

**RESOLUTION
of the
HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE
CITY OF LINDEN**

Resolution No. 2024-6-1

**RESOLUTION TO RATIFY THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO SUNBELT
INDUSTRIES, INC. FOR EMERGENCY SECTION 8 HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER
SERVICES**

Date Introduced: June 3, 2024

Date Adopted: June 3, 2024

WHEREAS, the Housing Authority of the City of Linden (“Housing Authority”), a public entity organized and existing pursuant to the Code of Federal Regulations, the Department of Housing and Urban Development (“HUD”), and the laws of the State of New Jersey, determined that it was in need of emergency Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher (“HCV”) services; and

WHEREAS, the Housing Authority was faced with insufficient staff to administer its Section 8 HCV program; and

WHEREAS, this created an imminent threat that families would lose their program assistance and become homeless or be forced to live in substandard conditions, which would directly adversely affect the health, safety, and welfare of program participants; and

WHEREAS, therefore, the Interim Executive Director of the Housing Authority declared the existence of an emergency in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6; and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned statute provided an exception to public bidding requirements, which allowed the Housing Authority to immediately award a contract or contracts for such purposes as may be necessary to respond to the emergency; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Director determined that the award of a contract to Sunbelt Industries, Inc. for emergency Section 8 HCV program services was necessary to respond to the emergency; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners has determined that it is in the best interest of the Housing Authority and its overall goal of providing quality, affordable housing to low-income seniors to ratify the award of a contract to Sunbelt Industries, Inc. for emergency Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher program services;

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the City of Linden hereby ratifies the award of a contract to Sunbelt Industries, Inc. for emergency Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher program services; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board hereby directs that Sunbelt Industries, Inc. shall provide all services necessary for the administration of the Section 8 HCV program until the Housing Authority can complete a competitive procurement process; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board hereby directs that the Interim Executive Director shall issue a Request for Proposals for Section 8 HCV services as soon as possible; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board hereby directs the Interim Executive Director of the Housing Authority to take any and all necessary administrative actions to implement this resolution.

CERTIFICATION

I, Gerald Volpe, the duly appointed and qualified Interim Executive Director of the Housing Authority of the City of Linden, do hereby certify that the attached Resolution (2024-6-1) was adopted by the Board of Commissioners at an open public meeting held on **June 3, 2024** pursuant to the vote recorded below and is a true and correct copy of the original resolution of said meeting on file and of record.



 Gerald Volpe, Interim Executive Director

Recorded Vote of the Board of Commissioners

COMMISSIONER	MOTION/ SECOND	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
JOSEPH INFANTE, CHAIR		X			
SHERI HUMPHREY, VICE CHAIR		X			
SHARON BACOT	1	X			
GARY MANNUZZA					X
PETER MATLOSZ	2	X			
DANI ORELIEN					X