



**Township Council**  
1 Municipal Plaza  
Bloomfield, NJ 07003

Louise M. Palagano  
*Municipal Clerk*

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Meeting: 07/21/25 06:30 PM

**2025 RESOLUTION AWARD OF CONTRACT**

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**2025 RESOLUTION EMERGENCY CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION - WATER VALVE REPLACEMENT AND REPAIR IN THE VICINITY OF FRANKLIN STREET AND BERKELEY PLACE**

**WHEREAS**, on June 2, 2025, the Bloomfield Water Department was performing maintenance on the water main and valves along Franklin Street and while exercising an 8-inch valve at the intersection of Berkeley Place and Franklin Street, it began to leak excessively requiring removal or repair in order to stop the leak; and

**WHEREAS**, initially, a major shutdown of the watermain would be required to make the repair, thereby disrupting water service to potentially hundreds of residences. This was primarily due to the location of existing water valves in the area; and

**WHEREAS**, after discussion with the Engineering Department, an alternative method for the repair was established that would involve the use of an insertion valve on Franklin Street which would limit the loss of service to approximately 30 residences as opposed to hundreds; and

**WHEREAS**, it became evident that in order to move forward with completing the demolition, new water valves were required along our watermain and to safely backfill and stabilize the excavation; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the policy of the Engineering Department to maintain pressure and service to as many customers as possible when making a repair and fact that an insertion valve can be installed without a water shutdown was determined to be the best, viable solution for this situation; and

**WHEREAS**, large shutdowns should be avoided as much as possible because they can lead to a temporary degradation of the water quality being delivered to Bloomfield water customers; and

**WHEREAS**, a utility contractor, Carner Brothers, 10 Steel Court, Roseland, NJ 07068 (the "Contractor") was contacted and requested to perform the work; and

**WHEREAS**, the work commenced on June 2, 2025 and included the following:

- Roadway excavation, including the removal of and disposal of materials, including saw cutting the concrete roadway base of Franklin Street.
- Installation of an 8-inch insertion valve.
- Replacement of a 4-inch service valve which required removal and replacement to facilitate the insertion valve.
- Installation of other appurtenant material such as 4, 6 and 8-inch ductile iron pipe, various tees and fitting.

- 40 cubic yards of stone backfill and asphalt materials to properly restore the excavations.
- Police traffic control the throughout the course of the work to maintain traffic flow and safety.

;and

**WHEREAS**, the work was completed on June 6, 2025 with full service restored to all customers; and

**WHEREAS**, the total cost of the work was \$82,877.99; and

**WHEREAS**, the cost of the work was reviewed by the Bloomfield Engineering Department and found to be consistent with the work performed; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer has certified the availability of funds to pay the contract in capital account W-06-55-232-800; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A: 11-6 and the Township Code, the approval of the Council of the Township of Bloomfield is required in order to make payment to the vendors, for the contract price of the services.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BLOOMFIELD:**

1. That payment to the contractor be made part hereof, at the contract prices for the work performed in the in the vicinity of Franklin Street and Berkeley place in the aggregate amount not to exceed \$82,877.99 is hereby approved.
2. That this work be designated an emergency due to the loss of water and the potential of it becoming a major, water shut-down emergency.
3. That said payment represents the total cost of the work.
4. That the Clerk of the Township of Bloomfield forward two (2) certified copies of this resolution to the Chief Financial Officer and one copy to the Township Engineer.

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Approved as to form and procedure on basis of facts set forth.




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Director of Law-Township Attorney

I do hereby certify that the funding will be legally appropriated per the above information for the purpose specified in the attached contract. Furthermore, it has been represented to me that the contracts have been processed in accordance with the applicable provisions of New Jersey Local Public Contract Law and the Code of the Township of Bloomfield.

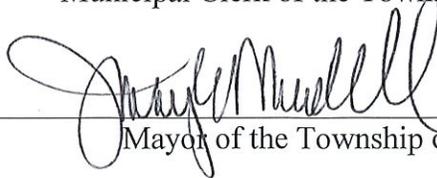


Chief Financial Officer

I hereby certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Bloomfield at a meeting of said Township Council held on July 21, 2025.



Municipal Clerk of the Township of Bloomfield



Mayor of the Township of Bloomfield

✓ Vote Record – Resolution						
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