RESOLUTION NO. 11-2021 AWARD OF A FAIR AND OPEN CONTRACT SUZANNE M. BRENNAN, ESQ. ALTERNATE PUBLIC DEFENDER

Councilmember Booker Introduced and offered the following Resolution for its adoption; seconded by Councilmember Birdsall:

WHEREAS, the Borough is in need of an individual/firm to act as Alternate Public Defender to provide services that cannot be addressed by the Public Defender; and,

WHEREAS, while the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5 (1)(a) does not require competitive bidding for this position, it was nevertheless advertised pursuant to the fair and open process (N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5); and

WHEREAS, one proposal for Alternate Public Defender was received on December 4, 2020 and evaluated by the Governing Body with due consideration as to qualifications, experience, compensation and other factors and criteria; and

WHEREAS, the proposal received from Suzanne M. Brennan, Esq. is being considered for the term of one year commencing January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021 at the rate of \$300.00 per assignment; and

CERTIFICATION OF FUNDS

I, Michael J. Bascom, Chief Financial Officer, hereby certify that based on the amount of funds expended in the prior year for these services, it is estimated that the total 2021 appropriation for this contract will not exceed \$5,000.00, subject to unforeseen decreases or increases in litigation and other legal matters. Funds will be provided for the first three months of 2021 in the 2021 Temporary Budget and funds for the balance of 2021 will be provided in the Budget for the year 2021, when finally adopted, in the appropriation entitled Court #21-01-43-490-000.

MICHAEL J. BASCOM, CFO

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough Council of the Borough of Sea Bright, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, does hereby award a professional services contract to **Suzanne M. Brennan, Esq.** to serve as the Alternate Public Defender for the year 2021; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute an agreement for the provision of such professional services, a copy of which shall be maintained by the Borough Clerk; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized to advertise this award of contract according to law in the local newspaper and is further authorized to forward a certified copy of this resolution to the following:

- Suzanne M. Brennan, Esq.
- Finance Manager
- 3. Certified Court Administrator

Roll Call: Birdsall, Booker, Catalano, Keeler, Lamia, Leckstein Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes

January 2, 2021

CERTIFICATION

I, Christine Pfeiffer, Borough Clerk do hereby certify that the foregoing is a Resolution adopted by the Borough Council of the Borough of Sea Bright, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, at a Council meeting held on January 2, 2021

Christine Pfeiffer, Borough Clerk