

**THE COMMISSIONERS OF FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1  
IN THE TOWNSHIP OF DEPTFORD, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER**

**Resolution 2018 - 28**

**Authorizing the Fire District to Extend Its Contract for Temporary IT Services with THCG, LLC  
d/b/a Avasek**

**WHEREAS**, the Fire District, was recently the target of multiple ransomware attacks that both exposed and caused vulnerabilities in and damage to the Fire District’s IT equipment and network; and

**WHEREAS**, the Fire District is in need of immediate assistance in repairing, securing, and monitoring its IT equipment and network to address the existing vulnerabilities and damage to its IT equipment and network and to ensure that its IT equipment and network are safeguarded from additional attacks which may be imminent;

**WHEREAS**, the Fire District retained the services of THCG, LLC d/b/a/ Avasek (“Avasek”) on an emergent and temporary basis to address the ransomware attacks as they were occurring and desires to continue its engagement of Avasek to ensure that its IT equipment and network is secured and safeguarded against future attacks;

**WHEREAS**, the Fire District has determined that is in the best interests of the Fire District to extend its engagement of Avasek for a forty-five (45) day period, on the same terms previously agreed upon, to achieve the aforementioned desired level of IT security and performance; and

**WHEREAS**, the awarding of this Agreement to Avasek is awarded without competitive bidding because the contract is for an amount below the bid threshold set forth in Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1, *et seq.*

**NOW THEREFORE, be it RESOLVED**, by the Commissioners at Fire District No. 1, in the Township of Deptford, County of Gloucester, at a duly-authorized and noticed work session meeting held on April 25, 2018, as follows:

1. The Commissioners hereby authorize Michael White to execute such documents as may be necessary to extend the contract for IT support services with the vendor listed above for a forty-five (45) day period on the same terms as previously agreed upon.

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
_____ MICHAEL WHITE, CHAIRMAN	_____	_____	_____
_____ RAYMOND MACKAY JR, TREASURER	_____	_____	_____
_____ JOSEPH NILSEN, SECRETARY	_____	_____	_____
_____ GEORGE FRANK, COMMISSIONER	_____	_____	_____
_____ ROBERT SHEAIRS, COMMISSIONER	_____	_____	_____