

BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY OF MONMOUTH

RESOLUTION 24-101

AUTHORIZING SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS AND THE BOROUGH OF ATLANTIC HIGHLANDS FOR MUNICIPAL COURT SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act, N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1, et seq., allows a local unit to enter into an agreement with any other local unit or units to provide or receive any service that each local unit participating in the agreement is empowered to provide or receive within its own jurisdiction, including services incidental to primary purposes of any of the participating local units; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 2B:12-1(c) allows two or more municipalities to provide jointly for courtrooms, chambers, equipment, supplies and employees for their municipal courts without establishing a joint municipal court; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Highlands and the Borough of Atlantic Highlands wish to encourage inter-municipal cooperation; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Atlantic Highlands and the Borough of Highlands find that it would be in the best interest of both Municipalities to continue to allow for Atlantic Highlands and the Borough of Highlands to share their Court Administrators in order to conserve resources and to provide for a more efficient and more economically sound municipal court system; and

WHEREAS, the Municipalities will share their administrators on a reciprocal basis, up to (8) eight hours per month for a period of 2 years, along with two (2) separate one (1) year renewal options; and

WHEREAS, the term of this Agreement shall commence upon final execution of the Agreement by the duly authorized representatives of both Municipalities and shall continue for a term ending two years after the effective date unless the two (2) separate one (1) year renewal options are exercised; and

WHEREAS, the Shared Services Agreement is subject to review and approval by the Borough Attorney.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the governing body of the Borough of Highlands, that the Mayor be and is hereby authorized to execute a Shared Services Agreement between the Borough of Highlands and the Borough of Atlantic Highlands, for the aforesaid municipal court services.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough Administrator be and is hereby authorized to undertake such acts as are reasonable and necessary to accomplish the purposes of this Resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Chief Financial Officer, the Borough of Highlands Administrator and the Borough of Atlantic Highlands Administrator.

Motion to Approve R 24-101:

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This is a Certified True copy of the Original Resolution on file in the Municipal Clerk's Office.

DATE OF VOTE: April 17, 2024

Nancy Tran, Municipal Clerk Borough of Highlands