RESOLUTION 2024-218

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, ACCEPTING THE BID AND AWARDING THE CONTRACT FOR THE PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION SERVICES BETWEEN 522 SOUTHERN BOULEVARD AND MADISON TRAIN STATION PROJECT TO BOXCAR, INC. IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LOCAL PUBLIC CONTRACTS LAW

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of Chatham (the "Township") adopted Resolution No. 2024-099 on March 26, 2024 authorizing the Township to publicly seek bids for public transportation services between 522 Southern Boulevard and the Madison Train Station (the "Services"); and

WHEREAS, the Township received one bid on September 4, 2024 from Boxcar, Inc, 14 Fairmount Avenue, Chatham, New Jersey, for the Services in the amount of Four Dollars Ninety-Nine Cents (\$4.99) per rider and an annual contribution by the Township in the amount of Seventy-Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$72,500); and

WHEREAS, the Township Attorney reviewed the bid received and recommended rejection of the bid in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law (the "LPCL"), N.J.S.A. 40A:11-23.2, for failure to include a consent of surety as required by the bid specifications, which is a mandatory document and failure to provide it is a fatal defect in the bid; and

WHEREAS, on September 24, 2024, the Mayor and Township Committee adopted Resolution No. 2024-194, rejecting the bids received on September 4, 2024 and authorizing the Township to re-bid for the Services; and

WHEREAS, in response to the rebid, on October 29, 2024, the Township received one (1) bid, from Boxcar, Inc ("Boxcar"), 14 Fairmount Avenue, Chatham, New Jersey, for the Services in the amount of Four Dollars Ninety-Nine Cents (\$4.99) per rider and an annual contribution by the Township in the amount of Seventy-Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$77,500); and

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer recommends awarding the contract for the Services to Boxcar as the only responsive and responsible bidder in the total amount of Four Dollars Ninety-Nine Cents (\$4.99) per rider and an annual contribution by the Township in the amount of Seventy-Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$77,500) (hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Contract Amount"); and

WHEREAS, the Township Chief Financial Officer has certified the availability of funds for the Contract Amount; and

WHEREAS, the Township desires to adopt this Resolution authorizing the award of the contract for the Services to Boxcar.

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

- 1. The foregoing recitals are hereby incorporated herein by reference as if set forth at length.
- 2. The contract for the Services is hereby awarded to Boxcar located in Chatham, New Jersey, in the amount of Four Dollars Ninety-Nine Cents (\$4.99) per rider and an annual contribution by the Township in the amount of Seventy-Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$77,500). The Mayor, Township Administrator, Township Clerk and all other necessary Township personnel, are hereby directed and authorized to enter into a contract with Boxcar for the Services, and to in all other ways carry out and effectuate the purposes thereof.
- 3. This Resolution shall be effective immediately.

Adopted: November 12, 2024

TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS

Attest:

Gregory J. Laconte, Clerk

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Stacey Ewald, Mayor

CERTIFICATION OF THE AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

I hereby certify that as of November 12, 2024, sufficient funds are or will be available in the 2024 Budget and upon adoption of the 2025 Budget available to carry out the purpose of this Resolution.

Debra A. King

Chief Financial Officer