

RESOLUTION NO. 24-

**TOWNSHIP OF MIDDLETOWN
COUNTY OF MONMOUTH**

**RESOLUTION AWARDING PROFESSIONAL SERVICE
CONTRACT FOR EXTRAORDINARY UNSPECIFIABLE
SERVICE FOR GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS CONSULTANT**

WHEREAS, the Township of Middletown has sought the services of a governmental affairs consultant to seek opportunities to help offset future increases in property taxes and assist the Township on a wide array of issues and concerns the Township has with the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, while the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)) does not require competitive bidding for this position it was nevertheless advertised pursuant to the Fair and Open Process (N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5); and

WHEREAS, subject to the certification of availability of funds by the Chief Financial Officer, CLB Partners LLC is qualified and agrees to provide governmental affairs consulting services for a flat monthly retainer of \$5,000, exclusive of reasonably approved expenses.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Middletown in the County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey that CLB Partners LLC, 130 West State Street, Trenton, New Jersey 08608 is hereby awarded a contract for governmental affairs consulting services for a flat monthly retainer of \$5,000, exclusive of reasonably approved expenses, for 2024 for an estimated contract amount not to exceed \$60,000.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and the Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute an Agreement for the provision of such services, a copy of which shall be maintained by the Clerk and advertised in the Township's official newspaper pursuant to law.