TOWNSHIP OF VERONA COUNTY OF ESSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

RESOLUTION No. 2023-169

A motion was made by Councilwoman McGrath; seconded by Councilman Roman that the following resolution be adopted:

APPROVING THE CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN FOR THE 2022 MUNICIPAL AUDIT

WHEREAS, the Township of Verona has received a report of audit for the year ending December 31, 2022; and

WHEREAS, Local Finance Notice No. 92-15 dated July 8, 1992 requires that the Chief Financial Officer submits a Corrective Action Plan for all findings in the audit within 60 days of receipt of the Report of Audit; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has prepared a Corrective Action Plan relating to the findings of the 2022 Audit.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Council of the Township of Verona, in the County of Essex, New Jersey, does hereby approve the Corrective Action Plan for the year 2022 as submitted by the Chief Financial Officer.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Clerk is hereby directed to forward a copy of this resolution and the Corrective Action Plan to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Holland, McGrath, Roman, McEvoy, Tamburro

NAYS:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING IS A TRUE AND EXACT COPY OF A RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF VERONA AT A REGULAR MEETING HELD ON OCTOBER 16, 2023.

JENNIFER KIERNAN MUNICIPAL CLERK

CORRECTIVE ACTION REPORT VERONA TOWNSHIP, ESSEX COUNTY

Audit 12/31/22

<u>Finding #1</u> That Purchase Order requisitions be submitted prior to any

commitment of goods or services.

Description Accounting practices prescribed by the Division of Local

Government Services require Township expenses to follow an encumbrance accounting system. Purchases made prior to proper encumbrance of the funds can result in an over expenditure of a

budget line.

Analysis Transaction testing found purchases for which the invoice date was

prior to the date of the purchase order. Occasionally, instances arise for which items must be purchased through verbal approval

prior to entering into the formal requisition system.

Corrective Action The Township has widened its use of blanket purchase orders for

reoccurring purchases and vendors. The Township has

communicated proper purchasing guidelines to all departments including additional training for staff. The Township will continue

to train new employees on the proper purchasing protocols.

Implementation Date November 2023

Finding #2 That all bank reconciliations be in agreement with cash balances

reported in the general ledger and that all interfund balances

reconcile among all governmental funds.

Description Interfunds should be cleared each year between the various ledgers.

Bank reconciliations and general ledger balances should be in

agreement.

Analysis The Township has some older interfunds that have not been

cleared to date and have been on the ledgers for a couple years now. Some of the bank reconciliations are not in agreement with

the cash balances reported in the ledger for those funds.

Corrective Action The CFO will work with the auditors in correcting the bank

reconciliations with the cash balances. The CFO will also work on

correcting the interfunds before year-end.

Implementation Date November 2023