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City of Newark

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Legislation Text

Dept/ Agency: Office of the Mayor
Action: (X) Ratifying (X) Authorizing () Amending
Type of Service: Professional Service Contract
Purpose: To serve as a Per Diem Municipal Public Defender for the Newark Municipal Court
representing indigent defendants
Entity Name: Anthony N. Barbieri, P.C.
Entity Address: 832 Clifton Avenue, Clifton, New Jersey 07013
Contract Amount: Not to exceed \$17,000.00
Funding Source: 2019 Budget/Office of the Mayor
Contract Period: January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019
Contract Basis: () Bid () State Vendor (X) Prof. Ser. () EUS
() Fair & Open () No Reportable Contributions () RFP () RFQ
Private Sale () Grant () Sub-recipient () N/A
Additional Information:

WHEREAS, the City of Newark is in need of Per Diem Attorneys to serve as Municipal Public Defenders to be assigned to cases in the Newark Municipal Court; and

WHEREAS, legal services are professional services exempt from the requirement of public bidding, pursuant to Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(i): and

WHEREAS, the City of Newark desires to enter into a contract with Anthony N. Barbieri, P.C., 832 Clifton, New Jersey 07013, for Anthony N. Barbieri, Esq. to serve as a Per Diem Municipal Public Defender for the Newark Municipal Court, providing representation to indigent defendants for an amount not to exceed seventeen thousand dollars (\$17,000.00), for the period commencing on January 1, 2019 and terminating on December 31, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the State Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., requires that notice of award of contracts for "Professional Services" without competitive bidding must be published in a local newspaper; and

WHEREAS, this contract is for an amount under seventeen thousand five hundred dollars (\$17,500.00) and therefore is not subject to the fair and open procedures of the State Pay-to-Play Law, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5; and

WHEREAS, this contract is being awarded as a Professional Service, pursuant to the provisions of the State Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(i); and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Council adopted the Contractor Pay-to-Play Reform Ordinance, Newark, New Jersey, Municipal Code § 2:4-22C, which forbids the award of a contract to a Business

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Entity, as defined therein, which has made or solicited political contributions to Newark Municipal Candidates, office holders having ultimate responsibility for the award of a contract, candidate committees of the aforementioned candidates; and political or political party committees of the City of Newark or County of Essex; and continuing political committees or political action committees regularly engaged in the support of the City of Newark municipal or County of Essex elections; and certain other political party or candidate committees, in excess of certain thresholds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEWARK, NEW JERSEY, THAT:

- 1. The Mayor and/or his designee, the Chief Municipal Public Defender, are hereby authorized to enter into and execute a Professional Services contract with Anthony N. Barbieri, P.C., 832 Clifton Avenue, Clifton, New Jersey 07013, to serve as a Per Diem Municipal Public Defender for the Newark Municipal Court, representing indigent defendants for an amount not to exceed seventeen thousand dollars (\$17,000.00), for the period commencing on January 1, 2019 and terminating on December 31, 2019.
- 2. This contract is for an amount under seventeen thousand five hundred dollars (\$17,500.00) and therefore is not subject to State Pay-to-Play Law, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5.
- 3. This contract is being awarded as a Professional Service, pursuant to the provisions of the State Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(i), because service required must be performed by someone who is licensed to practice law in the State of New Jersey and is in compliance with the Contractor Pay-to-Play Reform Ordinance, Newark, New Jersey, Municipal Code § 2:4-22C.
- 4. This contract is being awarded as an open-end contract with a certification of availability of funds executed each time services are used and charged against contract, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.5(b)(2).
- 5. The contract between the City of Newark and Anthony N. Barbieri, P.C. is ratified from January 1, 2019, through the date of adoption of this authorizing resolution.
- 6. The Chief Municipal Public Defender shall file a copy of the fully executed contract herein authorized in the Office of the City Clerk and it shall be made available for public inspection.
- 7. A notice of this action shall be published in the newspaper authorized by law to publish a legal advertisement and as required by law within ten (10) days of the adoption of this Resolution.

STATEMENT

This resolution ratifies and authorizes the Mayor and/or his designee, the Chief Municipal Public Defender, to enter into and execute a professional services contract with Anthony N. Barbieri, P.C., 832 Clifton Avenue, Clifton, New Jersey 07013, to serve as a Per Diem Municipal Public Defender for the Newark Municipal Court, representing indigent defendants for an amount not to exceed seventeen thousand dollars (\$17,000.00), for the period commencing on January 1, 2019 and terminating on December 31, 2019.