



TOWN OF AMENIA TOWN BOARD

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Resolution No. 33 of 2025

RE: TERMINATING CONTRACT WITH RAJA CONTRACTORS, INC. AND AUTHORIZING SOLICITATION OF NEW BIDS FOR THE EXTENSION OF ROUTE 44 SIDEWALK PROJECT

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 83 of 2023, adopted by the Town Board of the Town of Amenia on July 20, 2023, the Town Board awarded a contract to Raja Contractors, Inc. (“Raja”) in the amount of \$197,050 for the Extension of Route 44 Sidewalk Project (the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, LaBella Associates, DPC (“LaBella”), on behalf of the Town of Amenia, was assisting Raja with securing a New York State Department of Transportation (“NYS DOT”) permit for the contract work, more specifically sidewalk, pedestrian fall protection and catch basin(s) along portions of Route 44 in the Town of Amenia; and

WHEREAS, during the permitting process, LaBella was informed by NYS DOT that the contract documents were never approved during the design phase because the NYS DOT permit reviewer had retired and that the contract documents would need to be reviewed again prior to the issuance of a DOT Work Permit; and

WHEREAS, on July 22, 2024, almost two (2) years after the original review, LaBella was informed by NYS DOT that an additional 35 items needed to be addressed prior to the issuance of a DOT Work Permit, which were contrary and in addition to the prior comments responded to in the original design submittal; and

WHEREAS, the scope of the Project has been significantly increased by the additional 35 items required by NYS DOT and the Town Board feels it is in the best interest of the Town to terminate the contract with Raja pursuant to paragraph 16.03 of the General Conditions of their contract; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Amenia is now seeking to re-bid the project in accordance with the new bid specifications.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as follows:

1. The recitations set forth above are incorporated in this Resolution as if fully set forth and adopted herein.

2. The Town Board of the Town of Amenia hereby authorizes the Attorney to the Town to terminate the contract with Raja Contractors, Inc. as set forth above.

3. The Town Board hereby authorizes the solicitation of new bids in accordance with the new bid specifications and associated documents and in accordance with the provisions of § 103-d of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York and all Federal aid requirements pertaining to this Project.

Motion made by S/Blackman

Seconded by C/Hamm

The foregoing resolution was voted upon with all councilmembers voting as follows:

Supervisor Blackman	Aye
Councilmember Rebillard	Aye
Councilmember Hamm	Aye
Councilmember Winters	Aye
Councilmember Ahearn	Aye

Dated: Amenia, New York
February 6, 2025


DAWN MARIE KLINGNER, TOWN CLERK