

CITY COUNCIL

The City of Orange Township, New Jersey

DATE December 3, 2024

NUMBER 536-2024

TITLE:

RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 213-2024 TO AUTHORIZE ADDITIONAL ATTORNEY FEES FOR HATFIELD/SCHWARTZ LAW GROUP LLC, TO REPRESENT CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP FOR SPECIAL COUNSEL IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$5,000.00 FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2024

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution 213-2024, adopted on April 2, 2024, Hatfield/Schwartz Law Group LLC was, and remains a law firm authorized to represent the City, its officers and employees; and

WHEREAS, the agreement referenced and authorized by Resolution No. 213-2024 was limited to an amount not to exceed \$17,500.00 as a condition of said authorization; and

WHEREAS, it has become apparent that the aggregate amount due under invoices submitted and/or anticipated to be submitted for the legal services to be provided under the agreement will exceed the Seventeen Thousand Five Hundred Dollar (\$17,500.00) limit imposed by Resolution No. 213-2024; and

WHEREAS, the City of Orange Township has a continuing need for representation with regard to the matters and issues already set forth in Resolution No. 213-2024; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the City of Orange Township has prepared the necessary Certificate of Availability of Funds, a copy of which is attached hereto certifying that funds are available for this purpose in Account No. 4-01-20-155-000-519.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Orange Township, that the Addendum to the Agreement between the City of Orange Township and Hatfield/Schwartz Law Group LLC, is hereby approved in an amount not to exceed \$5,000.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor Dwayne D. Warren, is hereby authorized and directed to execute the Addendum to the Agreement.

Adopted: December 3, 2024

Joyce Lanier, Municipal Clerk

Adrienne Wooten, Council President



CITY COUNCIL

The City of Orange Township, New Jersey

DATE April 2, 2024

NUMBER 213-2024

TITLE: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND AWARD OF A NON-FAIR AND OPEN CONTRACT TO HATFIELD & SCHWARTZ, LLC. FOR SPECIAL COUNSEL IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$17,500.00 FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2024

WHEREAS, the City of Orange Township has a need to retain Special Counsel to advise the City on labor and employment matters as a non-fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44-20.5; and

WHEREAS, such legal services are to be performed and rendered by a person or person licensed and authorized by law to practice such services, which constitute professional services exempt from public bidding by the Local Public Contracts Law; and

WHEREAS, the City of Orange Township has fully complied with the “non-fair and open” process set forth under N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.1 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, Hatfield & Schwartz, LLC has completed and submitted a “Contribution Statement by Professional Business Entity” as required by City of Orange Township; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the City of Orange Township has prepared the necessary Certificate of Availability of Funds, a copy of which is attached hereto certifying that funds will be available for this purpose in Account No. 4-01-20-155-000-519, contingent upon Council approval and inclusion of said item in the Temporary Budget and adopted 2024 Budget, there will be sufficient funds to contract Hatfield Schwartz, LLC.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP does hereby authorizes the Mayor and City Clerk to award a contract to Hatfield & Schwartz, LLC as Special Counsel through December 31, 2024 or until a successor is qualified and appointed.

Adopted: April 2, 2024

Joyce L. Lanier
City Clerk

Tency A. Eason
Council President



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CITY ATTORNEY

**CITY OF ORANGE
FINANCE DEPARTMENT**

**CERTIFICATION OF FUNDS
2024 ADOPTED BUDGET**

I, Nile Clements, Chief Financial Officer for the City of Orange, do hereby certify to the best of my knowledge and belief that there are sufficient funds to Contract with:

Vendor Name: Hatfield Schwartz Law Group

Address: 240 Cedar Knolls Road
Suite 303

City: Cedar Knolls

State: New Jersey

Zip Code: 07927

Purpose: Special Counsel, Labor Matters

Vendor ID: HATFI005

Fund: Current Fund

Account Name: LAW O&E - Professional Services

Account Numbers(s): 4-01-20-155-000-519

PO Number: 24-00874

Additional Amount: \$ 5,000.00

Division Head

Date

Nile Clements

11/27/2024

Chief Financial Officer

Date

**AMENDMENT TO CONTRACT
EXTENSION AGREEMENT**

THIS EXTENSION AGREEMENT is made this _____ day of _____, 2024 by and between the City of Orange Township, a municipal corporation of the State of New Jersey, having its principal office at 29 North Day Street, Orange, New Jersey 07050 (hereinafter referred to as "City") and Hatfield/Schwartz Law Group LLC, 240 Cedar Knolls Road, Suite 303, Cedar Knolls, New Jersey 07927 (hereinafter referred to as "Counsel");

It is mutually understood and agreed by and between the undersigned contracting parties to amend the previously executed Agreement as follows:

This Agreement shall be binding on the heirs, successors, and assigns of each party hereto. The term of this Agreement shall be for a period of one (1) year from the date of this Agreement and Hatfield/Schwartz Law Group LLC, shall continue to serve in all matters assigned to him/her as to this issue prior to the end of the term to their completion.

All other terms and conditions that are not hereby amended are to remain in full force and effect.

CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP

By: _____
Dwayne D. Warren, Esq., Mayor

ATTEST:

Joyce Lanier, Municipal Clerk

**HATFIELD/SCHWARTZ
LAW GROUP LLC**

By: _____
Hatfield Schwartz, LLC

ATTEST:

Approved as to form and sufficiency:

**Gracia Robert Montilus
City Attorney**