

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING A CONTRACT FOR CONSULTING SERVICES BY
AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF CREST HILL AND BRENT HASSERT CONSULTING
LLC**

WHEREAS, the Corporate Authorities of the City of Crest Hill, Will County, Illinois, have the authority to adopt resolutions and to promulgate rules and regulations that pertain to the City's government and affairs and protect the public health, safety, and welfare of its citizens; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 2-2-12 of the Illinois Municipal Code (65 ILCS 5/2-2-12), the City Council possesses the authority to enter into contracts that serve the legitimate corporate purposes of the City; and

WHEREAS, Brent Hassert Consulting LLC ("Hassert"), is an Illinois limited liability company that is in the business of providing consulting services to businesses including municipal entities; and

WHEREAS, the City has previously contracted with Hassert for Management Consulting services through Steve Gulden following the resignation of City Administrator Heather McGuire and during the search for a new City Administrator; and

WHEREAS, following the resignation of Scott McMaster, the City previously contracted with Hassert for Economic Development Consulting Services during the search for a New Economic Development Director; and

WHEREAS, since the separation of Jim Marino from the City as its City Administrator, the City is currently in need of Management Consulting Services; and

WHEREAS, Hassert, primarily through Steve Gulden, is ready, willing, and able to provide needed Management Consulting Services to the City; and

WHEREAS, City Staff have negotiated a Consulting Services Agreement for the provision of the needed consulting services to the City (the "Agreement"), a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A and fully incorporated herein; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has reviewed the Agreement and determined that the conditions, terms, and provisions of the Agreement are fair, reasonable, and acceptable to the City; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that it is in the best interests of the City and its citizens to enter into the Agreement with Hassert.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Crest Hill, Illinois, pursuant to its statutory authority, as follows:

SECTION 1: PREAMBLE. The City Council hereby finds that all the recitals contained in the preamble to this Resolution are true, correct, and complete and are hereby incorporated by reference thereto and made a part hereof.

SECTION 2: AGREEMENT APPROVED. The City Council hereby finds and declares that the conditions, terms, and provisions of the Agreement (Exhibit A) are fair, reasonable, and acceptable to the City and that the same is hereby approved in form and substance. Therefore, the City Council hereby authorizes and directs the Mayor to execute and deliver, and the Clerk to attest, the Agreement, and further to take any and all other actions, including without limitation the execution and delivery of any and all documents, necessary and appropriate to effectuate the intent of this Resolution, which is to enter into the Agreement with Hassert.

SECTION 3: SEVERABILITY. If any section, paragraph, clause, or provision of this Resolution is held invalid, the invalidity of such section, paragraph, clause, or provision shall not affect any other provision of this Resolution.

SECTION 4: REPEALER. All ordinances, resolutions or orders, or parts thereof, which conflict with the provisions of this Resolution, are to the extent of such conflict hereby repealed.

SECTION 5: EFFECTIVE DATE. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage and publication according to law.

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PASSED THIS 21ST DAY OF AUGUST, 2023.

| | Aye | Nay | Absent | Abstain |
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| Alderman John Vershay | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Alderman Scott Dyke | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Alderwoman Claudia Gazal | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Alderman Darrell Jefferson | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Alderperson Tina Oberlin | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Alderman Mark Cipiti | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Alderman Nate Albert | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Alderman Joe Kubal | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Mayor Raymond R. Soliman | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |

Christine Vershay-Hall, City Clerk

APPROVED THIS 21ST DAY OF AUGUST, 2023.

Raymond R. Soliman, Mayor

ATTEST:

Christine Vershay-Hall, City Clerk

EXHIBIT A