

RESOLUTION #2026 - 2

**RESOLUTION OF THE MANTUA TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY
APPOINTING MARK BRUNERMER OF THE ENGINEERING FIRM
SICKELS & ASSOCIATES, INC. AS ENGINEER FOR THE AUTHORITY AND
AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES**

WHEREAS, the Mantua Township Municipal Utilities Authority, hereinafter referred to as "Authority", requires the services of an Engineer as the term of the existing engineer has ended; 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, 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; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-1 *et. seq.*, the Authority advertised for the submission of proposals for a professional service agreement through a fair and open process; and

WHEREAS, the Authority received responses and evaluated each professional's ability to meet the Authority's needs, considering all pertinent factors, including but not necessarily limited to, professional merit, qualifications, experience, references, cost competitiveness, and responsiveness to the advertisement; and

WHEREAS, Mark Brunermer of Sickels & Associates, Inc., a New Jersey Corporation, is a licensed engineer of the State of New Jersey and has the necessary training and experience to serve as the Engineer for the Authority.

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

1. That Mark Brunermer of the firm of Sickels & Associates, Inc. is hereby appointed Engineer for the Authority for a term of one year commencing February 3, 2026 until Reorganization, 2027.
2. The Authority's Chairperson and/or Executive Director are authorized to enter into an agreement on behalf of the Authority

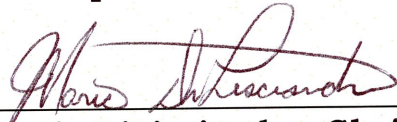
with Sickels & Associates, Inc., for the services of the Authority Engineer.

3. The appointment and agreement are awarded pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-1 *et. seq.*
3. The award is subject to a determination that there are sufficient funds in the Authority's Budget for the Agreement.
4. Notice of this Resolution shall be published according to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(a)(a)(i).

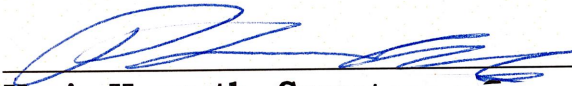
THIS RESOLUTION shall take effect immediately.

DULY ADOPTED at the Reorganization Meeting of the Mantua Township Municipal Utilities Authority held on February 3, 2026.

**The Mantua Township
Municipal Utilities Authority**

By: 
Mario DiLisciandro, Chairman

ATTEST:


Kevin Howarth, Secretary

Governing Body Recorded Vote Resolution 2026-2 Appointing Engineer

| | Mario DiLisciandro Chairman | Tim Sheehan Vice Chair | Kevin Howarth Secretary | James Neely Treasurer | Chris Heisler Engineering Coordinator | Vacant Alt #1 | Vacant Alt #2 |
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| MOTION | | ✓ | | | | | |
| SECOND | | | | ✓ | | | |
| AYE | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | |
| NAY | | | | | | | |
| ABSENT | | | | | | | |
| ABSTAIN | | | | | | | |