## **RESOLUTION NO. 2021 - 193**

## RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN THE NATIONAL COOPERATIVE CONTRACT WITH OMNIA PARTNERS (FORMERLY U.S. COMMUNITIES)

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 52:34-6.2(b)(3), was enacted into law permitting agencies to use national purchasing cooperatives for the purchase of goods, or to contract for services, through the use of a nationally recognized and accepted cooperative purchase agreement that has been developed utilizing a competitive bidding process by another contracting unit within the State of New Jersey, or within any other state, when available; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Willingboro desires to participate in National Cooperative Contracts established by Omnia Partners (formerly US Communities) in order to effect substantial economies in the purchase of materials, supplies and services; and

WHEREAS, Omnia Partners has contracted with various vendors for various contracts; and

WHEREAS, it is the Township's intent to utilize these contracts on an as needed basis; and

WHEREAS, the Township may enter into contractual agreements with Omnia Partners through this resolution and properly executed contracts/purchase orders, which shall be subject to all the conditions applicable to the current New Jersey Local State Public Contracts Law; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, on this 23rd day of November 2021 in open public session that the governing body does hereby authorize the Township of Willingboro to purchase goods or services from all approved Omnia Partners vendors pursuant to all conditions of the individual contracts and in compliance with New Jersey State Public Contracts Law; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That the governing body pursuant to <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 5:30-5.5(b), the certification of available funds, shall either certify the full maximum amount against the budget at the time the contract is awarded, or no contract amount shall be chargeable or certified until such time as the goods or services are ordered or otherwise called for prior to placing the order, and a certification of availability of funds is made by the Chief Finance Officer; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the duration of the contracts between the Township of Willingboro and the referenced Omnia Partners shall be for the time period awarded for each approved Omnia Partners vendor's contract.

Councilmember	Motioned	Seconded	Yea	Nay	Recuse	Abstain	Absent
Councilman Anderson							X
Councilwoman Perrone		X	X				
Councilwoman Whitfield							X
Deputy Mayor McIntosh			X				11
Mayor Worthy	X		X				

Attest:

Brenda Bligen, M

Acting Township Clerk

Dr. Tiffani Worthy

Mayor