

**RESOLUTION - AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A "FAIR AND OPEN" CONTRACT FOR  
RFP #2-26 LABOR COUNSEL SERVICES**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Tinton Falls has a need for professional Labor Counsel services for various matters that may arise during the contract year, January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2026; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough has, through the fair and open process, advertised on its website and in the Asbury Park Press on Wednesday, November 5, 2025, the solicitation for receipt of proposals from legal firms for said services, and four (4) proposals were received and documented on Wednesday, December 3, 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough has reviewed all the proposals received, and it was determined that the firms of Rainone Coughlin Minchello, 555 U.S. Highway One South, Suite 440, Iselin, NJ 08830 and Cleary, Giacobbe, Alfieri and Jacobs, LLC, 169 Ramapo Valley Road, UL 105, Oakland, NJ 07436 satisfy the requisites contained in the Request for Proposals to be considered for professional Labor Counsel services that the Borough may require during the contract year; and

**WHEREAS**, this contract is to be awarded for an amount not to exceed \$40,000, plus miscellaneous reimbursable for professional Labor Counsel Services; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Tinton Falls as follows:

1. The firms of Rainone Coughlin Minchello, 555 U.S. Highway One South, Suite 440, Iselin, NJ 08830 and Cleary, Giacobbe, Alfieri and Jacobs, LLC, 169 Ramapo Valley Road, UL 105, Oakland, NJ 07436 are hereby retained to provide professional Labor Counsel services for an amount not to exceed \$40,000 plus miscellaneous reimbursable for a term expiring December 31, 2026.
2. This contract is awarded through the fair and open process as a Professional Service in accordance with NJSA 19:44A-20.5 et seq. and in accordance with NJSA 40A:11-5(1)(a) because it is for services performed by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession.
3. A copy of this Resolution, as well as the contract, shall be placed on file with the Clerk of the Borough of Tinton Falls.
4. The Borough Clerk is hereby directed to publish a public notice of this award as required by law.

I hereby certify funds availability contingent upon the necessary funds being appropriated by the governing body in the 2026 Municipal Budget: Legal: \$40,000

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Thomas P. Fallon, Chief Financial Officer

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Michael J. Nesci, Council President

**BOROUGH OF TINTON FALLS COUNCIL**

| <b>Council Member</b> | <b>Moved</b> | <b>Second</b> | <b>Ayes</b> | <b>Nays</b> | <b>Absent</b> | <b>Abstain</b> |
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| Mr. Alessi            |              |               |             |             |               |                |
| Ms. Buckley           |              |               |             |             |               |                |
| Mr. Neis              |              |               |             |             |               |                |
| Mr. Parikh            |              |               |             |             |               |                |
| Mr. Nesci             |              |               |             |             |               |                |

**CERTIFICATION**

I, Michelle Hutchinson, Borough Clerk of the Borough of Tinton Falls, hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Tinton Falls Borough Council at their meeting held January 20, 2026.

WITNESS, my hand and the seal of the Borough of Tinton Falls, this 20th day of January 2026.

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Michelle Hutchinson  
Borough Clerk