RESOLUTION #2025 - 1

RESOLUTION OF THE MANTUA TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY APPOINTING JOHN ALICE, ESQUIRE AS SOLICITOR AND AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

WHEREAS, there exists a need for legal services for the Mantua Township Municipal Utilities Authority; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey has enacted N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5 which bars any municipality, agency or instrumentality thereof from entering into a contract in excess of \$17,500.00 with a business entity that has made a political contribution reportable pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-1 *et. seq.* to any municipal committee of a political party in that municipality if a member of that political party is serving in an elective public office of that municipality when the contract is awarded or to any candidate committee of any person serving in an elective public office of that municipality when the contract is awarded unless said contract is awarded pursuant to a fair and open process; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-1 *et. seq.* the contract for legal services has been subject to a fair and open process; the Mantua Township Municipal Utilities Authority has selected John Alice, Esquire; and

WHEREAS, the bylaws indicate a minimum fee equal to six percent (6%) of the Authority's assessment which expenditure represents reasonable compensation for the services required and was included in the cost considered by the Authority.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mantua Township Municipal Utilities Authority as follows:

- 1. That John Alice, Esquire is hereby appointed Solicitor of the Mantua Township Municipal Utilities Authority for a period of one (1) year commencing on February 4, 2025 until Reorganization, 2026.
- 2. The Chairman of the Mantua Township Municipal Utilities Authority is hereby authorized to execute the attached Agreement on behalf of the Authority with John Alice, Esquire for legal services to be rendered.

- 3. This Contract is awarded pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-1 et. seq.
- 4. Notice of this Resolution shall be published in the newspaper within ten (10) days of its adoption.

THIS RESOLUTION shall take effect immediately.

DULY ADOPTED at the Reorganization Meeting of the Mantua Township Municipal Utilities Authority held on February 4, 2025.

> The Mantua Township **Municipal Utilities Authority**

, Chairman

ATTEST:

John Parks, Secretary

Governing Body

Recorded Vote Resolution 2025-01 Appointing

Solicitor

| | Mario DiLisciandro Chairman | Tim Sheehan Vice Chair | John Parks Secretary | James Neely Treasurer | Howath Engineering Coordinator | Chris Heisler Alt 1 | Alt 2 |
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