RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF GLOUCESTER CITY County of Camden, State of New Jersey #R Dip 3 -2021

RESOLUTION DECLARING AN EMERGENCY CONDITION IN AND ALONG CHARLES STREET, SPECIFICALLY A LARGE SINKHOLE CREATING A PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY HAZARD AND WARRANTING THE DECLARATION OF AN EMERGENCY IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6

WHEREAS, the City of Gloucester City ("City") is the owner of the Charles Street and the sanitary brick sewer thereunder; and

WHEREAS, a large sinkhole has developed on Charles Street due to the failure of the existing brick sewer within Charles Street; and

WHEREAS, further inspection has revealed that the remaining existing brick sewer within Charles Street between 7th and Water Streets appear to be close to a similar point of failure and is likewise in need of immediate repair; and

WHEREAS, failure to take immediate and emergent action will result in a health and safety hazard; and

WHEREAS, Timothy R. Staszewski, P.E. has issued a written e-mail dated March 18, 2021, outlining the nature of the emergency and need for immediate action; and

WHEREAS, the Acting Administrator, Chief Brian Morrell, has concurred that an emergency exists which could only be corrected by swift and immediate action through an emergency repair; and

WHEREAS, this emergency was not reasonably foreseeable by the City; and

WHEREAS, the authorization to complete the required repair work was limited to meet immediate needs; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to expend funds for the emergency repair services, and said funds are available and have been certified by the City; and

WHEREAS, the City Solicitor has rendered an opinion that the award of an emergency contract to ameliorate the emergency condition is permitted by law as an exception to the Local Public Contracts Law in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Common Council of the City is satisfied that an emergency existed; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Gloucester City. County of Camden and State of New Jersey as follows:

- 1. The provisions of the **WHEREAS** clauses set forth above are incorporated herein by reference and made a part hereof.
- 2. The expenditure of funds is authorized without competitive bidding in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6 which permits emergency repair services for the reasons expressly set forth in the preamble of this Resolution.
- 3. The expenditure authorized herein shall not exceed the amount necessary to effectuate the immediate repair.
- 4. The City's staff and/or consultants are directed to process any purchase orders, vouchers, or other appropriate documentation to effectuate the expenditure of funds authorized herein.
- 5. The Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available for said purpose.

Daniel T. Spencer, Jr., Mayor

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify this is a true and exact copy of a Resolution adopted by the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Gloucester this 25th day of March, 2021.

Vanessa L. Parent, Registered City Clerk