



MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT
AMONG THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHERN SHORES (TOWN), SOUTHERN SHORES
VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT, INC. (SSVFD) AND THE FIRE SERVICE REAL ESTATE, INC. (FSRE)
RELATING TO THE SSVFD BECOMING A TOWN MUNICIPAL FIRE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, currently the SSVFD provides the TOWN services to prevent, limit, and reduce damage or personal injury caused by fire or other emergencies as outlined by a Memorandum of Contract dated February 26, 2019, by and between the Town, SSVFD, and FSRE; and

WHEREAS, the Real Property is provided by FSRE to SSVFD to assist SSVFD in fulfilling the services to the Town required under the 2019 Fire Department Contract; and

WHEREAS, - Across the Country securing Volunteer Firefighters to meet the service requirements of providing fire protection are becoming increasingly more difficult; and

WHEREAS, the Boards of the SSVFD and FSRE and the TOWN mutually desire to create a shared vision to continue to provide the highest level of fire protection and emergency services feasible to the residents of the Town of Southern Shores; and

WHEREAS, SSVFD, FSRE, and the TOWN created a Working Group to meet collaboratively together to discuss the benefits, opportunities, concerns, and challenges related to merging SSVFD within the Town's governance structure; and

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of these premises, the Town Council, SSVFD and FSRE Boards find and resolve the following:

The Town Council, the SSVFD and FSRE Boards hereby authorize Town and Fire staff, and the Town Attorney, to prepare an agreement between the Town and SSVFD to finalize the terms and conditions of a merger into the Town's municipal structure.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the date first above written.

TOWN: Town of Southern Shores

SSVFD: Southern Shores Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.

BY: _____
Elizabeth Morey, Mayor

BY: _____
Board Chairman

Date: _____

Date: _____

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FSRE: Fire Service Real Estate, Inc.

By: _____
Board Chairman

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Date: _____