



RESOLUTION 21-179

Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Professional Services Agreement with Law Offices of Gerald Muller P.C. for a Not-to-Exceed Cost of \$47,500 for Legal Services to the Princeton Planning Board for Calendar Year 2021

WHEREAS, by resolution adopted January 7, 2021, the Princeton Planning Board appointed Gerald J. Muller and the Law Offices of Gerald Muller, P.C. (“CONSULTANT”) to serve as the Princeton Planning Board Attorney for calendar year 2021, as authorized by *N.J.S.A. 40:55D-24*; and

WHEREAS, CONSULTANT has offered to provide these services to the Planning Board at the hourly rates set forth in the Planning Board’s resolution, for the not to exceed contract amount of \$47,500.00; and

WHEREAS, Princeton has a need to acquire these services without a “fair and open process” as defined by *P.L. 2004, c.19*, the “Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law” and in connection therewith, CONSULTANT has completed and filed with Princeton the required Campaign Contributions Affidavit pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.8*, Certification Regarding Political Contributions pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.26* and affidavit pursuant section 2-87 of the Princeton Code (collectively, the “Pay-to-Play Forms”); and

WHEREAS, the agreement shall be for a one-year term beginning on January 1, 2021 and ending on December 31, 2021, for a total amount not to exceed \$47,500.00; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that sufficient funds are available to pay for said services; and

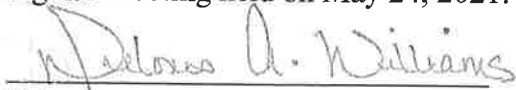
WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law, *N.J.S.A.* 40A:11-5(1)(a)(i), authorizes Princeton to award this agreement as a professional services agreement, without public bidding;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Municipality of Princeton, County of Mercer, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute an agreement with Gerald J. Muller and the Law Offices of Gerald Muller, P.C. (CONSULTANT) for professional legal services to the Princeton Planning Board for calendar year 2021, consistent with this resolution and the preamble hereto.
2. The agreement is awarded without competitive bidding as a professional services agreement as authorized under *N.J.S.A.* 40A:11-5(1)(a)(i).
3. CONSULTANT shall be paid a fee not to exceed \$47,500.00. The term of the agreement shall be from January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021.
4. A copy of this Resolution, the Pay-to-Play Forms and the agreement shall be placed on file in the Office of the Clerk.
5. A notice of this action shall be published in the official newspaper as required by law.

Councilperson	Absent	Present	1 st	2 nd	Yea	Nay	Abstain	Disqualified
Mr. Cohen		X	X		X			
Ms. Fraga		X			X			
Ms. Niedergang		X			X			
Ms. Pirone Lambros		X			X			
Ms. Sacks		X			X			
Mr. Williamson		X		X	X			
Mayor Freda		X						

I, Delores A. Williams, RMC, Clerk of Princeton, do hereby certify that the above is a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Mayor and Council of Princeton at a regular meeting held on May 24, 2021.



Delores A. Williams, RMC, Clerk

ATTACHMENTS:

- PSA 2021 Muller Law (DOCX)