



**BOROUGH OF LAWNSIDE
RESOLUTION NO. 34-2022**

**AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF
REDEVELOPMENT COUNSEL**

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Lawnside are authorized to exercise certain powers under N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 *et. seq.* to consider certain redevelopment matters in the Borough of Lawnside; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Lawnside, acting in its redevelopment capacity under N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 *et. seq.* have determined that it is in the interest of the Borough to acquire professional legal services to assist the evaluation of development proposals, redevelopment studies, selection of redevelopers, negotiation of redevelopment agreements, and related activities; and

WHEREAS, Edward H. Hill, Esquire currently serves as the Borough Solicitor; and

WHEREAS, the taxpayers of the Borough of Lawnside will not bear any expense for the redevelopment related services of said firm because the designated redeveloper will execute an Interim Cost Agreement with the Borough and post a professional services escrow with the Borough to cover the cost of redevelopment related professional services, such as planning, engineering, and legal services, including the services of Edward H. Hill, Esq.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Lawnside, acting in their capacity under N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 *et. seq.* hereby appoints EDWARD H. HILL, ESQ. as Redevelopment Counsel, effective January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022, subject to the terms and conditions of Exhibit A attached to this Resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Lawnside that the Borough Administrator and Solicitor hereby directed to take any and all steps necessary to ensure execution and implementation of this resolution including but not limited to including establishment of redeveloper escrow accounts, review of professional services billing, and the disbursement of properly invoiced fees upon approval of this body.

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**Marsharee A. Wright
Acting Municipal Clerk**

**Mary Ann Wardlow
Mayor**

ADOPTED: MARCH 2, 2022

EXHIBIT A

A. *Legal Billing Rates*

Legal billing will be submitted on an hourly basis at the following rate:

Mr. Hill's Consultant Rate	\$350.00 per hour
Managing Attorney -	\$350.00 per hour
Of Counsel -	\$350.00 per hour
Associate -	\$300.00 per hour
Paralegal -	\$ 75.00 per hour