

**RES. 19/2026**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A NON-FAIR AND OPEN CONTRACT FOR BOND COUNSEL**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Middletown Sewerage Authority has a need to acquire a bond counsel as a non-fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5; and

**WHEREAS**, the Executive Director has determined and certified in writing that the value of the acquisition will exceed \$17,500; and

**WHEREAS**, the anticipated term of this contract is 1 year; and

**WHEREAS**, Gibbons P.C. has submitted a proposal on January 27<sup>th</sup>, 2026, indicating they will provide bond counseling services for the amount submitted in the proposal, which is attached hereto and made apart hereof; and

**WHEREAS**, Gibbons P.C. has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that Gibbon P.C. has not made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the Township of Middletown or Township of Middletown Sewerage Authority in the previous one year, and that the contract will prohibit Gibbons P.C. from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract; and

**WHEREAS**, funds are available for this purpose, and the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40: 11-1 et.seq.) requires that the Resolution authorizing this award of contract without competitive bidding must be publicly advertised; and

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Township of Middletown Sewerage Authority authorizes the Executive Director and/or Chairman to enter into a contract with Gibbons P.C. as described herein; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the Determination of Value be placed on file with this resolution; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of the Resolution shall be published in the official newspaper of the Authority as required by Law within ten (10) days of its passage.

Commissioner	Motion		Recorded Vote			
	1st	2nd	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Rogers	X		X			
Eteson						X
Weikel		X	X			
Iannaci			X			
Schweizer			X			
Skelly (Alt)			X			
Ricca (Alt)						

I, Paul Thomson, Executive Director of the Township of Middletown Sewerage Authority, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Authority at a meeting of the Authority held on February 17, 2026

  
Executive Director