

R-68-12

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT FOR
PROFESSIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANT SERVICES**

WHEREAS, there exists a need for certain professional environmental consultant services for the preparation of an expert report in connection with litigation entitled Costa Perchem v. Township of Washington et al, Docket No. MRS-L-1197-PW; and

WHEREAS, the Township would like to retain the services of Dr. Jeffrey K. Keller of Habitat by Design, LLC to provide the environmental consultant services; and

WHEREAS, the maximum amount of this contract is not to exceed \$5,120.00; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available for this purpose; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requires that the Resolution authorizing the award of contracts for "professional services" without competitive bids and the contract itself must be available for public inspection.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Washington, County of Morris, and State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The Township Committee hereby authorizes execution by the Mayor and Township Clerk of a professional services agreement with Dr. Jeffrey K. Keller of Habitat by Design, LLC to provide environmental consultant services for the preparation of an expert report in connection with litigation entitled Costa Perchem v. Township of Washington et al, Docket No. MRS-L-1197-PW.

2. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a "professional service" in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a) of the Local Public Contracts Law because said services are exempt from the provisions of the bidding statutes in that they are services rendered or performed by a person authorized by law to practice a recognized profession and are services which require knowledge of an advanced type in a field of learning acquired by a prolonged course of specialized instruction as distinguished from general academic instruction or apprenticeship and training.

3. A Notice of this action shall be printed once in the Observer Tribune according to law.

ATTEST:

**TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON**

Deborah A. Burd, Acting Township Clerk

Kenneth W. Short, Mayor

I, Deborah A. Burd, Acting Township Clerk, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted at a meeting of the Township Committee held on May 21, 2012.

Deborah A. Burd, Acting Township Clerk

Date

NOTICE OF CONTRACT AWARDED

The Township of Washington has awarded a contract without competitive bidding as a professional service pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1) (a). This contract and the resolution authorizing it are available for public inspection in the office of the Municipal Clerk.

Awarded to: Dr. Jeffrey K. Keller of Habitat by Design, LLC

Services: Professional environmental consulting services

Cost: Not to exceed \$5,120.00