

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:65-4 of the Uniformed Shared Services and Consolidation Act authorizing municipalities to enter into shared services agreement to either provide or receive any services that each local unit is empowered to provide or receive within its own jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, the County of Essex (the “County”) seeks to enter into a Shared Services Agreement with the Township of West Orange (“Township”) the purpose of which to support certain intervention efforts designed to combat substance abuse and disorder, accomplished by providing municipal residents charged with non-violent crimes with an opportunity for referral to the Recovery, Integration, Support and Education (“RISE”) Advocate; and

WHEREAS, the County and the Township have negotiated a proposed Shared Services Agreement, annexed hereto as Exhibit “A” (the “Shared Service Agreement”) for a term of three (3) years commencing on June 10, 2024 and ending on June 10, 2027; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Shared Service Agreement, the County will:

- (i) Pay for and procure a RISE advocate who will work with such individuals as described above to provide information about substance use and disorder, regardless of ability to pay, and act as a liaison between the individual, police department/court, and substance use disorder continuum of care providers; and

WHEREAS, the Township’s Public Health Officer has reviewed the Shared Service Agreement and recommends execution of the terms contained therein; and

WHEREAS, the Township has agreed to indemnify the County for any services provided for the County, as stated in Exhibit “A” attached herein;

NOW, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of West Orange that the Mayor be and is hereby authorized to execute and counter-sign the Shared Service Agreement with the County of Essex annexed hereto as Exhibit “**A**,” and the Municipal Clerk be and is hereby authorized to attest to the Mayor’s signature thereon; and be it further

RESOLVED that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:65-4(b) of the Uniformed Shared Services and Consolidation Act the Municipal Clerk shall forward a copy of the Shared Services Agreement to the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs for informational purposes; and be it further

RESOLVED that notice of this award shall be available in the Clerk’s office in accordance with any applicable law.

Karen J. Carnevale, R.M.C.
Township Clerk

Bill Rutherford
Council President

Adopted: June 10, 2024