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January 27, 2023

Via U.S. Mail and Email to: jgross@westorange.org

Mr. John Gross, Business Administrator/CFO
Township of West Orange
66 Main Street
Room 111
West Orange, NJ 07052

Re: Regional Emergency Communications/Dispatch Shared Service

Dear Mr. Gross:

This letter follows our recent meetings and discussions which included you and Chief Abbot over our mutual interest in studying the feasibility and potential benefits of a Regional Shared Service for Emergency Communications/Dispatch for our public safety agencies. As you are aware, those discussions have included several neighboring municipalities, including South Orange, Maplewood and Roseland.

In furtherance of these efforts, Assistant Township Manager, Adam Loehner (copied here) and I recently met with NJ DCA staff concerning available assistance through the Local Efficiency Achievement Program (LEAP). The LEAP program can provide technical and/or financial assistance in the initial evaluation and assessment of the feasibility of a shared service, with addition funding potentially available to offset implementation costs of a shared service.

In order to enlist DCA assistance, we have been requested to provide Resolutions from the potential partner municipalities "Supporting the Exploration of a Shared Service". A copy of the DCA's sample Resolution accompanies the email of this letter as a Word document.

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Please contact me with any questions you may have or to confirm that West Orange remains interested in exploring this possible shared service.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Barry R. Lewis, Jr.", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Barry R. Lewis, Jr.
Township Manager

Encl.

Cc: Adam Loehner, Assistant Township Manager

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