMOFALSKI ENGINEERING ASSOCIATES, INC** from making any such reportable contributions through the term of the contract; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Lincoln Park has certified, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:30(a)(1), that sufficient funds will be available for said purpose in the 2026 budget; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requires that the Resolution authorizing the award of contracts for "Professional Services" without competitive bids, and the contract itself, must be available for public inspection;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park authorizes and directs that the Mayor, Borough Administrator, and/or Purchasing Agent enter into a professional services contract with **DARMOFALSKI ENGINEERING ASSOCIATES, INC.** as described herein and at a cost not to exceed \$300,000 for the calendar/fiscal year 2026 without further authorization by the Borough Council;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Service" 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;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the Determination of Value be placed on file with this Resolution;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause notice to be published in the official newspaper of the Borough of Lincoln Park stating the nature, duration, service, and amount of the contract and that the resolution and contract are on file and are available for public inspection in the Office of the Borough Clerk.

RESOLUTION R26-25

AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT TO DeCOTIIS, FITZPATRICK, COLE & GIBLIN, LLP TO PROVIDE LEGAL SERVICES AS MUNICIPAL BONDING ATTORNEY

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the Professional Services of a **MUNICIPAL BONDING ATTORNEY** for the Borough of Lincoln Park, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, for the 2026 fiscal year, in accordance with the "Local Public Contracts Law" (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) as a Non-Fair and Open contract, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 and/or N.J.S.A. 19:44-20.5; and

WHEREAS, Perry Mayers, Qualified Purchasing Agent for the Borough of Lincoln Park has determined that the value of the service may exceed \$17,500.00; and

WHEREAS, DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick, Cole & Giblin, LLP, 61 South Paramus Road, Paramus, NJ 07652, has submitted a proposal to provide Legal services for a contract term of one (1) year, expiring December 31, 2026, at the hourly billing rates of: \$200.00 per hour for the Attorneys, and \$125 per hour for paralegals/legal assistants; and

WHEREAS, each Bond Sale will be billed at a rate of \$3,500 plus \$1.00 per thousand of bonds issued for the first \$15,000,000 and then \$0.75 per thousand dollars of bonds issued in excess of \$15,000,000, and if there is more than one (1) series of bonds issued, there will be a charge of \$1,000 for each additional series; and

WHEREAS, services rendered in connection with the preparation or review of ordinances and the compiling of a certified record of proceedings in connection therewith, will be billed at a fee of \$500.00 for each single purpose ordinance and \$675.00 for each multipurpose ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the fee for any temporary financing, including, but not limited to bond anticipation notes, tax anticipation notes, special emergency notes and emergency notes, shall be billed at the hourly rates reflected above, with a minimum fee of: \$.50 per thousand dollars of notes issued up to \$15,000,000 and \$.40 per thousand dollars of notes issued in excess of \$15,000,000, plus, if more than one (1) series of notes are issued, \$500 for each additional series; and

WHEREAS, the event of a refunding bond issue providing for an escrow agreement to provide for the payment of a prior issue of bonds, there will be an additional fee of \$5,000.00 for a single refunded bond issue and \$2,500 for each additional refunded issue in addition to the fees described herein; and

WHEREAS, DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick, Cole & Giblin, LLP was established in 1986 and has more than 25 years of experience in municipal finance advisement and has provided Bonding Attorney services to the Borough of Lincoln Park for more than 8 years; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council finds and concludes that it would be in the best interest of the Borough of Lincoln Park to enter into a professional services contract with DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick, Cole & Giblin, LLP based upon the vast municipal finance experience of DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick, Cole & Giblin, LLP, as well as their expertise in general municipal matters and competitive cost proposal; and

WHEREAS, DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick, Cole & Giblin, LLP has completed and submitted a Political Contribution Disclosure Form, Stockholder Disclosure Certification, and a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick, Cole & Giblin, LLP has not made any reportable contributions to any candidate committee, joint candidates committee, or political party committee representing the elected officials of the Borough of Lincoln Park in the previous one year period, pursuant to P.L. 2004, Chapter 19 (as amended by P.L. 2005, c.51), N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq., and that the contract will prohibit DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick, Cole & Giblin, LLP from making any such reportable contributions through the term of the contract; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Lincoln Park has certified, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:30(a)(1), that sufficient funds will be available for said purpose in the 2026 budget; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requires that the Resolution authorizing the award of contracts for "Professional Services" without competitive bids, and the contract itself, must be available for public inspection;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park authorizes and directs that the Mayor, Borough Administrator, and/or Purchasing Agent enter into a professional services contract with DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick, Cole & Giblin, LLP as described herein and at a cost not to exceed \$15,000 for the calendar/fiscal year 2026 without further authorization by the Borough Council;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Service" 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;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the Determination of Value be placed on file with this Resolution;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause notice to be published in the official newspaper of the Borough of Lincoln Park stating the nature, duration, service, and amount of the contract and that the resolution and contract are on file and are available for public inspection in the Office of the Borough Clerk.

RESOLUTION R26-26

**AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A PROFESSIONAL
SERVICES CONTRACT TO DOUGLAS F. DOYLE, ESQ. TO
PROVIDE LEGAL SERVICES AS MUNICIPAL LABOR ATTORNEY**

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the Professional Services of a **MUNICIPAL LABOR ATTORNEY** for the Borough of Lincoln Park, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, for the 2026 fiscal year, in accordance with the "Local Public Contracts Law" (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) as a Non-Fair and Open contract, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 and/or N.J.S.A. 19:44-20.5; and

WHEREAS, Perry Mayers, Qualified Purchasing Agent for the Borough of Lincoln Park, has determined that the value of the service may exceed \$17,500.00; and

WHEREAS, **Douglas F. Doyle, Esq.**, has submitted a proposal to provide Legal services for a contract term of one (1) year, expiring December 31, 2026, at the hourly billing rates of: \$200.00 per hour for the Attorneys; \$125.00 per hour for Law Clerks, and \$75 per hour for paralegals/legal assistants; and

WHEREAS, **Douglas F. Doyle, Esq.** has more than 30 years of extensive experience in the area of governmental contract negotiations and litigation and has successfully provided expert labor-related legal services to the Borough of Lincoln Park for six years; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council finds and concludes that it would be in the best interest of the Borough of Lincoln Park to enter into a professional services contract with **Douglas F. Doyle, Esq.** based upon the extensive experience of **Douglas F. Doyle, Esq.** as well as his expertise in contract negotiations and labor relations, and competitive cost proposal; and

WHEREAS, **Douglas F. Doyle, Esq.** has completed and submitted a Political Contribution Disclosure Form, Stockholder Disclosure Certification, and a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that **Douglas F. Doyle, Esq.** has not made any reportable contributions to any candidate committee, joint candidates committee, or political party committee representing the elected officials of the Borough of Lincoln Park in the previous one year period, pursuant to P.L. 2004, Chapter 19 (as amended by P.L. 2005, c.51), N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq., and that the contract will prohibit **Douglas F. Doyle, Esq.** from making any such reportable contributions through the term of the contract; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Lincoln Park has certified, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:30(a)(1), that sufficient funds will be available for said purpose in the 2026 budget; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requires that the Resolution authorizing the award of contracts for "Professional Services" without competitive bids, and the contract itself, must be available for public inspection;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park authorizes and directs that the Mayor, Borough Administrator, and/or Purchasing Agent enter into a professional services contract with **Douglas F. Doyle, Esq.** as described herein and at a cost not to exceed \$35,000 for the calendar/fiscal year 2026 without further authorization by the Borough Council;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Service" 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;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the Determination of Value be placed on file with this Resolution;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause notice to be published in the official newspaper of the Borough of Lincoln Park stating the nature, duration, service, and amount of the contract and that the resolution and contract are on file and are available for public inspection in the Office of the Borough Clerk.

RESOLUTION R26-27

AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT TO DOUGLAS F. DOYLE, ESQ. TO PROVIDE LEGAL SERVICES AS MUNICIPAL REDEVELOPMENT COUNSEL

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the Professional Services of a **MUNICIPAL REDEVELOPMENT COUNSEL** for the Borough of Lincoln Park, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, for the 2026 fiscal year, in accordance with the "Local Public Contracts Law" (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) as a Non-Fair and Open contract, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 and/or N.J.S.A. 19:44-20.5; and

WHEREAS, Perry Mayers, Qualified Purchasing Agent for the Borough of Lincoln Park, has determined that the value of the service may exceed \$17,500.00; and

WHEREAS, **Douglas F. Doyle, Esq.** has submitted a proposal to provide Legal services for a contract term of one (1) year, expiring December 31, 2026, at the hourly billing rates of: \$200.00 per hour for the Attorneys, \$125.00 per hour for Law Clerks, and \$95 per hour for paralegals/legal assistants; and

WHEREAS, **Douglas F. Doyle, Esq.** has more than 30 years of extensive experience in the area of municipal government Redevelopment and Land Use and has successfully provided expert Redevelopment related legal services to the Borough of Lincoln Park for over 8 years; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council finds and concludes that it would be in the best interest of the Borough of Lincoln Park to enter into a professional services contract with **Douglas F. Doyle, Esq.** based upon the extensive experience of **Douglas F. Doyle, Esq.** as well as their expertise in municipal government Redevelopment, and competitive cost proposal; and

WHEREAS, **Douglas F. Doyle, Esq.** has completed and submitted a Political Contribution Disclosure Form, Stockholder Disclosure Certification, and a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that **Douglas F. Doyle, Esq.** has not made any reportable contributions to any candidate committee, joint candidates committee, or political party committee representing the elected officials of the Borough of Lincoln Park in the previous one year period, pursuant to P.L. 2004, Chapter 19 (as amended by P.L. 2005, c.51), N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq., and that the contract will prohibit **Douglas F. Doyle, Esq.** from making any such reportable contributions through the term of the contract; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Lincoln Park has certified, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:30(a)(1), that sufficient funds will be available for said purpose in the 2026 budget; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requires that the Resolution authorizing the award of contracts for "Professional Services" without competitive bids, and the contract itself, must be available for public inspection;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park authorizes and directs that the Mayor, Borough Administrator, and/or Purchasing Agent enter into a professional services contract with **Douglas F. Doyle, Esq.** as described herein and at a cost not to exceed \$15,000 for the calendar/fiscal year 2026 without further authorization by the Borough Council;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Service" 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;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the Determination of Value be placed on file with this Resolution;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause notice to be published in the official newspaper of the Borough of Lincoln Park stating the nature, duration, service, and amount of the contract and that the resolution and contract are on file and are available for public inspection in the Office of the Borough Clerk.

RESOLUTION R26-28
ESTABLISHING A GREEN TEAM
ADVISORY COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park strives to save tax dollars, assure clean air and water, improve working and living environments to build a community that is sustainable economically, environmentally and socially; a community which would thrive well into the new century; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park wishes to build a model of government which benefits our residents now and far into the future with green community initiatives which are easy to replicate and affordable to implement; and

WHEREAS, in an attempt to focus attention on "Green" issues, the Governing Body wishes to establish a Green Team Advisory Committee (GTA); and

WHEREAS, solar power, changes to fleet purchasing and maintenance, water quality improvements, and operational changes will all be considered as the Borough's move to do their share to lessen the environmental impact of its operations;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park that we do hereby establish a Green Team Advisory Committee consisting of at least three members who shall be residents or employees of the Borough of Lincoln Park, appointed annually and who's term of appointment shall be through December 31, 2026;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park that the Mission, Goals and Objectives for the GTA through December 31, 2026 are established as follows:

Mission:

The Borough of Lincoln Park's Green Team Advisory Committee will advise the Governing Body on ways to improve municipal operations with "Green" initiatives which are economically and environmentally sound through research and evaluation.

Goals:

Submit a report and recommendations to the Borough Council by October 1, 2026 to include:

1. Complete Safe Routes to Schools Sidewalk project at LP Elementary School
2. Begin the conversion of the Municipal fleet to Electric Vehicles.
3. Improve storm resiliency in LP by increasing land available for storm water retention.

Objectives:

1. Continue to increase purchases of supplies made with recycled content.
2. Research and analyze green initiatives which make practical environmental and financial sense.
3. Appoint strong team members representing municipal staff, elected officials, citizen leaders and, community organizations/businesses.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park that the following persons are hereby appointed to the GTA for the year 2026:

Perry Mayers – Borough Administrator
Marissa Granovsky – Public Health Officer
Rick Beyer –DPW Superintendent
Janet Cassidy – Recreation Director
Chief John Cifelli – LPPD
Patrick Antonetti – Lincoln Park Council Member

The Clerk called the Roll

Yes: Council Members: Antonetti, Gemian, Moeller, Ross, Seise, Thompson, and Gurkovich
No: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

The Resolutions were Adopted.

Gurkovich: Now we'll go back to R26-20

Thompson: I'll move it

Gemian: Second

R26-20 Authorize 2026 Professional Services Contract to DiLorenzo and Rush to Provide Legal Services as Municipal Attorneys

RESOLUTION R26-20

AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT TO DiLORENZO AND RUSH TO PROVIDE LEGAL SERVICES AS MUNICIPAL ATTORNEYS

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the Professional Services of a **MUNICIPAL ATTORNEY** for the Borough of Lincoln Park, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, for the 2026 fiscal year, in accordance with the "Local Public Contracts Law" (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) as a Non-Fair and Open contract, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 and/or N.J.S.A. 19:44-20.5; and

WHEREAS, Perry Mayers, Qualified Purchasing Agent for the Borough of Lincoln Park has determined that the value of the service may exceed \$17,500.00; and

WHEREAS, DiLORENZO AND RUSH, One University Plaza, Suite 210, Hackensack, NJ 07601 has submitted a proposal to provide Legal services for a contract term of one (1) year, expiring December 31, 2026, at the hourly billing rates of: \$185.00 per hour for the Attorneys; \$95 per hour for paralegals/legal assistants; flat fee of \$450 per Council Meeting; and

WHEREAS, DiLORENZO AND RUSH, has more than 21 years of experience in Municipal Legal advisement and has successfully provided reliable, professional legal services to the Borough of Lincoln Park for 10 years; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council finds and concludes that it would be in the best interest of the Borough of Lincoln Park to enter into a professional services contract with **DiLORENZO AND RUSH**, based upon **DiLORENZO AND RUSH**, expertise in municipal legal services, extensive legal experience, and competitive cost proposal; and

WHEREAS, DiLORENZO AND RUSH, has completed and submitted a Political Contribution Disclosure Form, Stockholder Disclosure Certification, and Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that **DiLORENZO AND RUSH**, has not made any reportable contributions to any candidate committee, joint candidates committee, or political party committee representing the elected officials of the Borough of Lincoln Park in the previous one year period, pursuant to P.L. 2004, Chapter 19 (as amended by P.L. 2005, c.51), N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq., and that the contract will prohibit **DiLORENZO AND RUSH**, from making any such reportable contributions through the term of the contract; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Lincoln Park has certified, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:30(a)(1), that sufficient funds will be available for said purpose in the 2026 budget; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requires that the Resolution authorizing the award of contracts for "Professional Services" without competitive bids, and the contract itself, must be available for public inspection;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park authorizes and directs that the Mayor, Borough Administrator, and/or Purchasing Agent enter into a professional services contract with **DiLORENZO AND RUSH**, as described herein and at a cost not to exceed \$85,000 for the calendar/fiscal year 2026 without further authorization by the Borough Council;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Service" 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;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the Determination of Value be placed on file with this Resolution;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause notice to be published in the official newspaper of the Borough of Lincoln Park stating the nature, duration, service, and amount of the contract and that the resolution and contract are on file and are available for public inspection in the Office of the Borough Clerk.

The Clerk called the Roll

Yes: Council Members: Antonetti, Gemian, Moeller, Ross, Thompson, and Gurkovich
No: Seise
Absent: None
Abstain: None

The Resolution was Adopted.

XI. COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS: CONSENT AGENDA:

Gurkovich: Council appointments for the Consent Agenda, R26-29 through R26-69

Seise: So Moved
Antonetti: Second

- R26-29 Authorize 2026 Contract with Unified Data Corporation for Support and Maintenance of Water & Sewer System Web Based Monitoring and Data Storage System**
- R26-30 Authorize Waiver of Borough Raffle License Fees**
- R26-31 Authorize Perry Mayers as the Mayor's Appointee, Rick Beyer as Alternate, and Ellen Ross as the Council's Representative to the Morris County Community Development Program**
- R26-32 Authorize Appointment of Planning Board Class III Member – Joseph Gurkovich**
- R26-33 Authorize Appointment of Council Liaison – Health Department and Department of Public Works - Daniel Moeller**
- R26-34 Authorize Appointment of Council Liaison – Emergency Medical Services – Andrew Seise**
- R26-35 Authorize Appointment of Council Liaison – Recreation – Patrick Antonetti**
- R26-36 Authorize Appointment of Council Liaison – Fire Department and Police Department - Ann Thompson**
- R26-37 Authorize Appointment of Council Liaison – Library Board – Joseph Gurkovich**
- R26-38 Authorize Appointment of Council Liaison – Economic Downtown Development Committee – Gary Gemian**
- R26-39 Authorize Council Representative to the Morris County Joint Insurance Fund (JIF) – Ellen Ross**
- R26-40 Authorize Appointment of Perry Mayers as Primary Representative to the Morris County JIF and Dina Valente-Stoel as Alternate Representative**
- R26-41 Authorize Appointments of Police Matrons and Crossing Guards**
- R26-42 Authorize Appointment of Public Agency Compliance Officer – Perry Mayers**
- R26-43 Authorize Borough's Representative to the North Jersey Municipal Employee Health Insurance Fund –Dina Valente-Stoel and Perry Mayers**
- R26-44 Authorize Borough Engineer Sign CP#1 Forms for Year 2026**
- R26-45 Authorize Borough's Public Defender – David Amadio, Esq.**
- R26-46 Authorize Appointment of Alternate Municipal Public Defenders**
- R26-47 Authorize Tax Collector Charge Fee for Mailing of Notice of Tax Lien and Replacement of Lost Tax Lien Certificate**
- R26-48 Authorize Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act**
- R26-49 Authorize Appointment of Qualified Purchasing Agent for 2026 – Perry Mayers**
- R26-50 Authorize Assessor to Prosecute, Defend and Settle Tax Appeals**
- R26-51 Authorize Members of the County Alliance Steering Subcommittee**
- R26-52 Authorize Contract with the County of Morris and the Morris County Sheriff's Department for the Services of Sheriff's Officers to Provide Site Security as " Extra Duty" Jobs**

- R26-53 Authorize the Borough of Lincoln Park to renew its membership in Local Purchasing Cooperatives
- Somerset County Cooperative Pricing System
 - Educational Services Commission of New Jersey Cooperative
 - Cooperative Pricing Council of the County of Morris
 - Cranford Police Cooperative Pricing System
 - Bergen County Cooperative Pricing System
- R26-54 Authorize the Borough of Lincoln Park to Renew its Membership in National Purchasing Cooperatives
- Sourcewell Cooperative Pricing System
 - Omnia Partners Public Sector Cooperative Purchasing Program
 - Houston-Galveston Area Council of Governments Cooperative Purchasing Program
- R26-55 Authorize the Borough of Lincoln Park to Renew its Membership in Approved State Contract Vendors for Contracting Units Pursuant to N.J.S.A 40A:11-12a
- State of New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Program
- R26-56 Authorize 2026 Professional Services Contract to Quikteks, LLC for Information Technology Consulting and Management Services
- R26-57 Authorize 2026 Professional Services Contract to Wielkocz & Company to Provide Municipal Auditor Services
- R26-58 Authorize 2026 Professional Services Contract to Phoenix Advisors, LLC to Provide Independent Registered Municipal Advisor of Record and a Continuing Disclosure Agent Services
- R26-59 Authorize 2026 Professional Services Contract to Anderson & Denzler Associates, Inc. to Provide Water Supply and Wastewater Operator Services
- R26-60 Authorize 2026 Professional Services Contract with BBG Real Estate Services to Provide Municipal Appraiser Services
- R26-61 Authorize 2026 Professional Services Contract to Community, Grants, Planning & Housing ("CGP&H") for Housing Rehabilitation Services
- R26-62 Authorize 2026 Professional Services Contract to Ricci Planning, LLC to Perform Professional Planning Services as Municipal Planner
- R26-63 Authorize 2026 Professional Services Contract to NW Financial Group, LLC to Provide Financial Consulting Services
- R26-64 Authorize 2026 Professional Services Contract to DMC Associates, Inc. Land Surveyor to Provide Professional Municipal Surveying Services
- R26-65 Authorize 2026 Professional Services Contract to Landmark I Appraisal, LLC to Perform Flood Buyout Services
- R26-66 Authorize 2026 Expenditures with Tri-Tech Energy, Inc.
- R26-67 Authorize Tax Collector to Transfer Credit Balances from 4th Quarter of Current Year to the 1st Quarter of the Subsequent Year
- R26-68 Authorize Contract with Atlas Risk Mitigation for Flood Resilience & Emergency Preparedness Planning Services
- R26-69 Authorize Award of a Contract to Piazza Associates, Inc. for Administrative Agent Services

RESOLUTION R26-29

AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH UNIFIED DATA CORPORATION FOR SUPPORT AND MAINTENANCE OF WATER & SEWER SYSTEM WEB BASED MONITORING AND DATA STORAGE SYSTEM

WHEREAS, the Borough has a need for web-based monitoring and data storage services for its Water and Sewer System; and

WHEREAS, the Borough's Purchasing Agent has determined that the value of the contract will exceed \$17,500; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has received a proposal from **Unified Data Corporation** of Boonton, NJ to provide the aforementioned services, including support, development, and maintenance of the software and hardware; and

WHEREAS, the Web based monitoring and data storage software utilized by the Water Department is a proprietary system developed by Unified Data Corporation and the maintenance, support and development services can only be provided by the developer; and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of the Department of Public Works and the Borough Administrator have recommended that Unified Data Corporation be awarded a contract to provide the aforementioned services at the rate of \$38,981.76 per year for Web Based Monitoring, Support Service, and Training and \$12,521.76 per year for necessary Internet & Cellular services for a total of \$51,503.52; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(dd)) permits contracts for the provision or performance of goods or services for the support or maintenance of proprietary computer hardware and software to be negotiated and awarded by the governing body without public advertising for bids; and

WHEREAS, **Unified Data Corporation** has completed and submitted a Political Contribution Disclosure Form, Stockholder Disclosure Certification, and a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that **Unified Data Corporation** has not made any reportable contributions to any candidate committee, joint candidates committee, or political party committee representing the elected officials of the Borough of Lincoln Park in the previous one year period, pursuant to P.L. 2004, Chapter 19 (as amended by P.L. 2005, c.51), N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq., and that the contract will prohibit **Unified Data Corporation** from making any such reportable contributions through the term of the contract; and

WHEREAS, the cost for said services shall not exceed \$60,000.00 without further authorization by the Borough Council for the calendar/fiscal year 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Lincoln Park has certified, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:30(a)(1), that sufficient funds will be available for said purpose in the 2026 budget; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Lincoln Park, in the County of Morris, New Jersey that **Unified Data Corporation** is hereby awarded a contract for web based monitoring and data storage services for the Borough's Water and Sewer System, including support, development, and maintenance of software and hardware in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00, without further authorization by the Borough Council.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Business Entity Disclosure Certification and Determination of Value are to be placed on file with this Resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a notice of this action shall be published once in the Daily Record; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this expenditure shall be charged to Account Nos. 8-05-55-502-213 and 8-01-26-300-201, or any other account that may be deemed appropriate by the Chief Financial Officer or her designee, and the availability of funds have been certified by the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Administrator and the Borough Clerk are hereby authorized to enter into an agreement for the aforementioned services a copy of which shall be available for public inspection in the Office of the Borough Clerk.

RESOLUTION R26-30

WHEREAS, Chapter 37-7 (G) of the Borough Code regulates fees for raffle licenses, and;

WHEREAS, the Borough Council seeks to grant a waiver of said municipal fees for nonprofit, charitable, or religious organizations designated as a nonprofit under New Jersey law that perform nonprofit services within the Borough or perform nonprofit services directly benefiting the Borough.

THEREFORE, BE IS RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park, that raffle license fees for nonprofit, charitable, or religious organizations designated as a nonprofit under New Jersey law that perform nonprofit services within the Borough or perform nonprofit services directly benefiting the Borough are hereby waived for FY2026.

RESOLUTION R26-31

WHEREAS, Mayor David Runfeldt, has appointed **PERRY MAYERS** as the **MAYOR'S APPOINTEE** and **RICK BEYER** as **ALTERNATE** to the **MORRIS COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM** for the calendar year 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Co-operative Agreement By-Laws between the Borough of Lincoln Park and Morris County, provides for an additional appointment to be made by the Council;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park, that **COUNCILWOMAN ELLEN ROSS** is hereby appointed as the Council's Representative to the **MORRIS COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM** for the calendar year 2026.

RESOLUTION R26-32

BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park, that **JOSEPH GURKOVICH** be appointed as **CLASS III MEMBER OF THE PLANNING BOARD** for a one-year term, said term expiring December 31, 2026, is hereby confirmed.

RESOLUTION R26-33

BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park that **COUNCILMAN DANIEL MOELLER** be appointed Council Liaison to the **HEALTH DEPARTMENT** and the **DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS** for a term of one (1) year.

RESOLUTION R26-34

BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park that **COUNCILMAN ANDREW SEISE** be appointed Council Liaison to the **EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES** for a term of one (1) year.

RESOLUTION R26-35

BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park that **COUNCILMAN PATRICK ANTONETTI** be appointed Council Liaison to the **RECREATION DEPARTMENT** for a term of one (1) year.

RESOLUTION R26-36

BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park that **COUNCIL WOMAN ANN THOMPSON** be appointed Council Liaison to the **FIRE DEPARTMENT** and **POLICE DEPARTMENT** for a term of one (1) year.

RESOLUTION R26-37

BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park that **COUNCILMAN GURKOVICH** be appointed Council Liaison to the **LIBRARY BOARD** for a term of one (1) year.

RESOLUTION R26-38

BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park that Gary Gemian be appointed as Council Liaison to the **ECONOMIC DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE** for the term of one (1) year.

RESOLUTION R26-39

BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park, that **ELLEN ROSS** be appointed as the Borough's **COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE** to the **MORRIS COUNTY JOINT INSURANCE FUND**;

RESOLUTION R26-40

BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park, that **PERRY MAYERS** be appointed as the Borough's **PRIMARY REPRESENTATIVE** to the **MORRIS COUNTY JOINT INSURANCE FUND**;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that **DINA VALENTE-STOEL** be appointed as the Borough's **ALTERNATE REPRESENTATIVE** to the **MORRIS COUNTY JOINT INSURANCE FUND**.

RESOLUTION R26-41

BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park that the following persons be appointed **POLICE MATRONS** and **CROSSING GUARDS** for the year 2026 effective immediately:

POLICE MATRONS

Nancy Heykoop Courtney Fitzpatrick Nicole Bosland

CROSSING GUARDS

Michelle Herbek
Richard Parcels

RESOLUTION R26-42

BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park, that **PERRY MAYERS** be appointed **PUBLIC AGENCY COMPLIANCE OFFICER**, for a period of one (1) year, said term expiring December 31, 2026 is hereby confirmed.

RESOLUTION R26-43

BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park, that **DINA VALENTI-STOEL** be appointed as the Borough's **PRIMARY REPRESENTATIVE** to the **NORTH JERSEY MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE FUND (HIF)**;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that **PERRY MAYERS** be appointed as the Borough's **ALTERNATE REPRESENTATIVE** to the **NORTH JERSEY MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE FUND**.

RESOLUTION R26-44

WHEREAS, from time to time there are development proposals approved by the Borough of Lincoln Park Planning Board and Zoning Board of Adjustment which include the construction of sanitary sewer extensions; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the requirements of the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection application forms (**WQM-003 {CP #1}**), must be submitted for such sanitary sewer extension approvals; and

WHEREAS, such application forms (**WQM-003 {CP #1}**), must be endorsed by Municipal Officials;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park that the Borough of Lincoln Park does and hereby approves the submission of these application forms (**WQM-003 {CP #1}**) for those projects approved by the Borough of Lincoln Park Planning Board and Zoning Board of Adjustment

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Engineer of the Borough of Lincoln Park be and is hereby authorized to sign and submit said necessary forms (**WQM-003 {CP #1}**) to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection.

RESOLUTION R26-45

BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park that the Council Appointment of **DAVID AMADIO** as the Municipal Public Defender for the year 2026, is hereby confirmed.

RESOLUTION R26-46

BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park, that the Council

Appointment of **BLAGOJA PETRESKI** as the **ALTERNATE MUNICIPAL PUBLIC DEFENDER** for the year 2026, is hereby confirmed.

RESOLUTION R26-47

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 54:5-26 has been amended, permitting the Tax Collector to give notice of **TAX LIEN** to property owners, by regular or certified mail, with the maximum fee to be charged therefore in the sum of **\$25.00** per mailing/per owner; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 54:5-21.1 has also been amended, permitting the Tax Collector to charge a fee of **\$100.00** for the replacement of lost **TAX SALE CERTIFICATES**;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park, that the following charges are hereby authorized and effective and may be charged and collected by the Tax Collector for and during 2026:

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| 1. | Notice of Tax Lien (regular or Certified Mail) | \$25.00 per Mailing/ per owner |
| 2. | Replacement of lost Tax Title Lien Certificate(s) Certificate | \$100.00 per |

RESOLUTION R26-48

WHEREAS, MANDATORY SOURCE SEPARATION AND RECYCLING ACT, P.L. 1987, C.102, has established a Recycling Fund from which a tonnage grant may be made to municipalities in order to encourage local source separation and recycling programs; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent and spirit of the **MANDATORY SOURCE SEPARATION AND RECYCLING ACT** to use the tonnage grants to develop new Municipal recycling programs and to continue and expand existing programs; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection has promulgated recycling regulations to implement the **MANDATORY SOURCE SEPARATION AND RECYCLING ACT**; and

WHEREAS, the recycling regulations impose on municipalities certain requirements as a condition for applying for tonnage grants, including but not limited to, making and keeping accurate, verifiable records of materials collected and claimed by the municipality; and

WHEREAS, a Resolution authorizing this municipality to apply for such tonnage grants for 2026 will memorialize the commitment of this municipality to recycling and to indicate the assent of the **BOROUGH OF LINCOLN PARK** to the efforts undertaken by the municipality and the requirements contained in the **RECYCLING ACT** and **RECYCLING REGULATIONS**; and

WHEREAS, such a Resolution should designate the individual authorized to ensure the application is properly completed and timely filed;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park of Morris County that the Borough of Lincoln Park hereby endorses the submission of the **RECYCLING TONNAGE GRANT APPLICATION** to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and designates **RICK BEYER** to ensure that the application is properly filed;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the monies received from the recycling tonnage grant be deposited in a dedicated recycling trust fund to be solely for the purposes of recycling.

RESOLUTION R26-49

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE BID THRESHOLD AND APPOINT A QUALIFIED PURCHASING AGENT

WHEREAS, current Local Public Contracts Law gives local contracting units the ability to increase their bid threshold up to \$53,000.00; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3a, permits an increase in the bid threshold if a Qualified Purchasing Agent is appointed as well as granted the authorization to negotiate and award such contracts below the bid threshold; and

WHEREAS, the Elections Transparency Act, P.L. 2023 Chapter 30, signed into law on April 3, 2023, permits the local units Qualified Purchasing Agent (QPA) to award "window contracts" in compliance with the Pay-to-Play Law over \$17,500.00, but below the local unit's public bidding threshold; and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 5:34-5 et seq., establishes the criteria for qualifying as a Qualified Purchasing Agent; and

WHEREAS, PERRY MAYERS possesses the designation of Qualified Purchasing Agent as issued by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in accordance with **N.J.A.C. 5:34-5 et seq.**; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Lincoln Park desires to take advantage of the increased bid threshold pursuant to the provisions of P.L. 2021, c. 412;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park, in the County of Morris, in the State of New Jersey, hereby increases its bid threshold to \$53,000.00 or the maximum amount as adjusted pursuant to the provisions of P.L. 2021, c. 412; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park hereby appoints **PERRY MAYERS** as the **QUALIFIED PURCHASING AGENT** to exercise the duties of a **PURCHASING AGENT** pursuant to **N.J.S.A. 40A:11-2(30)**, with specific relevance to the authority, responsibility, and accountability of the purchasing activity of the contracting unit; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the QPA is hereby granted the authority to award contracts having an anticipated value in excess of \$17,500 but below the bid threshold as detailed in Section 3 of the Elections Transparency Act; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in accordance with **N.J.A.C. 5:34-5.2**, the local unit Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to forward a Certified copy of this Resolution and a copy of **PERRY MAYERS** Certification to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

RESOLUTION R26-50

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park (the "Borough") intends to authorize the Assessor of the Borough to prosecute, defend and settle tax appeals on behalf of the Borough before the Morris County Board of Taxation (the "Tax Board") with the advice and consent of the Tax Appeal Attorney; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body intends to authorize the Assessor and the Borough Tax Appeal Attorney to prosecute, defend and recommend settlements of tax appeals before the Tax Court to the Borough Council for approval.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park, County of Morris, and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The Assessor and the Tax Appeal Attorney are hereby authorized, on behalf of the Borough, to prosecute, defend and settle tax appeals before the Morris County Board of Taxation.
2. The Assessor and the Tax Appeal Attorney are hereby authorized to prosecute, defend and recommend the settlement of tax appeals before the Tax Court to the Borough Council for approval.
3. All tax appeals and stipulations of settlement which were filed on behalf of the Borough to the Tax Board prior to the adoption of this Resolution are hereby authorized and ratified *nunc pro tunc*.
4. A copy of this Resolution shall be sent to the Assessor, the Tax Appeal Attorney and the Morris County Board of Taxation.
5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

RESOLUTION R26-51

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park that the following are hereby appointed as members of the County Alliance Steering Subcommittee (CASS) for a term of one (1) year to expire on December 31, 2026 without salary.

Janet Cassidy	Dawn Queli
David Runfeldt	Doug Cook
Perry Mayers	Patti Delaporte
Dina Valente	Cathy Aduato
Chief Cifelli	Melissa Bammer
Rich Williams	David Winston
Michelle Bammer	Sean Soto

RESOLUTION R26-52

WHEREAS, the Borough of Lincoln Park finds it necessary from time to time to contract with the County of Morris and the Morris County Sheriff's Department for the services of Sheriff's Officers to provide site security at "Extra Duty" jobs; and

WHEREAS, the current rate for the services of an "Extra Duty" Morris County Sheriff's Officer is \$85.00 per hour; and

WHEREAS, The Borough's currently bills Outside Contractors requesting the services of an officer at a rate of \$110.16 per hour.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park, County of Morris, and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The Outside Contractor's rate for the service of Sheriff's Officers assigned from the County of Morris and the Morris County Sheriff's Department is hereby set at \$110.16 per hour (\$85.00 plus \$7.00 Administrative Fee plus \$10.00 Car Fee plus \$8.16 scheduling fee).
2. The Mayor, Business Administrator and Borough Clerk, together with all other Officers, professionals and employees of the Borough are hereby authorized and directed to take any and all steps necessary to effectuate the purposes of this Resolution.

RESOLUTION R26-53

BOROUGH OF LINCOLN PARK

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH TO RENEW ITS MEMBERSHIP IN LOCAL PURCHASING COOPERATIVES

WHEREAS, the Borough of Lincoln Park, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:11-11(5) and N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.1 et seq., has availed itself of the right to purchase materials, supplies, and equipment under contracts for such materials, supplies and equipment entered into under the Somerset County Cooperative Pricing System, the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey Cooperative, the Cooperative Pricing Council of the County of Morris, the Cranford Police Cooperative Pricing System, and the Bergen County Cooperative Pricing System; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable from time to time to obtain materials, supplies and equipment under contracts for such materials, supplies, and equipment entered into under the Somerset County Cooperative Pricing System, the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey Cooperative, the Cooperative Pricing Council of the County of Morris, the Cranford Police Cooperative Pricing System, and the Bergen County Cooperative Pricing System without the necessity of advertising for bids or in the cases where no bids have been received; and

WHEREAS, it may be necessary from time to time to obtain materials, supplies and equipment under contracts for such materials, supplies, and equipment entered into under the Somerset County Cooperative Pricing System, the Cranford Police Cooperative Pricing System, the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey Cooperative, the Hunterdon County Educational Services Commission, the Cooperative Pricing Council of the County of Morris, the Edge Market Cooperative Pricing System, the North Jersey Wastewater Cooperative Pricing System, the Passaic County Cooperative Pricing System and the New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Alliance (Bergen County Co-op) with cooperative vendors.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park, County of Morris, and State of New Jersey hereby authorizes purchases made by the Borough of Lincoln Park through several municipal departments under a contract or contracts for materials, supplies or equipment entered into under the Somerset County Cooperative Pricing System, the Cranford Police Cooperative Pricing System, the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey Cooperative, the Hunterdon County Educational Services Commission, the Cooperative Pricing Council of the County of Morris, the Edge Market Cooperative Pricing System, the North Jersey Wastewater Cooperative Pricing System, the Passaic County Cooperative Pricing System and the New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Alliance (Bergen County Co-op).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the duration of this authorization shall be from January 1, 2026 to December 31, 2026, or upon the expiration of the vendor's contract, whichever occurs first.

RESOLUTION R26-54

BOROUGH OF LINCOLN PARK

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH TO RENEW ITS MEMBERSHIP IN NATIONAL PURCHASING COOPERATIVES

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, in which other states participate, whenever it is determined to be the most cost-effective method of procurement; and

WHEREAS, the nationally-recognized Sourcewell Cooperative Pricing System, hereafter referred to as "Sourcewell," Omnia Partners Public Sector Cooperative Purchasing Program, hereafter referred to as Omnia, and the Houston-Galveston Area Council of Governments Cooperative Purchasing Program, hereafter referred to as H-GAC Cooperative Purchasing Program, and The Interlocal Purchasing System, hereafter referred to as TIPS, have offered voluntary participation in their national cooperative purchasing agreements for the purchase of goods and services; and

WHEREAS, it may be necessary from time to time to obtain materials, supplies and equipment under contracts for such materials, supplies, and equipment entered into under the Sourcewell, Omnia, H-GAC, or TIPS cooperatives with cooperative vendors.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the governing body of Borough of Lincoln Park, County of Morris, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. That the governing body of the Borough of Lincoln Park hereby authorizes purchases made by the Borough of Lincoln Park through several municipal departments under a contract or contracts for materials, supplies or equipment entered into under the Sourcewell, Omnia, H-GAC, or TIPS cooperatives with cooperative vendors.
2. That the duration of this authorization shall be from January 1, 2026 to December 31, 2026, or upon the expiration of the vendor's contract, whichever occurs first.
3. The Borough shall be responsible to ensure that the goods and or services procured through the Sourcewell, Omnia, H-GAC, or TIPS cooperatives with comply with all applicable laws of the State of New Jersey, Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) and all other provisions of the revised statutes of the State of New Jersey.

RESOLUTION R26-55

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACTS WITH CERTAIN APPROVED STATE
CONTRACT VENDORS FOR CONTRACTING UNITS PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12a**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Lincoln Park, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12a and N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.29(c), may by resolution and without advertising for bids, purchase any goods or services under the State of New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Program for any State contracts entered into on behalf of the State by the Division of Purchase and Property in the Department of the Treasury; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough of Lincoln Park has the need on a timely basis to purchase goods or services utilizing State contracts; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough of Lincoln Park intends to enter into contracts with State Contract Vendors through this resolution and properly executed contracts, which shall be subject to all the conditions applicable to the current State contracts.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the Borough of Lincoln Park authorizes the Purchasing Agent to purchase certain goods or services from approved New Jersey State Contract Vendors, pursuant to all conditions of the individual State contracts; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.5(b), the Chief Financial Officer shall either certify the full maximum amount against the budget at the time the contract is awarded, or, if the full amount of the contract would not be charged against the budget at the time the contract is awarded by the governing body, no amount shall be encumbered until such time as goods or services are ordered, pursuant to the open-end contract.; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the duration of this authorization shall be from January 1, 2026 to December 31, 2026, or upon the expiration of the vendor's contract, whichever occurs first.

RESOLUTION R26-56

WHEREAS, there exists a need for **Information Technology Consulting and Management Services** for the Borough of Lincoln Park, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, for the 2026 fiscal year, in accordance with the "Local Public Contracts Law" (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) as a Competitive Contract, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 and/or N.J.S.A. 19:44-20.5; and

WHEREAS, Perry Mayers, Qualified Purchasing Agent for the Borough of Lincoln Park, has determined that the value of the service will exceed \$17,500.00; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has agreed to retain **Quikteks, LLC**, located at 373 E Route 46, Fairfield, New Jersey to provide the necessary Information Technology Consulting and Management Services for a contract term of one (1) year, expiring December 31, 2026 as specifically outlined in the Agreement between the Borough and the Quikteks, LLC, at the rate of \$2,950 per month, plus \$520.50 per month for Anti-Virus protection services, and \$400 per month for Off-Site Data Backup, and Duo Security at \$21 per month for a total cost of \$3,891.50 per month; and

WHEREAS, **Quikteks, LLC** has more than 22 years of experience in Information Technology Consulting and Management Services and has provided Information Technology Consulting and Management Services successfully and professionally to the Borough of Lincoln Park for the last 11 years; and

WHEREAS, **Quikteks, LLC** has completed and submitted a Political Contribution Disclosure Form, Stockholder Disclosure Certification, and a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that **Quikteks, LLC** has not made any reportable contributions to any candidate committee, joint candidates committee, or political party committee representing the elected officials of the Borough of Lincoln Park in the previous one year period, pursuant to P.L. 2004, Chapter 19 (as amended by P.L. 2005, c.51), N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq., and that the contract will prohibit **Quikteks, LLC** from making any such reportable contributions through the term of the contract which shall run through December 31, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Lincoln Park has certified, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:30(a)(1), that sufficient funds will be available for said purpose in the 2026 budget; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requires that the Resolution authorizing the award of contracts without competitive bids, and the contract itself, must be available for public inspection.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park authorizes and directs that the Mayor, Borough Administrator, and/or Purchasing Agent enter into a contract with **Quikteks, LLC** as described herein and at a cost not to exceed \$100,000 for the calendar/fiscal year 2026 without further authorization by the Borough Council;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this contract is awarded in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4.5 (Competitive Contracting) of the Local Public Contracts Law;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the Determination of Value be placed on file with this Resolution;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause notice to be published in the official newspaper of the Borough of Lincoln Park stating the nature, duration, service, and amount of the contract and that the resolution and contract are on file and are available for public inspection in the Office of the Borough Clerk.

RESOLUTION R26-57

AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT TO WIELKOTZ & COMPANY TO PROVIDE MUNICIPAL AUDITOR SERVICES

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the Professional Services of a **MUNICIPAL AUDITOR** for the Borough of Lincoln Park, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, for the 2026 fiscal year, in accordance with the "Local Public Contracts Law" (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) as a Non-Fair and Open contract, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 and/or N.J.S.A. 19:44-20.5; and

WHEREAS, Perry Mayers, Qualified Purchasing Agent for the Borough of Lincoln Park, has determined that the value of the service may exceed \$17,500.00; and

WHEREAS, Wielkocz & Company, 401 Wanaque Avenue, Pompton Lakes, NJ 07442 has submitted a proposal to provide Municipal Auditor services for a contract term of one (1) year, expiring December 31, 2026, for a flat Annual Audit fee of \$37,000, Library report at \$3,200 Supplemental Debt Statements at \$850 each, Secondary Market Disclosure Report at \$2,500, and hourly billing rates \$200.00 per hour (Member/Partner), \$175 per hour (Senior Manager), \$150 per hour (Manager), \$125 per hour (Senior Associate), \$100 per hour (Associate), and \$75 per hour (Administration) for additional services; and

WHEREAS, Wielkocz & Company has more than 50 years of experience in Municipal Auditing, represents over 50 NJ municipalities and county governments, and has successfully provided expert auditing services to the Borough of Lincoln Park for over 20 years; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council finds and concludes that it would be in the best interest of the Borough of Lincoln Park to enter into a professional services contract with **Wielkocz & Company** based upon the expertise of **Wielkocz & Company** in Municipal Auditing, extensive Municipal Auditing experience, and competitive cost proposal; and

WHEREAS, Wielkocz & Company has completed and submitted a Political Contribution Disclosure Form, Stockholder Disclosure Certification, and a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that **Wielkocz & Company** has not made any reportable contributions to any candidate committee, joint candidates committee, or political party committee representing the elected officials of the Borough of Lincoln Park in the previous one year period, pursuant to P.L. 2004, Chapter 19 (as amended by P.L. 2005, c.51), N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq., and that the contract will prohibit **Wielkocz & Company** from making any such reportable contributions through the term of the contract; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Lincoln Park has certified, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:30(a)(1), that sufficient funds will be available for said purpose in the 2026 budget; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requires that the Resolution authorizing the award of contracts for "Professional Services" without competitive bids, and the contract itself, must be available for public inspection;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park authorizes and directs that the Mayor, Borough Administrator, and/or Purchasing Agent enter into a professional services contract with **Wielkocz & Company** as described herein

and at a cost not to exceed \$50,000 for the calendar/fiscal year 2026 without further authorization by the Borough Council;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Service" 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;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the Determination of Value be placed on file with this Resolution;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause notice to be published in the official newspaper of the Borough of Lincoln Park stating the nature, duration, service, and amount of the contract and that the resolution and contract are on file and are available for public inspection in the Office of the Borough Clerk.

RESOLUTION R26-58

AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT TO PHOENIX ADVISORS, LLC TO PROVIDE INDEPENDENT REGISTERED MUNICIPAL ADVISOR OF RECORD AND A CONTINUING DISCLOSURE AGENT SERVICES

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the Professional Services of an **INDEPENDENT REGISTERED MUNICIPAL ADVISOR OF RECORD AND A CONTINUING DISCLOSURE AGENT** for the Borough of Lincoln Park, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, for the 2026 fiscal year, in accordance with the "Local Public Contracts Law" (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) as a Non-Fair and Open contract, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 and/or N.J.S.A. 19:44-20.5; and

WHEREAS, the Bond Issuer has heretofore agreed through the execution of Continuing Disclosure Agreements (CDA's) in connection with one or more bond issuances to provide certain financial and other information and notices, within specified timeframes, in a manner prescribed by the regulators of the underwriter that purchased said bond issues; and

WHEREAS, but for the execution of the CDA's, the underwriter of such bonds would be prohibited from purchasing the bonds of the Bond Issuer; and

WHEREAS, in order to ascertain its compliance with various CDA's executed in conjunction with the issuance of bonds, the Bond Issuer must codify the requirements stipulated in those various CDA's and compare those requirements with its filings and correct any deficiencies; and

WHEREAS, rules and regulations promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission restrict the provision of advice concerning the issuance of municipal debt to those that are appropriately registered with the SEC; and

WHEREAS, it is beneficial to retain assistance of appropriately registered experts in the field of municipal bond finance, with knowledge and experience in these matters, to assist in assuring compliance with CDA's and to stand ready to provide advice as needed with the issuance of municipal debt as Municipal Advisor of Record; and

WHEREAS, **Phoenix Advisors, LLC**, 625 Farnsworth Avenue, Bordentown, NJ 08505 has submitted a proposal to provide Independent Registered Municipal Advisor of Record and Continuing Disclosure Services for a contract term of one (1) year, expiring December 31, 2026, at the following rates:

- \$1,600 base fee (for up to three (3) outstanding issues), plus \$150 for each additional outstanding obligation, if filings are required.
- \$500 per issue set-up charge, discounted to \$200 if Phoenix Advisors serves as Municipal Advisor on the transaction.
- \$250 for each Event filing made under the SEC's Event Disclosure Rule. Phoenix Advisors will waive this fee if engaged as Municipal Advisor on a transaction that involves such Event filing.
- \$250 for each Notice of Redemption made in connection with an outstanding term bond maturity.

WHEREAS, the expenses for said services is not expected to exceed \$17,500.00, therefore the requirements of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5 (Pay-to-Play Legislation) do not apply.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park, County of Morris and state of New Jersey authorizes and directs that the Mayor, Borough Administrator, and/or Purchasing Agent enter into a professional services contract with **Pheonix Advisors, LLC** as described herein and at a cost not to exceed \$10,000 for the calendar/fiscal year 2026 without further authorization by the Borough Council;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause notice to be published in the official newspaper of the Borough of Lincoln Park stating the nature, duration, service, and amount of the contract and that the resolution and contract are on file and are available for public inspection in the Office of the Borough Clerk.

RESOLUTION R26-59

AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT TO ANDERSON & DENZLER ASSOCIATES, INC. TO PROVIDE WATER SUPPLY AND WASTEWATER OPERATOR SERVICES

WHEREAS, there exists a need for a Water Supply and Wastewater Operator licensed pursuant to N.J.S.A. 58:11-64, et seq., and the Rules and Regulations promulgated by the Department of Environmental Protection for the Borough of Lincoln Park, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, for the 2026 fiscal year, in accordance with the "Local Public Contracts Law" (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) as a Non-Fair and Open contract, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 and/or N.J.S.A. 19:44-20.5; and

WHEREAS, Perry Mayers, Qualified Purchasing Agent for the Borough of Lincoln Park, has determined that the value of the service will exceed \$17,500.00; and

WHEREAS, **Anderson & Denzler Associates, Inc.**, 383 Ridgedale Avenue, East Hanover, NJ 07936 has submitted a proposal to provide Water Supply and Wastewater Operator services for a contract term of one (1) year, expiring December 31, 2026, at monthly rate of \$1,300 per month for Water System Operator Services and \$510 per month for Sewer System Operator services; and

WHEREAS, work performed beyond the scope of the duties outlined in the proposal, as directed by the Borough, will be billed on a per diem basis as follows; Principal Engineer \$205.70 per hour, Professional Engineer \$195.70 per hour, Engineer \$138.40 per hour, Senior Designer \$148.40 per hour, Land Surveyor, \$158.60 per hour, Design Draftsman \$117.90 per hour, Inspector \$112.40 per hour, Draftsman \$84.70 per hour, 2-Man Field Crew \$223.40 per hour, 3-Man Field Crew \$263.20 per hour; and

WHEREAS, **Anderson & Denzler Associates, Inc.** possesses the required licenses under N.J.S.A. 58:11-64, et seq. for the operation of the Borough's Water Supply and Wastewater activities; and

WHEREAS, **Anderson & Denzler Associates, Inc.** was established in New Jersey in 1955 has more than 6 decades of experience in Municipal Civil Surveying and Engineering; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council finds and concludes that it would be in the best interest of the Borough of Lincoln Park to enter into a professional services contract with **Anderson & Denzler Associates, Inc.** based upon **Anderson & Denzler Associates, Inc.** expertise and experience in Municipal Water Supply and Wastewater Operations, and competitive cost proposal; and

WHEREAS, **Anderson & Denzler Associates, Inc.** has completed and submitted a Political Contribution Disclosure Form, Stockholder Disclosure Certification, and a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that **Anderson & Denzler Associates, Inc.** has not made any reportable contributions to any candidate committee, joint candidates committee, or political party committee representing the elected officials of the Borough of Lincoln Park in the previous one year period, pursuant to P.L. 2004, Chapter 19 (as amended by P.L. 2005, c.51), N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq., and that the contract will prohibit **Anderson & Denzler Associates, Inc.** from making any such reportable contributions through the term of the contract; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Lincoln Park has certified, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:30(a)(1), that sufficient funds will be available for said purpose in the 2026 budget; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requires that the Resolution authorizing the award of contracts for "Professional Services" without competitive bids and the contract itself must be available for public inspection.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park authorizes and directs that the Mayor, Borough Administrator, and/or Purchasing Agent enter into a professional services contract with **Anderson & Denzler Associates, Inc.** as described herein and at a cost not to exceed \$30,000 for the calendar/fiscal year 2026 without further authorization by the Borough Council;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Service" 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.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the Determination of Value be placed on file with this Resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause notice to be published in the official newspaper of the Borough of Lincoln Park stating the nature, duration, service, and amount of the contract and that the resolution and contract are on file and are available for public inspection in the Office of the Borough Clerk.

RESOLUTION R26-60

AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT TO BBG REAL ESTATE SERVICES TO PROVIDE MUNICIPAL APPRAISER SERVICES

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the Professional Services of a **MUNICIPAL APPRAISER** for the Borough of Lincoln Park, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, for the 2026 fiscal year, in accordance with the "Local Public Contracts Law" (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) as a Non-Fair and Open contract, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 and/or N.J.S.A. 19:44-20.5; and

WHEREAS, Perry Mayers, Qualified Purchasing Agent for the Borough of Lincoln Park, has determined that the value of the service may exceed \$17,500.00; and

WHEREAS, **BBG Real Estate Services**, 205 Main Street, Chatham, NJ 07928 has submitted a proposal to provide Municipal Appraiser services for a contract term of one (1) year, expiring December 31, 2026 at the following rates:

- 1) \$185.00 / Municipal Hourly Rate
- 2) \$2,750 Preliminary Reports
- 3) \$3,500 Commercial Tax Court Appraisal Report
- 4) \$100 / Line – Class 4 Revaluation Review
- 5) \$1000 / Line – Class 4 Revaluation
- 6) \$75.00 / Municipal Hourly Rate for Staff

; and

WHEREAS, **BBG Real Estate Services** has more than 34 years of experience in Municipal Condemnation and Property Tax Assessments, represents over 50 NJ municipalities and other government entities, and has previously provided expert appraisal services to the Borough of Lincoln Park for over 16 years; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council finds and concludes that it would be in the best interest of the Borough of Lincoln Park to enter into a professional services contract with **BBG Real Estate Services** based upon the expertise of **BBG Real Estate Services** in Municipal Appraisal services, extensive Municipal Appraisal experience, and competitive cost proposal; and

WHEREAS, **BBG Real Estate Services** has completed and submitted a Political Contribution Disclosure Form, Stockholder Disclosure Certification, and a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that **BBG Real Estate Services** has not made any reportable contributions to any candidate committee, joint candidates committee, or political party committee representing the elected officials of the Borough of Lincoln Park in the previous one year period, pursuant to P.L. 2004, Chapter 19 (as amended by P.L. 2005, c.51), N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq., and that the contract will prohibit **BBG Real Estate Services** from making any such reportable contributions through the term of the contract; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Lincoln Park has certified, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:30(a)(1), that sufficient funds will be available for said purpose in the 2026 budget; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requires that the Resolution authorizing the award of contracts for "Professional Services" without competitive bids, and the contract itself, must be available for public inspection;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park authorizes and directs that the Mayor, Borough Administrator, and/or Purchasing Agent enter into a professional services contract with **BBG Real Estate Services** as described herein and at a cost not to exceed \$20,000 for the calendar/fiscal year 2026 without further authorization by the Borough Council

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park authorizes and directs that the Mayor, Borough Administrator, and/or Purchasing Agent enter into a professional services contract with **BBG Real Estate Services** as described herein and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Service" 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;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the Determination of Value be placed on file with this Resolution;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause notice to be published in the official newspaper of the Borough of Lincoln Park stating the nature, duration, service, and amount of the contract and that the resolution and contract are on file and are available for public inspection in the Office of the Borough Clerk.

RESOLUTION R26-61

AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO COMMUNITY, GRANTS, PLANNING & HOUSING ("CGP&H") FOR HOUSING REHABILITATION SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Borough of Lincoln Park ("Borough") was granted a Judgment of Compliance and Repose with regard to the satisfaction of the Borough's affordable housing obligations on August 18, 2017 in the matter captioned In the Matter of the Application of the Borough of Lincoln Park for Declaratory Judgment, Superior Court of New Jersey, Morris County, Law Division, Docket No. MRS-L-1638-15; and

WHEREAS, the Judgment of Compliance and Repose requires the Borough to enter into a contract with a qualified program administrator for the purpose of administering a housing rehabilitation program for the Borough; and

WHEREAS, the Borough desires to retain Community, Grants, Planning & Housing ("CGP&H") located at 101 Interchange Plaza, Suite 301, Cranbury, New Jersey 08512 to provide housing rehabilitation services as specifically outlined in the 2026 Proposal submitted by CGP&H and attached to this resolution; and

WHEREAS, the services to be provided by CGP&H may be retained without competitive bidding because the proposal is below the bid threshold set forth in the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the services to be provided by CGP&H may be retained without competitive bidding because the proposal is below the bid threshold set forth in the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Lincoln Park has certified, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:30(a)(1), that sufficient funds will be available for said purpose in the 2026 budget; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Lincoln Park, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, they being the Governing Body thereof as follows:

1. The Borough of Lincoln Park ("Borough") hereby retains Community, Grants, Planning & Housing ("CGP&H") for the purpose of administering a housing rehabilitation program for the Borough as specifically outlined in the October 2, 2017 proposal submitted by CGP&H at a cost

not to exceed \$15,000 for the calendar/fiscal year 2026 without further authorization by the Borough Council.

2. The Mayor and Borough Clerk, together with all appropriate officers, employees, professionals and staff of the Borough are hereby authorized and directed to take all steps necessary to effectuate the purposes of this Resolution.

1. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

RESOLUTION R26-62

AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT TO RICCI PLANNING, LLC TO PERFORM PROFESSIONAL PLANNING SERVICES AS MUNICIPAL PLANNER

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the Professional Services of a **MUNICIPAL PLANNER** for the Borough of Lincoln Park, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, for the 2026 fiscal year, in accordance with the "Local Public Contracts Law" (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) as a Non-Fair and Open contract, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 and/or N.J.S.A. 19:44-20.5; and

WHEREAS, Perry Mayers, Qualified Purchasing Agent for the Borough of Lincoln Park has determined that the value of the service may exceed \$17,500.00; and

WHEREAS, **RICCI PLANNING, LLC**, 177 Monmouth Avenue, Atlantic Highlands, New Jersey 07716 has submitted a proposal to provide Professional Planning services for a contract term of one (1) year, expiring December 31, 2026, at the hourly billing rates of \$160.00 per hour for Paul Ricci, AICP, PP, and \$135 per hour for Planning Staff; and

WHEREAS, **RICCI PLANNING, LLC** has more than 25 years of experience in Public Planning and has successfully and professionally provided planning services to the Borough of Lincoln Park since 2016; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council finds and concludes that it would be in the best interest of the Borough of Lincoln Park to enter into a professional services contract with **RICCI PLANNING, LLC** based upon **RICCI PLANNING, LLC'S** expertise in public planning, extensive public planning experience, and competitive cost proposal; and

WHEREAS, **RICCI PLANNING, LLC** has completed and submitted a Political Contribution Disclosure Form, Stockholder Disclosure Certification, and a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that **RICCI PLANNING, LLC** has not made any reportable contributions to any candidate committee, joint candidates committee, or political party committee representing the elected officials of the Borough of Lincoln Park in the previous one year period, pursuant to P.L. 2004, Chapter 19 (as amended by P.L. 2005, c.51), N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq., and that the contract will prohibit **RICCI PLANNING, LLC** from making any such reportable contributions through the term of the contract; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Lincoln Park has certified, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:30(a)(1), that sufficient funds will be available for said purpose in the 2026 budget; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requires that the Resolution authorizing the award of contracts for "Professional Services" without competitive bids, and the contract itself, must be available for public inspection;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park authorizes and directs that the Mayor, Borough Administrator, and/or Purchasing Agent enter into a professional services contract with **RICCI PLANNING, LLC** as described herein and at a cost not to exceed \$25,000 for the calendar/fiscal year 2026 without further authorization by the Borough Council;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Service" 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;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the Determination of Value be placed on file with this Resolution;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause notice to be published in the official newspaper of the Borough of Lincoln Park stating

the nature, duration, service, and amount of the contract and that the resolution and contract are on file and are available for public inspection in the Office of the Borough Clerk.

RESOLUTION R26-63

AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT TO NW FINANCIAL GROUP, LLC TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL CONSULTING SERVICES

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the Professional Services of a **FINANCIAL CONSULTANT** for redevelopment projects in the Borough of Lincoln Park, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, for the 2026 fiscal year, in accordance with the "Local Public Contracts Law" (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) as a Non-Fair and Open contract, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 and/or N.J.S.A. 19:44-20.5; and

WHEREAS, Perry Mayers, Qualified Purchasing Agent for the Borough of Lincoln Park, has determined that the value of the service may exceed \$17,500.00; and

WHEREAS, **NW Financial Group, LLC**, 2 Hudson Place, 3rd Floor, Hoboken NJ 07030 has submitted a proposal to provide Financial Consulting services for a contract term expiring December 31, 2026, at the following rates:

1. Principal \$235 per hour, Managing Director \$215 per hour, Senior Vice-President \$205 per hour, Vice-President \$200 per hour, Associate/Analyst \$195 per hour.
2. For the issuance of notes, NW Financial proposes to be compensated \$1/bond with a minimum of \$7,500 based upon the par amount, payable at the closing of the proposed issuance.
3. For the issuance of bonds, NW Financial proposes to be compensated \$1/bond with a minimum of \$7,500 based upon the par amount, payable at the closing of the proposed issuance; and

WHEREAS, **NW Financial Group's** senior partner has more than 40 years of experience in Municipal Financial Consulting and has previously provided expert redevelopment services to numerous New Jersey Municipalities; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council finds and concludes that it would be in the best interest of the Borough of Lincoln Park to enter into a professional services contract with **NW Financial Group, LLC** based upon the expertise of **NW Financial Group, LLC** in municipal redevelopment finance, extensive financial consulting experience, and competitive cost proposal; and

WHEREAS, **NW Financial Group, LLC** has completed and submitted a Political Contribution Disclosure Form, Stockholder Disclosure Certification, and a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that **NW Financial Group, LLC** has not made any reportable contributions to any candidate committee, joint candidates committee, or political party committee representing the elected officials of the Borough of Lincoln Park in the previous one year period, pursuant to P.L. 2004, Chapter 19 (as amended by P.L. 2005, c.51), N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq., and that the contract will prohibit **NW Financial Group, LLC** from making any such reportable contributions through the term of the contract; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Lincoln Park has certified, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:30(a)(1), that sufficient funds will be available for said purpose in the 2026 budget; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requires that the Resolution authorizing the award of contracts for "Professional Services" without competitive bids, and the contract itself, must be available for public inspection;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park authorizes and directs that the Mayor, Borough Administrator, and/or Purchasing Agent enter into a professional services contract with **NW Financial Group, LLC** as described herein and at a cost not to exceed \$10,000 for the calendar/fiscal year 2026 without further authorization by the Borough Council;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Service" 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;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the Determination of Value be placed on file with this Resolution;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause notice to be published in the official newspaper of the Borough of Lincoln Park stating the nature, duration, service, and amount of the contract and that the resolution and contract are on file and are available for public inspection in the Office of the Borough Clerk.

RESOLUTION R26-64

AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT TO DMC ASSOCIATES, INC. LAND SURVEYOR TO PROVIDE PROFESSIONAL MUNICIPAL SURVEYING SERVICES

WHEREAS, there exists a need for **Professional Surveying Services** for the Borough of Lincoln Park, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, for the 2026 fiscal year, in accordance with the "Local Public Contracts Law" (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) as a Non-Fair and Open contract, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 and/or N.J.S.A. 19:44-20.5; and

WHEREAS, Perry Mayers, Qualified Purchasing Agent for the Borough of Lincoln Park, has determined that the value of the service may exceed \$17,500.00; and

WHEREAS, **DMC Associates, Inc. Land Surveyor** 211 Main Street, Butler, NJ 07405 has submitted a proposal to provide Municipal Appraiser services for a contract term of one (1) year, expiring December 31, 2026 at the following rates:

Tax Map Maintenance.....	\$4,300 annually
Professional Land Surveyor (PLS)	\$125.00 per hour
Senior Survey Analyst.....	\$ 95.00 per hour
Field crew Rate.....	\$185.00 per hour
AutoCAD Tech.....	\$ 85.00 per hour
Planning Board/Board of Adjustment Applications Review.....	\$125.00 per hour

; and

WHEREAS, **DMC Associates, Inc. Land Surveyor** has an established reputation in the field of Municipal Surveying and Tax Map preparation and has previously provided expert surveying services to the Borough of Lincoln Park since 2009; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council finds and concludes that it would be in the best interest of the Borough of Lincoln Park to enter into a professional services contract with **DMC Associates, Inc. Land Surveyor** based upon the expertise, specialized abilities, and resources of **DMC Associates, Inc. Land Surveyor** in Professional Municipal Surveying Services, extensive Professional Municipal Surveying experience, and competitive cost proposal; and

WHEREAS **DMC Associates, Inc. Land Surveyor** has completed and submitted a Political Contribution Disclosure Form, Stockholder Disclosure Certification, and a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that **DMC Associates, Inc. Land Surveyor** has not made any reportable contributions to any candidate committee, joint candidates committee, or political party committee representing the elected officials of the Borough of Lincoln Park in the previous one year period, pursuant to P.L. 2004, Chapter 19 (as amended by P.L. 2005, c.51), N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq., and that the contract will prohibit **DMC Associates, Inc. Land Surveyor** from making any such reportable contributions through the term of the contract; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Lincoln Park has certified, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:30(a)(1), that sufficient funds will be available for said purpose in the 2026 budget; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requires that the Resolution authorizing the award of contracts for "Professional Services" without competitive bids, and the contract itself, must be available for public inspection;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park authorizes and directs that the Mayor, Borough Administrator, and/or Purchasing

Agent enter into a professional services contract with **DMC Associates, Inc. Land Surveyor** as described herein and at a cost not to exceed \$40,000 for the calendar/fiscal year 2026 without further authorization by the Borough Council;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Service" 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;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the Determination of Value be placed on file with this Resolution;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause notice to be published in the official newspaper of the Borough of Lincoln Park stating the nature, duration, service, and amount of the contract and that the resolution and contract are on file and are available for public inspection in the Office of the Borough Clerk.

RESOLUTION R26-65

AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT TO LANDMARK I APPRAISAL, LLC TO PROVIDE MUNICIPAL FLOOD BUYOUT APPRAISER SERVICES

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the Professional Services of a **MUNICIPAL APPRAISER FOR FLOOD BUYOUTS** for the Borough of Lincoln Park, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, for the 2026 fiscal year, in accordance with the "Local Public Contracts Law" (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) as a Non-Fair and Open contract, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 and/or N.J.S.A. 19:44-20.5; and

WHEREAS, **Landmark I Appraisal, LLC**, 555 East Main Street Main Street, Chester, NJ 07930 has submitted a proposal to provide Municipal Appraiser for Flood Buyouts services for a contract term of one (1) year, expiring December 31, 2026 at the following rates:

- 1) \$1050.00 / First Valuation on Single Family Dwellings
 - 2) \$600 / Second Valuation on Single Family Dwellings
- ; and

WHEREAS, **Landmark I Appraisal, LLC** has more than 35 years of experience in the evaluation of real estate , represents over 40 NJ municipalities and other government entities, and has previously provided expert flood buyout appraisal services to the Borough of Lincoln Park for over 9 years; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council finds and concludes that it would be in the best interest of the Borough of Lincoln Park to enter into a professional services contract with **Landmark I Appraisal, LLC** based upon the expertise of **Landmark I Appraisal, LLC** in Municipal Flood Buyout Appraisal services, extensive Municipal Appraisal experience, and competitive cost proposal; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Lincoln Park has certified, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:30(a)(1), that sufficient funds will be available for said purpose in the 2026 budget; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requires that the Resolution authorizing the award of contracts for "Professional Services" without competitive bids, and the contract itself, must be available for public inspection;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park authorizes and directs that the Mayor, Borough Administrator, and/or Purchasing Agent enter into a professional services contract with **Landmark I Appraisal, LLC** as described herein and at a cost not to exceed \$5,000 for the calendar/fiscal year 2026 without further authorization by the Borough Council

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park authorizes and directs that the Mayor, Borough Administrator, and/or Purchasing Agent enter into a professional services contract with **Landmark I Appraisal, LLC** as described herein and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Service" 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;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the Determination of Value be placed on file with this Resolution;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause notice to be published in the official newspaper of the Borough of Lincoln Park stating the nature, duration, service, and amount of the contract and that the resolution and contract are on file and are available for public inspection in the Office of the Borough Clerk.

RESOLUTION R26-66

WHEREAS, there exists a need for **Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning (HVAC)** services for the Borough of Lincoln Park, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, for the 2026 fiscal year, in accordance with the "Local Public Contracts Law" (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) as a Competitive Contract, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 and/or N.J.S.A. 19:44-20.5; and

WHEREAS, Perry Mayers, Qualified Purchasing Agent for the Borough of Lincoln Park, has determined that the value of the service will exceed \$17,500.00; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has agreed to retain **Tri-Tech Energy, Inc.**, located at 3 Mars Court, Boonton, New Jersey to provide the necessary HVAC Services for a contract term of one (1) year, expiring December 31, 2026 as specifically outlined in the Agreement between the Borough and the Tri-Tech Energy, Inc., at the rate of \$21,385.00 annually for Preventive Maintenance and \$170.00 per hour for a mechanic and \$100.00 per hour for a helper for Repair Service (Monday - Friday 8:00am to 4:00pm) and \$340.00 per hour for a mechanic and \$200.00 per hour for a helper for Emergency Repair Service (Monday - Friday after 4:00pm and on Weekends); and

WHEREAS, **Tri-Tech Energy, Inc.** has more than 36 years of experience in HVAC services and has provided HVAC Services successfully and professionally to the Borough of Lincoln Park since 2019; and

WHEREAS, **Tri-Tech Energy, Inc.** has completed and submitted a Political Contribution Disclosure Form, Stockholder Disclosure Certification, and a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that **Tri-Tech Energy, Inc.** has not made any reportable contributions to any candidate committee, joint candidates committee, or political party committee representing the elected officials of the Borough of Lincoln Park in the previous one year period, pursuant to P.L. 2004, Chapter 19 (as amended by P.L. 2005, c.51), N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq., and that the contract will prohibit **Tri-Tech Energy, Inc.** from making any such reportable contributions through the term of the contract which shall run through December 31, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requires that the Resolution authorizing the award of contracts without competitive bids, and the contract itself, must be available for public inspection;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park authorizes and directs that the Mayor, Borough Administrator, and/or Purchasing Agent enter into a contract with **Tri-Tech Energy, Inc.** as described herein and at a cost not to exceed \$60,000 for the calendar/fiscal year 2026 without further authorization by the Borough Council.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this contract is awarded in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4.5 (Competitive Contracting) of the Local Public Contracts Law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the Determination of Value be placed on file with this Resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause notice to be published in the official newspaper of the Borough of Lincoln Park stating the nature, duration, service, and amount of the contract and that the resolution and contract are on file and are available for public inspection in the Office of the Borough Clerk.

RESOLUTION R26-67

WHEREAS, any tax overpayment shall be disposed of only with authorization granted through a detailed resolution adopted by the Governing Body; and

WHEREAS, it is the sole authority of the Governing Body to authorize the Tax Collector to dispose of any overpayment by applying such funds toward the payment of an outstanding tax from another year;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Lincoln Park that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to make the following tax adjustment:

Transfer the credit balances from the fourth quarter of the current year to the first quarter of the subsequent year.

RESOLUTION R26-68

AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH ATLAS RISK MITIGATION FOR FLOOD RESILIENCE & EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS PLANNING SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Borough of Lincoln Park requires the services of a consultant to provide technical support in the development and maintenance of the Borough's Community Rating System (CRS) Program, Floodplain Compliance, Hazard Mitigation, and Emergency Management Planning; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has received a proposal from **Atlas Risk Mitigation** of Bloomfield, NJ to provide the aforementioned services; and

WHEREAS, after evaluating the proposal, the Borough desires to enter into a contract with **Atlas Risk Mitigation** to provide said services for a total contract price not to exceed \$7,500.00 without further authorization by the Borough Council for the calendar/fiscal year 2026; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Lincoln Park, in the County of Morris, New Jersey that **Atlas Risk Mitigation** is hereby awarded a contract for technical support in the development and maintenance of the Borough's Community Rating System (CRS) Program, Floodplain Compliance, Hazard Mitigation, and Emergency Management Planning Services in an amount not to exceed \$7,500, without further authorization by the Borough Council.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this expenditure shall be charged to any account that may be deemed appropriate by the Chief Financial Officer or her designee; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Administrator is hereby authorized to enter into a contract for the aforementioned services a copy of which shall be available for public inspection in the Office of the Borough Clerk.

RESOLUTION R26-69

AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO PIAZZA ASSOCIATES, INC. FOR ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Borough of Lincoln Park ("Borough") was granted a Judgment of Compliance and Repose with regard to the satisfaction of the Borough's affordable housing obligations on August 18, 2017 in the matter captioned In the Matter of the Application of the Borough of Lincoln Park for Declaratory Judgment, Superior Court of New Jersey, Morris County, Law Division, Docket No. MRS-L-1638-15; and

WHEREAS, the Judgment of Compliance and Repose requires the Borough to enter into a contract with an Administrative Agent for the purpose of administering and enforcing the affordability controls on affordable housing units in the Borough, as well as administering and enforcing the Borough's Affirmative Marketing Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has agreed to enter into a new contract with its current Administrative Agent, Piazza Associates, Inc., 201 Rockingham Row, Princeton, New Jersey 08540 ("Piazza"), to provide the necessary Administrative Agent services; and

WHEREAS, the services to be provided by Piazza may be retained without competitive bidding because the \$450 per month proposal is below the quote threshold set forth in the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Lincoln Park has certified, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:30(a)(1), that sufficient funds will be available for said purpose in the 2026 budget; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Lincoln Park, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, they being the Governing Body thereof as follows:

1. The Borough of Lincoln Park ("Borough") hereby retains Piazza Associates, Inc. ("Piazza") for the provision Administrative Agent services for the purpose of administering and enforcing the affordability controls on all affordable housing units in the Borough, as well as administering and enforcing the Borough's Affirmative Marketing Plan, and as specifically outlined in the Agreement between the Borough and Piazza at a cost not to exceed \$6,500 for the calendar/fiscal year 2026 without further authorization by the Borough Council.
2. The Mayor and Borough Clerk, together with all appropriate officers, employees, professionals and staff of the Borough are hereby authorized and directed to take all steps necessary to effectuate the purposes of this Resolution.
3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

The Clerk called the Roll

Yes: Council Members: Antonetti, Gemian, Moeller, Ross, Seise, Thompson, and Gurkovich
No: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

The Resolutions were Adopted.

XI. PUBLIC HEARING:

Council President Gurkovich: Do we have a motion to open up

Thompson: I'll move the public hearing

Gurkovich: All in favor, the Council responded as Aye

Gurkovich: The public hearing is now open. If there's someone who wishes to speak, please come up front, give your name and address.

Ross: Seeing no one coming forward, I move we close the public portion

Gemian: I'll second that

Member of the Public: I don't think anyone can hear what you guys are saying.

Ross: Seeing no one come forward, I move we close the public portion.

Moeller: Second

Gurkovich: All in favor?

Seise: Excuse me. Did everyone hear that we did the public portion. Did you hear that we opened the floor to the public. I just want to make sure that everyone was aware.

Member of the Public: We heard that you closed it.

Seise: They heard that we closed it, they never heard that we opened it.

Borough Attorney DiLorenzo: Joe, start again, speak louder, say we're opening the public hearing.

Gurkovich: Alright, we're opening the public hearing

Thompson: I'll move we open the public hearing.

Ross: I'll second that

Thompson: All in favor, the Council responded Aye

Borough Attorney DiLorenzo: You want me to do it?

Gurkovich: Yeah

Borough Attorney DiLorenzo: We're open for a public hearing at this time anybody that wants to come up and speak to make any comments about the meeting so far, or anything, you can come up and make it. Again, we are going to have a second meeting right after this and we're going to have another public comment section after the second meeting, but anybody that wants to come up now, just state your name and your address, and your limited to five minutes, three minutes or five minutes?

Thompson and Gurkovich responded five minutes.

Borough Attorney DiLorenzo said five minutes and whatever your comments are. Does anybody wish to come up?

Thompson: Seeing no one coming forward I move that we close the public hearing

Gurkovich: Second

Gurkovich: All in favor, the Council responded Aye

XII. ADJOURNMENT:

Thompson: I move we Adjourn.

Gemian: I second

Thompson: All in Favor, the Council responded as Aye.

There being no further business to come before the Council, the Re-Organization Meeting of January 5, 2026, was adjourned at 7:36 PM.

Borough Clerk
Courtney Fitzpatrick RMC, CMC, MMC, CMR

Council President, Joseph Gurkovich