

**BOROUGH OF LONGPORT**  
**Atlantic County - New Jersey**  
**Resolution 2016-129**

**AUTHORIZING A CHANGE ORDER TO A NON FAIR AND OPEN PROFESSIONAL SERVICES  
CONTRACT FOR SPECIAL LITIGATION COUNSEL**

**WHEREAS**, on Oct 21, 2015 per Resolution 2015-99, the Borough of Longport awarded a Professional Services Contract to **Robert P. Merenich, Esquire of Gemmel, Todd & Merenich, P.A.** for Special Litigation Counsel.

**WHEREAS**, due to the extent of the work required as Special Litigation Counsel, the amount was increased by \$20,000 as per Resolution 2016-76 with an amount not to exceed \$40,000; and

**WHEREAS**, it is anticipated that an increase of \$18,000.00 will cover the expenses of the additional work requiring the services of a Special Litigation Counsel; and

**WHEREAS, Gemmel, Todd & Merenich, P.A.** has previously completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification for this Project which certifies that **Gemmel, Todd & Merenich, P.A** have not made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the Borough of Longport within the previous one year and, further, that this Contract will prohibit **Gemmel, Todd & Merenich, P.A** from making any reportable contributions through the term of this Contract; and

**WHEREAS**, this Resolution in conjunction with other awards to **Gemmel, Todd & Merenich, P.A** within a calendar year does exceed \$17,500.00; and

**WHEREAS**, a Certificate of Availability of Funds has been issued by the Municipal Chief Financial Officer and is attached to this Resolution.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Governing Body of the Borough of Longport that it hereby approves a Change Order of \$18,000.00 to the original Contract for **Gemmel, Todd & Merenich, P.A** for the providing Special Litigation Counsel bringing the total amount to \$58,000.00

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a Notice of this Professional Services Change Order shall be published at least once in the Atlantic City Press pursuant to the requirements of Chapter 198 of the New Jersey Laws of 1971.

RECORD OF GOVERNING BODY VOTE ON FINAL PASSAGE						
COMMISSION	AYE	NAY	N.V	A.B.	MOT.	SEC.
RUSSO	XX				XX	
LEEDS	XX					XX
LAWLER	XX					
X-Indicates Vote      NV-Not Voting      AB-Absent      MOT-Motion      SEC-Second						

This is a Certified True copy of the Original Resolution on file in the Municipal Clerk's Office.

**DATE OF ADOPTION:**      10-19-2016

/s/ EMILIA R. STRAWDER, RMC