

**TOWNSHIP OF NORTH BRUNSWICK**  
**RESOLUTION 003-1.26**

**AUTHORIZING AWARD OF “NON-FAIR AND OPEN PROCESS” CONTRACT PURSUANT TO  
N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5 - 2026 NORTH BRUNSWICK TOWNSHIP PUBLIC DEFENDER**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of North Brunswick has a need to acquire Public Defender legal services for 2026 as a non-fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township of North Brunswick has determined and certified that the value of the services to be rendered will exceed \$17,500.00

**WHEREAS**, the anticipated term of said contract is for a period of one year and shall run from January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026; and

**WHEREAS**, James R. Shamy, Esq. has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that James R. Shamy, Esq. 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 James R. Shamy, Esq. from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract; and

**WHEREAS**, the Local Public Contracts Law, specifically, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1, et seq., requires that a resolution authorizing the award of contract for professional services and/or extraordinary unspecifiable services without competitive bids must be public advertised, the within contract being one for generally recognized professional and/or extraordinary unspecifiable services, as defined by statute.

**WHEREAS**, N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.4 requires certification of available funds when such information is known at time of award, but if not available no payment shall be made unless Chief Financial Officer certifies available funds at the time the obligation is to be paid but the estimated maximum value of the contract is revealed in the RFP on file with the Municipal Clerk.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Council of the Township of North Brunswick, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey does hereby award one (1) year contract to James R. Shamy, Esq for Public Defender for a term commencing January 1, 2026, and terminating December 31, 2026; and

**BE IT FURTHER, RESOLVED** that this contract is being awarded without competitive bids as a professional service under the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law, more specifically addressed in the body of this Resolution; and

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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that notice of this Resolution shall be published as required by law.

**CERTIFICATION OF FUNDS**

I, Cavel Gallimore, Chief Financial Officer, certify that funds in the amount of \$5,000.00 are available for this purpose in FY2026 budget account 6-01-43-495-000-181 and funds in the amount of \$10,000.00 are available in FY2026 budget account D-33-56-850-006-002 for services ending June 30, 2026. The balance of funds authorized shall be certified upon the appropriation of funds in FY2027.

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Cavel Gallimore, Chief Financial Officer

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Justine Progebin, Business Administrator

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Township Attorney  
Approved as to legal form