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Date: Feb 10, 2026 - 5:30 PM

Agenda: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AWARD OF CONTRACT TO EMPIRE ENVIRONMENTAL, LTD TO CONDUCT AIR MONITORING AND COLLECT LABORATORY SAMPLES FOR REMEDIATION OF THE MAINTENANCE GARAGE AT GOFFLE BROOK PARK IN THE BOROUGH OF HAWTHORNE, RFQ-26-011, PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5, ET SEQ.

THIS RESOLUTION WAS REQUESTED BY:
PARKS & RECREATION

REVIEWED BY:

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APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

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Public Works

COMMITTEE NAME

Official Resolution#	
Meeting Date	2/10/2026
Introduced Date	2/3/2026
Adopted Date	
Agenda Item	35.
CAF#	O-25-56-641-001-603
Purchase Req. #	
Result	

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WHEREAS, the County of Passaic (hereafter “County”) is a government body incorporated pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:18-1, et seq. and vested with all rights contained therein; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:20-1 the Passaic Board of County Commissioners (hereafter “Board”) is vested with decision making powers on behalf of the County; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5, et seq., any contract the amount of which exceeds the bid threshold, may be negotiated and awarded by the governing body without public advertising for bids and bidding therefor and shall be awarded by resolution of the governing body if, the subject matter consists of professional services; and

WHEREAS, on August 14, 2025, the County issued RFQ-26-011, Engineering, Architects, Land Surveyors, Planners, Landscape Architects, and Environmental Health Safety/Engineering Consultants (hereafter “RFQ-26-011”) seeking qualifications for a pool of consultants for the calendar year 2026, to be hired on as-needed basis to provide professional services to the County; and

WHEREAS, on October 28, 2025, the Board passed Resolution No. R-25-1038, qualifying a pool of engineers, architects, land surveyors, planners, landscape architects, and environmental health and safety engineers for calendar year 2026, as recommended by the Passaic County Engineer, to be hired on as-needed basis, which included Empire Environmental, LTD; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4, the County’s request for qualifications is a fair and open process, specifically, the qualification for the pool of engineers, architects, land surveyors, planners, landscape architects, and environmental health and safety engineers for calendar year 2026 is publicly advertised, awarded under a process that provides for public solicitation of qualifications, established the basis of an award and disclosure process documented in writing prior to any solicitation, and is publicly opened and announced when awarded; and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Department of Parks & Recreation is seeking a contractor to conduct air monitoring and laboratory analysis of samples from the maintenance garage at Goffle Brook Park in the Borough of Hawthorne; and

WHEREAS, Empire Environmental, LTD, provided a quote to the Director of the Department of Parks & Recreation to conduct air monitoring and laboratory analysis of samples from the maintenance garage at Goffle Brook Park in the Borough of Hawthorne in an amount not to exceed nine thousand four hundred fifty dollars (\$9,450.00), which is recommended for approval by the Director of the Department of Parks & Recreation; and

WHEREAS, funds are available in Account No. O-25-56-641-001-603 or any other account that may be deemed appropriate by the Chief Financial Officer or his designee, and the availability of funds has been contingently certified by the Chief Financial Officer subject to sufficient funds being appropriated by the Board in the 2026 and/or subsequent years’ County budget(s), which is attached to and made part of this Resolution; and

WHEREAS, the matter was discussed at the January 28, 2026 meeting of the Public Works Committee and is being recommended to the Board for approval.

NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5, et seq. the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Passaic hereby authorizes an award of contract to Empire Environmental, LTD to conduct air monitoring and laboratory analysis of samples from the maintenance garage at Goffle Brook Park in the Borough of Hawthorne in an amount not to exceed nine thousand four hundred fifty dollars (\$9,450.00), as recommended by the Director of the Department of Parks & Recreation.

LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED, the Clerk to the Board shall print, in the official newspaper, a brief notice stating the nature, duration, service, and amount of the contract to Empire

Environmental, LTD, and maintain a copy of the resolution on file and available for public inspection in the Office of the Clerk to the Board.

LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Board, Chief Financial Officer, County Counsel, County Engineer, and Director of the Board are authorized to take any other steps necessary to carry out the purpose of this resolution.

KJB

February 10, 2026