

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:65-4 of the Uniformed Shared Services and Consolidation Act (the “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 Township of West Orange (the “Township”) and the Borough of Essex Fells (the “Borough”) have previously entered into a Shared Services Agreement whereby the Township provides animal control services to Essex Fells in exchange for quarterly payments from Essex Fells to the Township; and

WHEREAS, the Township and Essex Fells have negotiated a renewal of the Shared Services Agreement, in a form substantially similar and subject to Township Attorney approval, as annexed hereto as Exhibit “A” (the “Shared Service Agreement”) for a three (3)-year term, whereby the Township shall continue to provide animal control services to Essex Fells from January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2028; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Shared Service Agreement, the Borough will pay to the Township as follows:

- (i) For the period January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026, quarterly payments of \$1,572 for a total of \$6,287
- (ii) For the period January 1, 2027 through December 31, 2027, quarterly payments of \$1,603 for a total of \$6,413
- (iii) For the period January 1, 2028 through December 31, 2028, quarterly payments of \$1,635 for a total of \$6,541

for a total amount of \$18,861 for the full three (3) year term of the Shared Service Agreement; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution authorizes that twenty-five (25%) of the per annum amount for each contract year be dedicated to and placed in the dog license account 04-2010-00-6690-304 to cover the cost of personnel and other expenses authorized under the Shared Services Agreement ; and

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

WHEREAS, the Borough has agreed to indemnify the Township for any services provided to the Borough, as stated in Schedule A attached to the Shared Service Agreement;

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 a substantially similar Agreement with the Borough of Essex Fells as 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 for reasonable inspection in accordance with any applicable law.

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

Susan Scarpa
Council President

Adopted: June 24, 2026