

RESOLUTION

OF THE

UNION COUNTY UTILITIES AUTHORITY

Resolution No.: 22-2026 |
Date: March 18, 2026

Approved as to form:

Bianka Vargas, Clerk

Approved as to sufficiency of funds:

John Cuiffa Acting Comptroller

[X] YES [] NO [] NONE REQUIRED

RESOLUTION OF THE UNION COUNTY UTILITIES AUTHORITY SUPPLEMENTING THE LIST OF FIRMS QUALIFIED TO PROVIDE SERVICES TO THE AUTHORITY, AND AWARDING AND AUTHORIZING A FORM OF CONTRACT, FOR RETIREMENT PLANNING SERVICES

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Solid Waste Management Act, N.J.S.A. 13:1E-1 et seq. (the "SWMA"), each county within the State of New Jersey is designated a solid waste management district with responsibility for the development of a solid waste management plan setting forth the solid waste disposal strategy to be applied in the district; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Union (the "County") has adopted the Union County District Solid Waste Management Plan, as amended from time to time (the "County Plan"); and

WHEREAS, the County has designated the Union County Utilities Authority (the "Authority" \) as the agency responsible for implementing the County Plan; and

WHEREAS, in order to carry out the stated purposes and goals for which the Authority was created, as well as the powers granted by the Municipal and County Utilities Authorities Law, N.J.S.A. 40:14B-1 et seq., and pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., the Authority has determined that it will require the provision of certain general and specialized consulting and professional services relating to and in furtherance of its activities; and

WHEREAS, the Authority has determined to undertake a fair and open process in accordance with the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4, et seq. through the issuance of a Request for Qualifications ("RFQ") for contract awards for such services required on and after the Authority's 2026 reorganization through and until its reorganization in 2027; and

WHEREAS, the Authority has established and implemented a procedure for such a process which required, at a minimum (1) public advertisement of the RFQ, in the official Authority newspaper for ten (10) calendar days, (2) establishment of appropriate evaluation criteria, which was documented in writing and disclosed prior to the solicitation of qualifications, and (3) public opening; followed by announcement of any contract award; and

WHEREAS, moreover the Authority established an evaluation committee to evaluate any and all responses to the RFQ, consisting of the following individuals: Chairman Raymond Szpond, Executive Director Linda Stender and Deputy Executive Director/Director of Administrative Services, Lisa M. da Silva; and

WHEREAS, the Authority advertised an RFQ for various professional services on December 9, 2025, including for Retirement Planning Specialist Services (hereinafter, the "Services") and, because no responses were received for the Services, the Authority advertised the RFQ on January 12, 2026, again without any response, and further advertised the RFQ for the Services on February 11, 2026, following which the Authority received and opened responses for the Services on March 4, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the responses to the RFQ which are available for public inspection, have been reviewed by the Authority's evaluation committee and, and based upon recommendations of the Authority's evaluation committee and the PPI committee, the Authority wishes to supplement its previously adopted list of firms deemed qualified through its RFQ process to provide services to the Authority, and to award a contract for the Services to a qualified firm.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Union County Utilities Authority:

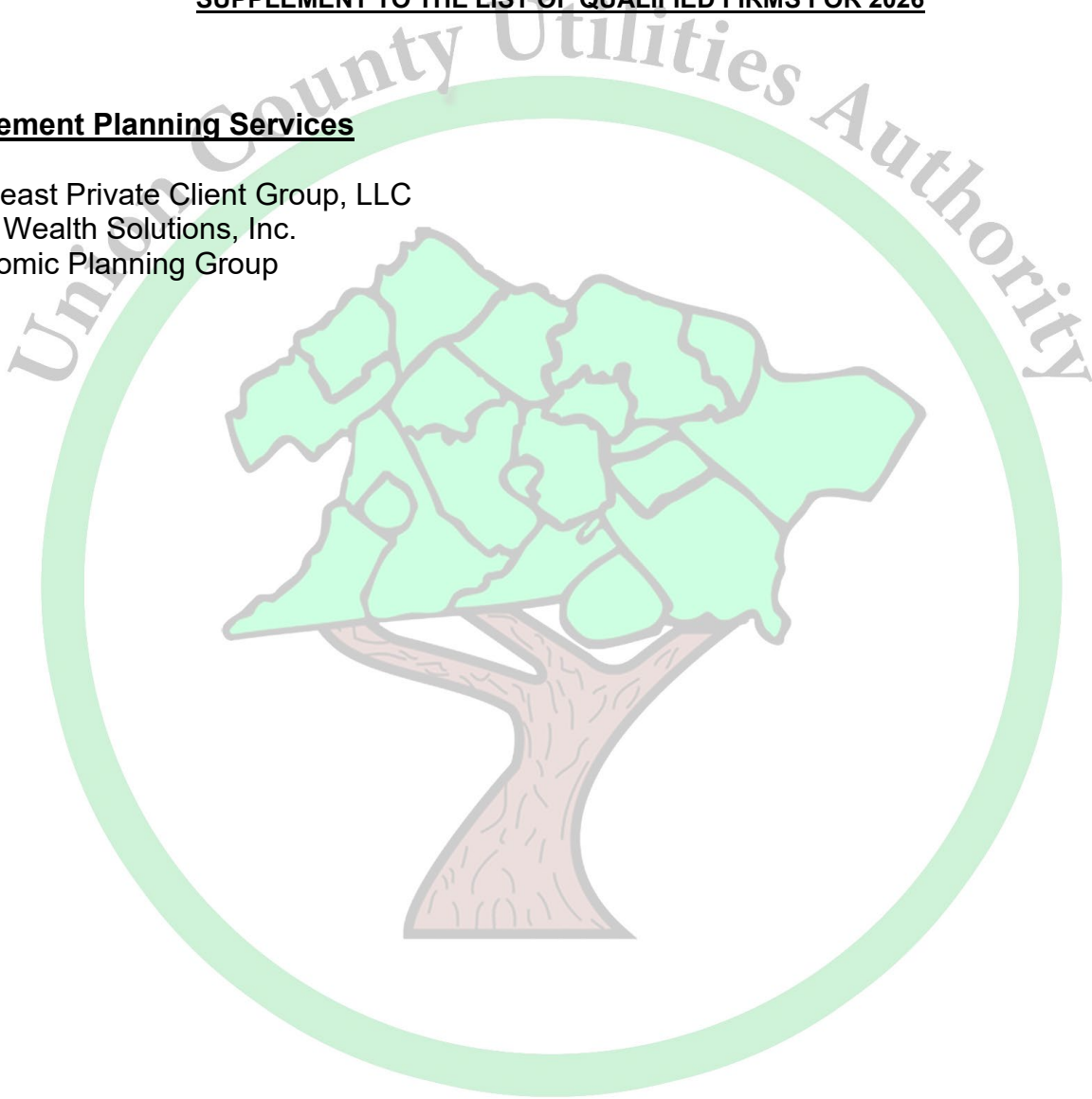
1. The Authority hereby adopts a supplement to the list of firms deemed qualified to provide services to the Authority for 2026 to add Retirement Planning Specialist Services (attached hereto as Exhibit A), pursuant to a Fair and Open process in accordance with the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4, et seq.
2. The Authority hereby awards a contract to Economic Planning Group to provide the Services to the Authority during the period beginning March 18, 2026 through the Authority's next reorganization meeting in February 2027, to be compensated not by the UCUA but on a commission basis only, and authorizes the Executive Director to execute a Contract with the firm in a form substantially similar to the form of Contract attached hereto as Exhibit B:.
3. This contract is not subject to the public bidding requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., inasmuch as the appointees are each authorized and regulated by law to provide the aforementioned services and/or the services are specialized in nature and require knowledge and training of an advanced type, which each of said firms and/or individuals possesses, and was awarded as part of a "Fair and Open" process in accordance with N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.
4. The Authority shall cause a notice of the above-described contract award to be published according to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a), et seq.; and
5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

EXHIBIT A

SUPPLEMENT TO THE LIST OF QUALIFIED FIRMS FOR 2026

Retirement Planning Services

Northeast Private Client Group, LLC
RMR Wealth Solutions, Inc.
Economic Planning Group



	PRESENT	ABSENT	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	MOTION	SECOND
<i>Eastman</i>							
<i>Figueiredo</i>							
<i>Holder</i>							
<i>Jackus</i>							
<i>Kahn</i>							
<i>McManus</i>							
<i>Rachlin</i>							
<i>Scutari</i>							
<i>Szpond</i>							
<i>Alma, Alternate No. 1</i>							
<i>Scott-Bey, Alternate No. 2</i>							

EXHIBIT B

FORM OF CONTRACT

