CITY OF CAMDEN REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY RESOLUTION SUMMARY

Economic Development / Brownfields

Resolution No.: 12-09-15D

Resolution Title:

Resolution Authorizing a Professional Services Agreement with DeCotiis, FitzPatrick & Cole, LLP to Provide Legal Services in Connection with the Development of a Solar Electrical Generating Facility at the Former Harrison Avenue Landfill on an Hourly Rate Basis

Project Summary:

DeCotis, FitzPatrick & Cole, LLP has extensive experience in assisting public sector entities with the legal aspects of renewable energy. The legal services that they would provide to the CRA would include:

- Assistance in the selection of an engineer to conduct the feasibility study.
- Assistance with the development of the feasibility study.
- Development and administration of an RFP to solicit a solar developer.
- Assistance in the evaluation of the proposals.
- Development of contracts and agreements, including the Power Purchase Agreement and the commercial lease.

Purpose of Resolution:

To authorize a professional service contract

Award Process:

The CRA solicited a proposal from its Pre-Qualified List of Law Firms

Cost Not To Exceed:

\$39,360.00

Total Project Cost:

N/A

Source of Funds:

Proposed expense under the USEPA Harrison Avenue Landfill Brownfields Cleanup Grant

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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 intends to redevelop that portion of the Harrison Avenue Landfill outside of the Kroc Community Project Area (the "Balance of the Harrison Avenue Landfill "), which is designated as Block 809, Lot 7 on the City of Camden Tax Map as a solar power generating facility ("Solar Field"); and

WHEREAS, the CRA in order to procure these services issued a "Request for Pricing for Legal Services in Connection with the Development of a Solar Electrical Generating Facility at the Former Harrison Avenue Landfill", dated November 9, 2015, to DeCotiis, FitzPatrick & Cole, LLP, ("DeCotiis") a law firm on the current list of Pre-Qualified Law Firms; and

WHEREAS, DeCotiis provided the CRA with a "Proposal for Special Counsel Services", dated November 11, 2015, and the CRA has determined that DeCotiis is qualified to provide the services and that the rates proposed are reasonable.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the governing body of the City of Camden Redevelopment Agency that the Executive Director of the Agency, a duly authorized representative of the Agency is hereby authorized to enter into a professional services agreement with DeCotiis, FitzPatrick & Cole, LLP to provide legal services in connection with the development of a solar power generating facility at the Former Harrison Avenue Landfill on an hourly rate basis for a total amount not to exceed \$39,360.00; and

BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED, that the Executive Director, or her designee, subject to the approval of this expense by the US Environmental Protection Agency under the Harrison Avenue Landfill Brownfields Cleanup Grant, is hereby authorized and directed to take all actions and execute all documents necessary to carry out the purposes of this resolution.

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ON MOTION OF: Jose J. Ramos

SECONDED BY:

Vance Bowman

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Executive Director

The above has been reviewed and approved as to form.

Mark P. Asselta, Esq. Board Counsel