CITY COUNCIL

The City of Orange Township, New Jersey

DATE May 19, 2020

TITLE: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADDITIONAL ATTORNEY'S FEES TO CRITCHLEY, KINUM & DENOIA, LLC IN CONNECTION WITH MATTERS PERTAINING TO GOVERNMENTAL INQUIRIES AND INVESTIGATIONS REGARDING THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP AND ITS EMPLOYEES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED SIXTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$60,000.00) FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2020.

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 21-2017, Critchley, Kinum & Denoia, LLC, was appointed as special counsel to represent the City of Orange Township ("the City") in connection with matters pertaining to governmental inquires and investigations regarding the City of Orange Township; and

WHEREAS, additional funds are required for attorney's fees for the continued litigation.

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the City of Orange Township has prepared the necessary Certificate of Availability of Funds which certifies that funds are available in the Department of Law – Account No. 0-01-20-155-000-519.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Municipal Council of the City of Orange Township, that additional attorney's fees to Critchley, Kinum & Denoia, LLC, 75 Livingston Avenue, Roseland, N.J. 07068, is hereby approved in an amount not to exceed sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000.00).

Adopted:	
Joyce L. Lanier	Tency A. Eason
City Clerk	Council President

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CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP FINANCE DEPARTMENT

CERTIFICATION OF FUNDS NEXT BUDGET

I, Chief Financial Officer for the City of Orange Township, do hereby confirm that based on the Quote or RFP, RFQ, bid results or "extraordinary unspecifiable services" without competitive bids for 2020 service contract, and the resolution presented to the Council for approval, and contingent upon Council approval and inclusion of said item in the Tempoary Budget and adopted 2020 Budget, there will be sufficient funds to contract with:

Vendor Name: Critchley, Kinum & Denoia, LLC. Attorneys at Law

Address: 75 Livingston Ave.

City: Roseland State: New Jersey Zip Code: 07068

Purpose: Additional Attorney Fees

Vendor ID: CRITC010

Temporary Budget: \$ 20,000.00

Fund: Current Fund

Line Description LAW- City Attorney - Professional Services

Account Numbers(s): CY'20

0-01-20-155-000-519

The remainder of: \$

40,000.00

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Fund: Current Fund

Line Description LAW- City Attorney - Professional Services

Account Numbers(s): CY'20

0-01-20-155-000-519

'urchase Order Number: 20-00664

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Amount not to exceed:

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60,000.00

Division Head

Date

Chief Financial Officer

Date

CITY COUNCIL

The City of Orange Township, New Jersey

DATE January 17, 2017

NUMBER 21-2017

TITLE: A RESOLUTION RETAINING CRITCHLEY, KINUM & DENOIA, LLC, AS SPECIAL COUNSEL TO REPRESENT THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP IN CONNECTION WITH MATTERS PERTAINING TO GOVERNMENTAL INQUIRIES AND INVESTIGATIONS REGARDING THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP AND ITS EMPLOYEES

WHEREAS, the City of Orange Township (the "City") has been served with subpoenas and warrants seeking information related to ongoing governmental investigations; and

WHEREAS, the City, and its employees, may be subject to future inquiries related to such governmental investigations; and

WHEREAS, it is in the interest of the City to have competent legal counsel with the specialized expertise to advise the City and to protect its legal interests in connection with the ongoing governmental investigation and related inquiries; and

WHEREAS, Critchley, Kinum & Denoia, LLC (the "Critchley Firm") has the requisite expertise and standing in the legal community to effectively and professionally represent the interests of the City; and

WHEREAS, the Critchley Firm has agreed to reduce its normal hourly rate to serve the interests of the City as special counsel during the term of this representation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Critchley, Kinum & DeNoia, LLC, of 75 Livingston Ave, Roseland, New Jersey 07068, be and hereby is retained as special counsel to represent the interests of the City of Orange Township at the reduced hourly rate of \$350.00, in an amount not to exceed \$20,000.00 for a period commencing January 11, 2017.

Adopted: January 17, 2017

Joyce J. Lanier

Municipal Clerk

Donna K. Williams Council President

RESOLUTION NO. 21-2017

REGULAR MEETING – January 17, 2017

ON CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION TO ADOPT: Summers-Johnson:

Second: Eason

YEAS: Coley, Eason, Jackson, Summers-Johnson, Wooten, Johnson, Jr. & Williams

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None ABSENCES: None

CRITCHLEY, KINUM & DENOIA, LLC ATTORNEYS AT LAW

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January 13, 2017

Via e-mail

Eric Pennington, Esq. Orange City Hall 29 North Day Street Orange, New Jersey 07050

Re: In the Matter of the City of Orange

Dear Mr. Pennington:

We would like to thank you for agrecing to retain our law firm to represent the City of Orange in connection with the current investigation being conducted by the United States Attorney's Office for the District of New Jersey.

This Retainer Agreement sets forth the entire fee agreement between you and Critchley, Kinum & DeNoia, LLC.

You will be responsible for, and receive a statement for, all costs we incur on the City of Orange's behalf. These costs may include, but are not limited to, computer research charges, fees for experts and consultants, deposition and transcript charges, telecopy charges, photocopy charges, and overnight delivery charges. By this Retainer Agreement, you are appointing us as the City of Orange's agent to make the expenditures and retain, after consultation with you, such experts and consultants and compensate them in such amounts as we determine to be in your best interest. We may advance these costs, or we may, at our discretion, require you to deposit these costs with us before engaging experts or consultants or incurring expenses.

Our customary rates are as follows: \$750.00 per hour for Michael Critchley; \$600.00 per hour for all other partners; and \$450.00 per hour for associates. However, as a courtesy to the City of Orange, we agree to reduce our customary rates to \$350.00 per hour for all attorneys. You will receive an itemized invoice each month, which will reflect the amounts that we have billed as well as costs and expenses. We will require payment of the monthly invoice within thirty (30) days of receipt.

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Eric Pennington, Esq. City of Orange January 13, 2017 ¹ Page 2

You acknowledge that we have made no guarantees with respect to the outcome of this matter.

This Retainer Agreement can be modified only by a written document signed by all parties.

Please read this Retainer Agreement carefully. If you believe it fully and fairly sets forth the terms of our agreement for our services in this matter, please sign in the appropriate space below and return the signed original letter to me, keeping the enclosed copy for your records. (You will receive an executed duplicate original copy of the Retainer Agreement). In the event that you have any questions whatsoever concerning the terms of our agreement, do not sign the letter, but instead contact me so that we can discuss any questions that you have.

We are glad you have decided to retain us, and we look forward to working with you.

Very truly yours,

MICHAEL CRITCHLEY

I have read and understand the contents of this Retainer Agreement, and I agree to abide by its terms.

ERIC PENNINGTON, ESQ.
On behalf of the City of Orange

1/18/17