

**RESOLUTION #260-2020**  
**AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF HEARING OFFICER**  
**RAYMOND A. BATTEN, J.S.C. RETIRED OF ARCHER AND GREINER, PC**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners of the City of Margate, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey has determined it has a need for a Hearing Officer to preside over City of Margate City employee disciplinary hearings and other employment related matters; and

**WHEREAS**, Raymond A. Batten, J.S.C., Retired, of counsel to the law firm of Archer and Greiner PC, One Centennial Square, Haddonfield, NJ 08033 has demonstrated that he has the necessary experience and qualifications to perform the services of Hearing Officer and preside over City of Margate City employee disciplinary hearings; and

**WHEREAS**, this contract is awarded without competitive bidding because it is a Professional Services Contract and is an exception to the Local Public Contracts Law N.J.S.A. 40:11A-5 (1) (a) (i); and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer has certified to the City Commissioners that there are sufficient funds available under Legal - Labor 1-01-20-155-256, in an amount not to exceed \$17,500.00.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** the Board of Commissioners of the City of Margate City hereby authorizes to execute and the City Clerk to attest to a contract in an amount not to exceed \$17,500.00 between the City of Margate City and Raymond A. Batten, J.S.C. Retired, of Archer and Greiner PC, One Centennial Square, Haddonfield, NJ for the performance of Hearing Officer for City of Margate City employee disciplinary matters and other employment related matters. Services shall be billed at the rate of \$325.00 per hour.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the following:

1. Matthew Hankinson, Chief of Police
2. Lisa McLaughlin, Chief Financial Officer
3. Raymond A. Batten, J.S.C. Retired, Archer and Greiner PC, One Centennial Square, Haddonfield, NJ

ROLL CALL:

| NAME     | MOTION | SECOND | YES | NO | ABSTAIN | ABSENT |
|----------|--------|--------|-----|----|---------|--------|
| Becker   | X      |        | X   |    |         |        |
| Amodeo   |        |        | X   |    |         |        |
| Blumberg |        | X      | X   |    |         |        |

DATE: December 17, 2020

**CERTIFICATION**

I, Johanna Casey, Clerk of Margate City, Atlantic County, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Commissioners of the City of Margate City at a meeting of said Commission held on December 17, 2020 and said resolution was adopted by not less than a two-thirds vote of the members of the Commission.

  
Johanna Casey, RMC, City Clerk