

TOWNSHIP OF MOORESTOWN

ORDINANCE 9-2011

**AUTHORIZING AMENDMENT TO SECTION 6-53A ENTITLED,
“PURCHASING STANDARDS AND PROCEDURES”
OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MOORESTOWN TO
ADJUST THE PUBLIC CONTRACT BID THRESHOLD**

WHEREAS, it has been the practice of the Township of Moorestown to amend Section 6-53A of the Code to adjust the bid threshold in accordance with the Governor’s adjustment of the bid threshold every five years; and

WHEREAS, due to recent amendments in the Local Public Contracts Law, there are variables in determining a local agency’s bid threshold, such as whether or not the municipality has a designated Qualified Purchasing Agent; and

WHEREAS, rather than amending the ordinance to reflect the bid threshold that applies as circumstances change, the Township wishes to amend its ordinance to reflect that the bid threshold for the Township of Moorestown shall be in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of The Township of Moorestown in Burlington County, State of New Jersey that:

Section 1. Section 6-53A, “Purchasing standards and procedures.” of the Code of The Township of Moorestown is hereby amended as follows:

- A. All purchases of any supplies, materials or equipment or contractual services for a department shall be made by the Division of Administration, pursuant to a written requisition from the head of the department whose appropriation will be charged and the certification of the Director of Finance that a sufficient unencumbered balance of appropriation is available for payment thereof. All purchases shall conform to the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law and any regulation issued thereunder. All purchase contracts ~~of \$26,000 or more~~ that meet or exceed the bid threshold, as adjusted every five years by the Governor, shall conform to the ~~requirements of public bidding~~ requirements set forth in the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., and related Procurement Laws, P.L. #1999, c.440. ~~When the Township employs a qualified purchasing agent, the bid threshold in effect will be adjusted to \$36,000.~~

Section 2. In all other respects, Chapter 6 shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 3. Repealer. Any and all other ordinances inconsistent with any of the terms and provisions, or part of this ordinance, are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistencies.

Section 4. Severability. In the event that any section, paragraph, clause, phrase, term, provision, or part of this ordinance shall be adjudged by a court of competent jurisdiction, to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, such judgment shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in its operation, to the section, paragraph, clause, term, provision, or part thereof directly involved in the controversy, if such judgment shall be rendered.

Section 5. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect, upon proper publication, in accordance with the law.

Section 6. Short Title. This ordinance shall be known as Ordinance 9-2011.

NOTICE AND CERTIFICATION

The ordinance published herewith was introduced and passed upon first reading at a meeting of the Township Council of the Township of Moorestown, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, held on May 23, 2011. This ordinance will be further considered for final passage by the Township Council at a meeting to be held in the Media Center of the William Allen Middle School, 801 North Stanwick Road, NJ on June 13, 2011 at 7:30 pm or at any time and place to which such meeting may be adjourned. All persons interested will be given the opportunity to be heard concerning such ordinance. During the week prior to and including the date of such further consideration, copies will be made available at the Municipal Clerk's Office in said Municipal Building to any member of the general public who shall request such copies.

Patricia L. Hunt, RMC
Township Clerk