

RESOLUTION NO. 63-2018

BOROUGH OF ROSELAND
COUNTY OF ESSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF JEFFERY R.
SURENIAN AND ASSOCIATES AS COAH ATTORNEY– 2018
IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5

WHEREAS, the Borough of Roseland has a need to acquire and engage legal counsel for matters related to COAH pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5.; and

WHEREAS, Roseland is desirous of obtaining the most qualified professional services and the most competitive pricing regarding those professional services; and

WHEREAS, Professional Services are exempt from Public Bidding; and

WHEREAS, Roseland utilized the Fair and Open Process set forth in N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5 to solicit proposals from qualified professionals; and

WHEREAS, Requests for Proposals for Special Counsel for COAH were solicited on October 19, 2017 and were opened on December 6, 2017; and

WHEREAS, proposals were received from Jeffrey R. Surenian and Associates and McManimon, Scotland & Bauman, and

WHEREAS, Jeffrey R. Surenian has a has a clear and thorough understanding of the Borough's needs having practiced in the area of affordable housing law for over 30 years and is thoroughly familiar with the Supreme Court's recent decision, In re Adoption of N.J.A.C. 5:96 & 5:97 ex re. New Jersey Council on Affordable House. 221 NJ (2015) "Mount Laurel IV"; and

WHEREAS, Jeffrey R. Surenian has demonstrated and documented his successes in the area of law; and

WHEREAS, the anticipated term of this contract is for a period of time commencing January 1, 2018 and ending on December 31, 2018; and

WHEREAS, Jeffery R. Surenian of 707 Union Avenue, Suite 301, Brielle, NJ 08730 has agreed and confirmed that Jeffery R. Surenian and Associates will provide the legal services as Special Counsel for COAH in accordance with the proposal submitted to the Borough at a rate of \$200.00 per hour for an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00 without the prior written approval of the and Mayor and Council; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.4 et seq., the Chief Financial Officer has certified funds in the amount of \$100,000.00 under 18-00274 and charged to Budget Account 8-01-20-155-092; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Roseland that Jeffrey R. Surenian is appointed the Special Counsel for COAH and that the Mayor is authorized to execute a contract in a form consistent with this Resolution that the Borough Attorney approves; and

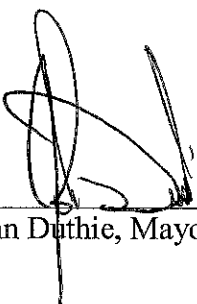
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the authorized fees and costs for services rendered are not to exceed the sum of \$100,000.00 in the aggregate without the prior written approval of the Mayor and Council; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED A copy of this resolution as well as the Contract shall be placed on file with the Clerk of the Borough of Roseland; and

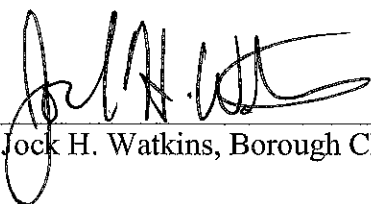
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the notice of this award will be advertised in the official newspapers of the Borough of Roseland and the Borough Clerk is directed to make public this Resolution in accordance with applicable law.

COUNCIL	MOTION	SECOND	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	RECUSE	ABSENT
Councilman Bardi		X	X				
Councilman Jacobs			X				
Councilman Leonard			X				
Councilman Smith	X		X				
Council President Tolli			X				
Councilman Tsilionis			X				
Mayor Duthie (In case of tie)							
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I do hereby certify that the forgoing is a true and exact copy of a Resolution adopted by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Roseland on February 20, 2018.



John Duthie, Mayor



Jock H. Watkins, Borough Clerk