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## A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NORTH BRUNSWICK CONFIRMING AN EMERGENCY AND THE PURCHASE OF REPLACEMENT VEHICLES UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

WHEREAS, Tropical Storm Ida impacted New Jersey on Wednesday, September 1, 2021, bringing severe weather conditions including strong winds, reports of tornadoes, and heavy and sustained rainfall which was forecasted to reach up to ten (10) inches in some areas; and

WHEREAS, the tropical storm caused severe damage to North Brunswick's municipal facilities, infrastructure and equipment which could endanger the community's health, safety, and welfare if not responded to in an immediate manner; and

WHEREAS, on Thursday, September 2, 2021, the Mayor for the Township declared a State of Emergency for the Township; and

WHEREAS, under the Department of Public Safety, several vehicles have been affected by the flooding at the Municipal Complex parking lot during Tropical Storm Ida (list attached hereto); and

WHEREAS, on Thursday, September 2, 2021 the Police Chief provided necessary information to open a loss claim with the Garden State Joint Insurance Fund; and

WHEREAS, maintaining the Department of Public Safety is a vital service and the immediate replacement said vehicles was determined necessary by the Police Chief who began connecting with dealerships to locate replacement vehicles and solicit proposals; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6 et seq. under the Local Public Contract Law, any contract may be negotiated or awarded for a contracting unit without public advertising for bids and bidding therefor, notwithstanding that the contract price will exceed the bid threshold, when an emergency affecting the public health, safety or welfare requires the immediate delivery of goods or the performance of services; and

WHEREAS, Caldwell County Chevrolet (with offices at 800 Highway 21E Caldwell, TX 77836) has provided a proposal in an amount not-to-exceed \$462,000.00 for the supply and delivery of ten (10) 2021 black Chevrolet Tahoes; and

WHEREAS, Caldwell County Chevrolet has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that Caldwell County Chevrolet has not made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the Township of North Brunswick in the previous one year, and that the contract will prohibit the Caldwell County Chevrolet from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract; and

**WHEREAS,** in addition, Caldwell County Chevrolet has completed and submitted a C.271 Political Contribution Disclosure Form pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.26 et seq.

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**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Township Council of the Township of North Brunswick does hereby confirm the emergency and the award of a contract made with Caldwell County Chevrolet in the amount of \$462,000.00 for the emergency supply and delivery of ten (10) 2021 black Chevrolet Tahoes.

## **CERTIFICATION**

I, Cavel Gallimore, Chief Financial Officer of the Township of North Brunswick, have certified that funds in the amount of \$300,000.00 are available in FY2022 Vehicle Maintenance OE budget account 2-01-26-315-00-185; funds in the amount of \$100,000.00 are available in FY2022 Police OE budget account 2-01-25-240-999-185; funds in the amount of \$19,377.90 are available in FY2021 Capital account C-04-55-C20-210-301; funds in the amount of \$42,622.10 are available in the Storm Reserves account D-33-56-850-005-001. Purchase Order #22-00754.

Cavel Gallimore Chief Financial Officer	Joseph A. Battaglia Police Chief		
Justine Progebin	Ronald Gordon, Esq.		
Business Administrator	Township Attorney		
	Approved as to legal form		

## **RECORDED VOTE:**

COUNCIL MEMBER	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	NOTES
MEHTA				
LOPEZ				
GUADAGNINO				
ANDREWS				
DAVIS				
SOCIO				
MAYOR WOMACK				

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was duly adopted by the Township Council of the Township of North Brunswick, County of Middlesex, at its meeting held on September 27, 2021.

Lisa Russo	
Township Clerk	