

#26-274

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AWARDING A CONTRACT TO AND AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF TAYLOR DESIGN GROUP INC. AS A AS NEEDED LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT, PURSUANT TO AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 ET SEQ.**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Manchester has received proposals in accordance with N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq. for professional services; and,

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5 et seq. provides the procedure for soliciting proposals through a “fair and open process”; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Township Council of the Township of Manchester has elected to select and appoint its professionals through the “fair and open process”; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Township Council desires to appoint Taylor Design Group Inc., as a as needed Landscape Architect; and,

**WHEREAS**, the “New Jersey Local Unit Pay to Play” Law, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et. seq., requires that the resolution authorizing the award of a contract for "Professional Services" and the contract itself must be made available for public inspection; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available in the year 2026 temporary budget and will be available in the final budget when adopted under:

**As Needed Landscape Architect; and,**

**WHEREAS**, the amount of the contract to be awarded under this resolution shall not exceed the amount set forth in the 2026 budget; and,

**WHEREAS**, Taylor Design Group Inc. has submitted a proposal in accordance with the “Pay to Play” Law; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Township Council is satisfied with the terms of the proposed form of contract aforesaid.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Manchester, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. That Taylor Design Group Inc is hereby appointed as needed Landscape Architect for a term commencing June 8, 2026 and ending December 31, 2026.
2. That the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute and the Township Clerk to attest to an agreement.
3. That the contract to be entered into is awarded through the “fair and open

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process” as a "Professional Service" in accordance with N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 of the Pay to Play Law.

4. That a notice of this action shall be printed once in the official newspaper of the Township of Manchester.

5. That this resolution shall take effect June 8, 2026.

6. That the Township Clerk shall forward a certified copy of this Resolution to the following:

- A. Administrator;
- B. Chief Financial Officer
- C. Purchasing Agent
- D. Taylor Design Group Inc.  
131 Hartford Rd  
Mount Laurel Township, NJ 08054

#### **CERTIFICATION**

I, Teri Giercyk, Municipal Clerk of the Township of Manchester, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Township Council at a meeting held on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of June 2026.

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Teri Giercyk, RMC/CMC  
Municipal Clerk