CITY OF CAMDEN REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY RESOLUTION SUMMARY

Brownfields/Economic Development

Resolution No.: 05-12-21D

Resolution Title:

Resolution Authorizing an Amendment to a Professional Services Agreement with Greenbaum Rowe Smith & Davis, LLP in Connection with the Sale of Certain Property Designated as Block 955, Lots 6, 9, 10 and 16 of the City of Camden Tax Map

Project Summary:

- CRA by way of Resolutions 12-11-19A and 12-11-19B is serving as the City of Camden's agent to acquire four (4) privately-owned vacant, unimproved parcels in connection with the expansion of the Camden Charter School Network's school facilities in the City of Camden's Cramer Hill Neighborhood.
- CRA is authorized to proceed to acquire Block 955, Lots 6, 9, 10 and 16 under the City's statutory authority to exercise eminent domain in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A: 12-3 and N.J.S.A. 20:3-1 to -50 and acquire these lots should the private property owners be unavailable or good faith negotiations unsuccessful.
- CRA entered into a professional service agreement dated April 16, 2020 with Greenbaum Rowe Smith & Davis, LLP to provide legal services in connection with the negotiation of the cost agreement and redevelopment agreement for the sale of the properties to the Camden Charter School Network.
- A Cost Agreement was executed with the Camden Charter School dated March 31, 2021. However, additional time is necessary to conclude the Redevelopment Agreement negotiations.

Purpose of Resolution:

To authorize the amendment to extend the term of a professional services agreement

Award Process:

Greenbaum Rowe Smith and Davis LLP is on the CRA's current Pre-Qualified List of Attorneys

Cost Not to Exceed:

Costs not to exceed \$18,000.00

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WHEREAS, the City of Camden Redevelopment Agency (CRA) is charged with the duty of redevelopment throughout the City of Camden; and

WHEREAS, the CRA by way of Resolutions 12-11-19A and 12-11-19B is serving as the City of Camden's agent to acquire four (4) privately-owned vacant, unimproved parcels in connection with the expansion of the Camden Charter School Network's school facilities in the City of Camden's Cramer Hill Neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, CRA, is authorized to proceed to acquire Block 955, Lots 6, 9, 10 and 16 under the City's statutory authority to exercise eminent domain in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A: 12-3 and N.J.S.A. 20:3-1 to -50 if the private property owners are unavailable and good faith negotiations cannot be had or are unsuccessful; and

WHEREAS, CRA by Resolution 03-11-20D entered into a professional service agreement dated April 16, 2020 with Greenbaum Rowe Smith & Davis, LLP to provide legal services in connection with the negotiation of the cost agreement and redevelopment agreement for the sale of the properties to the Camden Charter School Network; and

WHEREAS, a Cost Agreement dated March 31, 2021 has been executed between the CRA and Camden Charter School Network additional time is necessary conclude the negotiations of the Redevelopment Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the governing body of the City of Camden Redevelopment Agency, that the Interim Executive Director, a duly authorized representative of the Agency, is hereby authorized and directed to execute an amendment to a professional services agreement with Greenbaum Rowe Smith & Davis, LLP dated April 16, 2020 in connection with the negotiation of agreements with the Camden Charter School Network to extend the term of the Agreement for an additional period of one year for an amount not to exceed \$18,000.00, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Interim Executive Director, or her designee, is hereby authorized and directed to take all actions and execute all documents necessary to carry out the purposes of this resolution.

05-12-21D (cont'd)

ON MOTION OF: Ian K. Leonard

SECONDED BY: Jose Javier Ramos

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ATTEST:

Olivette Simpson Interim Executive Director

The above has been reviewed and approved as to form.

Mark P. Asselta

Mark P. Asselta, Esq. Board Counsel