

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF GLOUCESTER CITY**  
**County of Camden, State of New Jersey**  
**R# 161 -2020**

**APPROVAL FOR A CONFLICT OF INTEREST EXCEPTION PER SECTION 570.611 OF THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS**

**WHEREAS**, Gloucester City participates in the administration and receipt of Small Cities Rehabilitation Program grants known as Community Development Block Grants (“CDBG”); and

**WHEREAS**, by Resolution #R127-2020, adopted **July 23, 2020**, City Council awarded a contract to Triad Associates under the terms of which Triad, among other services, coordinates and administers governmental grant programs in which the City of **Gloucester City** participates; and

**WHEREAS**, one of the grant programs that Triad administers is the aforementioned Small Cities Rehabilitation Program; and

**WHEREAS**, the Small Cities Rehabilitation Program is available to members of the public; and

**WHEREAS**, **an applicant, a relative of one member of council** of the public who applied for a Small Cities Rehabilitation Program grant is **Mary Hagan-Cogill**; and

**WHEREAS**, **James Johnson** is a **Councilman** for the City of **Gloucester City**; and

**WHEREAS**, the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development Regulations that are applicable to the Small Cities Rehabilitation Program – specifically §570.611- indicate that certain persons, by reason of a conflict of interest, generally are prohibited from receiving Small Cities Rehabilitation Program funds; and

**WHEREAS**, §570.611 defines any person who is an employee, agent, consultant, officer, or elected official or appointed official of the recipient, or of any designated public agencies, or of subrecipients that are receiving funds as having a conflict of interest; and

**WHEREAS**, §570.611 provides that, upon application to the appropriate federal and/or state governmental entities, exceptions to the conflict of interest provisions may be made on a case-by-case basis; and

**WHEREAS**, §570.611 further provides that application for exceptions only will be made after there has been public disclosure of the conflict of interest and an opinion from the municipal counsel has been made that the interests for which the exception is sought would not violate State or local law; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Gloucester City is in receipt of the required legal opinion from the City Solicitor (copy annexed as Exhibit “A”); and

**WHEREAS**, public disclosure of the conflict of interest has been made by way of publication in the **Gloucester City News** of a notice regarding same on **August 13, 2020** (See Affidavit of Publication annexed as Exhibit “B”) and by adoption of this Resolution;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Members of Council of the City of **Gloucester City**, in the County of **Camden** and State of New Jersey as follows:

- 1) All of the statements of the preamble are incorporated herein by this reference thereto as through the same were set forth at length.
- 2) The Mayor, City Administrator and City Clerk be and they hereby are authorized to take such actions as are necessary and proper to effectuate the purpose and intent of this resolution including, but not limited to, execution of documents on behalf of the Gloucester City as requested by Triad Associates.

OFFERED BY: Hutchinson

SECONDED BY: Baile

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I, **VANESSA L. PARENT**, City Clerk of the City of **Gloucester City**, in the County of **Camden**, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a correct and true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Mayor and Council of the City of **Gloucester City** at a meeting duly held on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2020

Dated: 8/27/2020

Signed: Vanessa L. Parent  
**Vanessa L. Parent, City Clerk**

APPROVED: Daniel T. Spencer  
**Daniel T. Spencer, Mayor**