Resolution 18-069

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE AN AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH ALAN SOBEL, CPA, SOBEL & CO., LLC FOR THE PERFORMANCE OF LITIGATION SUPPORT SERVICES

WHEREAS, there exists a need to engage the services of a certified public accountant to perform litigation support services in the matter of <u>Jersey City Municipal Utilities Authority</u>, et. <u>al. v. Town of Dover et. al.</u>, Docket No. MRS-L-1313-10; and

WHEREAS, Alan Sobel, CPA, of the firm of Sobel & Co., LLC, 293 Eisenhower Parkway, Suite 290, Livingston, NJ 07039-1711, submitted a proposal for such professional services, dated August 4, 2016, which proposal is on file at the offices of the Rockaway Valley Regional Sewerage Authority ("RVRSA"); and

WHEREAS, by Resolution 16-085, adopted August 11, 2016, the RVRSA authorized Alan Sobel, CPA, of the firm of Sobel & Co., LLC, to undertake such litigation support services, in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00 without prior authorization; and

WHEREAS, the RVRSA desires to authorize Alan Sobel, CPA to undertake additional litigation support services, in an amount not to exceed \$20,000.00 without prior authorization; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40:11-1 et seq.) authorizes contracts for the provision of "Professional Services," which may be awarded without public advertising and competitive bidding therefore, provided a brief notice of the nature, duration, service and amount of contract is published, and that the Resolution and contract are kept on file and available for public inspection; and

WHEREAS, funds are available for this purpose in Budget Line Item in Professional Services 01-501-020.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Rockaway Valley Regional Sewerage Authority as follows:

- 1. The Rockaway Valley Regional Sewerage Authority recognizes that Alan Sobel, CPA, has an established reputation in the field of accounting, particularly with respect to accounting matters relevant to municipalities, sewerage authorities and public entities, and that he possesses the specialized abilities and resources to provide expert witness services necessary to meet the Authority's needs.
- 2. That the Executive Director is hereby authorized to execute an amendment to the professional services agreement between Alan D. Sobel, CPA, Sobel & Co., LLC and the Rockaway Valley Regional Sewerage Authority, for litigation support services in the matter entitled <u>Jersey City Municipal Utilities Authority</u>, et. al. v.

<u>Town of Dover et. al.</u>, Docket No. MRS-L-1313-10, at the rates set forth in the letter proposal from Alan Sobel, CPA, August 4, 2016, in an amount not to exceed \$20,000.00 without prior authorization, for a new total contract amount for litigation support services of \$30,000.00

- 3. This agreement is awarded based on a non-fair and open process and is awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Service" under the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40:11-5, because the service is of such a nature that it will not reasonably permit the drawing of specifications or the receipt of competitive bids.
- 4. Notice of the within action shall be provided in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(i) and a copy of this resolution shall be available for public inspection at the offices of the RVRSA at 99 Green Bank Road, Township of Parsippany-Troy Hills, Morris County, New Jersey.
- 5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

I hereby certify that this Resolution was adopted at a meeting of the Rockaway Valley Regional Sewerage Authority on 14th of June, 2018.

On motion of Glenn Corbett

Second by John Cegelka

And a roll call vote as follows:

Yeas: (9) Andes, Cegelka, Corbett, Guadagno, Isselin, Lowell, Recchia, Rossi, Schorno

Nays: (0) None

Abstain: (1) Vincitore

Absent: (0) None

Michael Quadagno
Michael Guadagno
Board Secretary

CERTIFICATION OF AVAILABLE FUNDS



To: JoAnn Mondsini, Executive Director

From: Sandy Thai, Chief Financial Officer

Date: June 5, 2018

Subject: Certification of Available Funds for Sobel & Co, LLC for expert testimony in the

JC Trial

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I certify that sufficient funds in the amount of \$20,000 for a new total contract amount of \$30,000 is available in the 2018 budget line item 01-501-020 for Sobel & Co, LLC for expert testimony in the JC Trial.

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Chief Financial Officer