

RESOLUTION 2025-021

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM INCREASING BID THRESHOLD PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3(A) TO \$44,000 AND CONTINUE THE APPOINTMENT OF DEBRA KING AS THE TOWNSHIP'S QUALIFIED PURCHASING AGENT**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3(a), the threshold at which contracts as defined pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., must be subject to competitive bidding if they are in excess of the amount designated by the Governor of New Jersey pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3(c); and

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3(c) permits the Governor of New Jersey to adjust the bid threshold, originally set by statute at \$25,000 for municipalities with a designated Qualified Purchasing Agent (QPA), in an amount proportional to the index rate as defined in N.J.S.A. 40A:11-2 every five (5) years from the date of the effective date of P.L. 1999, c.440;

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to order of the Governor of New Jersey, the bid threshold for municipalities with a licensed QPA shall increase from \$40,000 to \$44,000 on July 1, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, Debra King was appointed Qualified Purchasing Agent on January 2, 2020 by Resolution 2020-035 and granted the authorization to negotiate and award such contracts below the bid threshold; and

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3(a) requires that contracts below the bid threshold may be awarded by a purchasing agent or other employee so designated by the governing body by resolution, and such powers may be generally delegated to the purchasing agent; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Chatham desires to take advantage of the increased bid threshold which was enacted to increase efficiency and adjust for changes in purchasing and business dynamics, and the Township of Chatham further wishes to confirm the statutory general delegation of this purchasing power to Debra King as the Township's duly appointed QPA.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham, in the County of Morris, in the State of New Jersey, hereby increases its bid threshold to \$44,000.00; and

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham that Debra King is hereby re-appointed as the purchasing agent authorized to exercise the contracting power granted pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:34-5.2 the Township Clerk is hereby authorized to forward a certified copy of this resolution and a copy of Debra King's certifications to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

Adopted: January 7, 2025

TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM IN  
THE COUNTY OF MORRIS

Attest:

  
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Gregory J. LaConte, Clerk

By   
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Michael Choi, Mayor

I, Gregory J. LaConte, Township Clerk of the Township of Chatham in the County of Morris, New Jersey, hereby certify the foregoing to be a true complete copy of a resolution adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham at a regular meeting held on January 7, 2025.

Date Issued: January 8, 2025

  
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Township Clerk