

RESOLUTION 2022-P-13

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP
OF CHATHAM IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY,
AUTHORIZING CONFERENCE OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE WITH THE
PUBLIC EXCLUDED**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 of the Open Public Meetings Act permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The public shall be excluded from discussion of the specified subject matter.
2. The general nature of the subject matter to be discussed is as follows:
 - a. Personnel
 - b. Contract Negotiations
3. It is anticipated that the minutes on the subject matter of the Executive Session will be made public upon conclusion of the matter under discussion; and in any event, when appropriate pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-7 and 4-13.
4. The Committee will come back into Regular Session and may take further action.
5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Adopted: August 9, 222

TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM IN
THE COUNTY OF MORRIS

Attest:

By _____
Ashley Felice, Mayor

Gregory J. LaConte, Clerk

ORDINANCE 2022-10

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM, COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY AMENDING THE LAND DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE SECTION 30-60.5 TITLED “APPLICATION CONTENT” TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF PAPER COPIES OF APPLICATIONS AND PLANS TO BE SUBMITTED

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1.

Section 30-60.5 titled “Application Content” of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Chatham, the first full paragraph is hereby amended to change the number of hard copies of subdivision plats or site plans to up to fifteen (15) at the discretion of the land use board and one (1) subdivision plat or site plan in electronic format and up to fifteen (15) hard copies of the application at the discretion of the land use board and one (1) application in electronic format as follows:

30-60.5 Application Content.

Applications shall be made on forms available from the Board Manager. Up to Fifteen (15) hard copies of the application (at the discretion of the land use boards) and one (1) copy in electronic format accompanied by the required filing fee as specified in §30-17 shall be submitted.

Section 2.

Attachment 5, Appendix II, Checklist A to Chapter 30, titled “Land Development”, the first and fourth Checklist items shall be revised to conform to the Ordinance as follows:

___ Up to fifteen completed copies of the appropriate application form(s) and one complete copy in electronic format.

___ Up to fifteen copies of the plat plan, site plan, building or subdivision plan (25 x 36 inches folded engineer style) and one complete plan in electronic format.

Section 3.

The Township Clerk is hereby directed to give notice at least ten (10) days prior to a hearing on the adoption of this Ordinance to the Morris County Planning Board and all other persons or entities entitled thereto pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-15, including to the Clerks of adjoining municipalities. The Township Clerk shall execute Affidavits of Proof of Service of the notices required by this Section, and shall keep the Affidavits on file along with the Proof of Publication of the notice of the required public hearing on the proposed change.

Section 4.

After introduction, the Township Clerk is hereby directed to submit a copy of this Ordinance to the Planning Board of the Township of Chatham for its review in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40:55D-26 and N.J.S.A. 40:55D-64. The Planning Board is directed to make and transmit to the Township Committee, within thirty-five (35) days after referral, a report including identification of any provisions in this proposed Ordinance which are inconsistent with the Township’s Master Plan and recommendations concerning any inconsistencies and any other matters as the Board may deem appropriate.

Section 5.

Any article, section, paragraph, subsection, clause, or other provision of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Chatham inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance is hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section 6.

If any section, paragraph, subsection, clause, or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, subsection, clause, or provision so adjudged, and the remainder of this Ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.

Section 7.

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon: (1) adoption; (ii) publication in accordance with the laws of the State of new Jersey; and (iii) filing of the final form of adopted Ordinance by the Township Clerk with the Morris County Planning Board pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-16.

Introduced:	TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
Adopted:	
Attest:	BY: _____ Ashley Felice, Mayor

Gregory J. LaConte, Clerk	

RESOLUTION 2022-238

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF
CHATHAM AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS, PAYROLLS, SCHOOL TAXES
AND COUNTY TAXES**

BE IT RESOLVED that bills in the total amount of \$1,176,397.38 and the prior month's payroll of \$452,579.37 Current Fund, \$62,220.02 Sewer Utility, \$49,996.39 Open Space and \$32,610.58 Police Private Employment be paid.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that taxes due to the School District of the Chathams, for the month of August 2022, in the amount of \$3,414,532.00 be paid.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that taxes due to the County of Morris, for the Third Quarter of 2022, in the amount of \$2,420,442.58 be paid.

Adopted: August 9, 2022

TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM IN
THE COUNTY OF MORRIS

Attest:

By _____
Ashley Felice, Mayor

Gregory J. LaConte, Clerk

RESOLUTION 2022-239

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF
CHATHAM, ACKNOWLEDGING RECEIPT OF REPORTS**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham that
the following monthly reports of departments be acknowledged as received:

Animal Control – July
WPC – May, June

Adopted: August 9, 2022

TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM IN
THE COUNTY OF MORRIS

Attest:

By _____
Ashley Felice, Mayor

Gregory J. LaConte, Clerk

DRAFT

RESOLUTION 2022-240

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF
CHATHAM APPROVING MINUTES OF MEETINGS**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham acknowledges receipt of and approves the minutes of the Township Committee meeting held on July 12, 2022.

Adopted: August 9, 2022

TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM IN
THE COUNTY OF MORRIS

Attest:

Gregory J. LaConte, Clerk

By _____
Ashley Felice, Mayor

DRAFT

RESOLUTION 2022-241

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF
CHATHAM APPROVING FIREWORKS FOR FAIRMOUNT COUNTRY CLUB**

WHEREAS, state regulations require municipal governing body approval for the use of fireworks displays; and

WHEREAS, the Township has received an application to conduct a fireworks display by the Fairmount Country Club on September 5, 2022, to take place at the Fairmount Country Club on Southern Boulevard, Chatham, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the Township wishes to permit the applicant to conduct this fireworks display in accordance with all applicable laws and regulations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham that it hereby approves the Fairmount Country Club Fireworks Application contingent upon the payment of all required fees, posting of appropriate insurance certificates, and compliance with all state and local laws and regulations.

Adopted: August 9, 2022

TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM IN
THE COUNTY OF MORRIS

Attest:

By _____
Ashley Felice, Mayor

Gregory J. LaConte, Clerk

RESOLUTION 2022-242

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF
CHATHAM APPOINTING POLICE CHAPLAINS**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham that
Father Kevin Corcoran be appointed as a Police Chaplain at no compensation for a term of one
year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of
Chatham that Rev. Dr. Ellen Clemot be appointed as a Police Chaplain at no compensation for a
term of one year.

Adopted: August 9, 2022

TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM IN
THE COUNTY OF MORRIS

Attest:

By _____
Ashley Felice, Mayor

Gregory J. LaConte, Clerk

RESOLUTION 2022-243

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM INCREASING BID THRESHOLD PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3(A) TO \$44,000 AND CONTINUE THE APPOINTMENT OF DEBRA KING AS THE TOWNSHIP'S QUALIFIED PURCHASING AGENT

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3(a), the threshold at which contracts as defined pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., must be subject to competitive bidding if they are in excess of the amount designated by the Governor of New Jersey pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3(c); and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3(c) permits the Governor of New Jersey to adjust the bid threshold, originally set by statute at \$25,000 for municipalities with a designated Qualified Purchasing Agent (QPA), in an amount proportional to the index rate as defined in N.J.S.A. 40A:11-2 every five (5) years from the date of the effective date of P.L. 1999, c.440;

WHEREAS, pursuant to order of the Governor of New Jersey, the bid threshold for municipalities with a licensed QPA shall increase from \$40,000 to \$44,000 on July 1, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Debra King was appointed Qualified Purchasing Agent on January 2, 2020 by Resolution 2020-035 and granted the authorization to negotiate and award such contracts below the bid threshold; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3(a) requires that contracts below the bid threshold may be awarded by a purchasing agent or other employee so designated by the governing body by resolution, and such powers may be generally delegated to the purchasing agent; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Chatham desires to take advantage of the increased bid threshold which was enacted to increase efficiency and adjust for changes in purchasing and business dynamics, and the Township of Chatham further wishes to confirm the statutory general delegation of this purchasing power to Debra King as the Township's duly-appointed QPA.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham, in the County of Morris, in the State of New Jersey, hereby increases its bid threshold to \$44,000.00; and

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham that Debra King is hereby re-appointed as the purchasing agent authorized to exercise the contracting power granted pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3 with additional compensation in the amount of \$5,000 for calendar year 2022; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:34-5.2 the Township Clerk is hereby authorized to forward a certified copy of this resolution and a copy of Debra King’s certifications to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

Adopted: August 9, 2022

TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM IN
THE COUNTY OF MORRIS

Attest:

Gregory J. LaConte, Clerk

By _____
Ashley Felice, Mayor

I, Gregory J. LaConte, Township Clerk of the Township of Chatham in the County of Morris, New Jersey, hereby certify the foregoing to be a true complete copy of a resolution adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham at a regular meeting held on August 9, 2022.

Date Issued: _____

Township Clerk

RESOLUTION 2022-244

**TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM, IN THE COUNTY
OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, RELEASING DEVELOPER ESCROW
ACCOUNT AND/OR PERFORMANCE BOND BALANCES**

WHEREAS, developers are required to deposit monies with the Township for the purposes of offsetting Township professional costs to review plans or to inspect approved development and for the purpose of ensuring the satisfactory completion of public or private improvements; and

WHEREAS, these deposited monies, following all necessary withdrawals to cover Township expenses or costs, may be released upon satisfactory completion of work, receipt of review board decisions, or completion of guaranteed work, upon passage of a Township resolution authorizing such release.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham that the following guarantee amount or account balances, with interest adjustments as prescribed by state and local laws, may be released to the depositor of record:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>Project</u>	<u>A/C NUMBER</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
East Park Builders LLC 7 Parker Court Florham Park, NJ 07932	RO 18-028 11 Woodlawn Drive	7764943196	\$84.00
East Park Builders LLC 7 Parker Court Florham Park, NJ 07932	Perf Bond for RO 18-028 11 Woodlawn Drive	7764943203	\$2,625.00

Adopted: August 9, 2022

TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM IN
THE COUNTY OF MORRIS

Attest:

Gregory J. LaConte, Clerk

By _____
Ashley Felice, Mayor

RESOLUTION 2022-245

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF ONE VEHICLE FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM WATER POLLUTION CONTROL UTILITY UNDER THE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION OF NEW JERSEY COOPERATIVE

WHEREAS, the Township of Chatham Water Pollution Control Plant wishes to purchase 1, 2022 Ford Explorer Base 4WD for the Water Pollution Control Utility; and

WHEREAS, the current vehicle used by the Township of Chatham Water Pollution Control Utility is showing signs of immanent failure; and

WHEREAS, the cost of the vehicle will exceed the pay to play threshold of \$17,500.00; and

WHEREAS, the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey was established in 1977 and operates under the guidelines of N.J.S.A. 5:34-7.1; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Chatham is a member of the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey Cooperative; and

WHEREAS, the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey has awarded contract 20/21-09 to Beyer Ford from 170 Ridgedale Ave. Morristown NJ 07960 for the purchase of Sport Utility Vehicles; and

WHEREAS, Beyer Ford of Morristown has furnished estimate 65MCESCCPS – ESCNJ 20/21-09 for a Ford Explorer Base 4WD to the Water Pollution Control Utility on March 3, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the funds for this purchase are available under the Water Pollution Control System Ordinance 2022-08, Account C-06-55-565-551, and the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, does hereby authorize the purchase of 1 Ford Explorer Base 4WD from Beyer Ford of Morristown through the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey Contract 20/21-09.

Adopted: August 9, 2022

TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM IN
THE COUNTY OF MORRIS

Attest:

By _____
Ashley Felice, Mayor

Gregory J. LaConte, Clerk

CERTIFICATION OF THE AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

As required by N.J.S.A. 40A:4-57, N.J.A.C. 5:30-14.5, and any other applicable requirement, I, Debra A. King, Chief Financial Officer of the Township of Chatham, certify that there are available sufficient, uncommitted appropriations pursuant to Ordinance 2022-08, Account C-06-55-565-551 to award a contract to Beyer Ford in the maximum amount of \$35,411.45.

Debra A. King
Chief Financial Officer

RESOLUTION 2022-246

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, AMENDING EMPLOYEE SALARIES FOR THE YEAR 2022

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham, in the County of Morris, New Jersey, that annual salaries of non-contractual employees are hereby amended as shown below effective for the 2022/2023 School Year.

<u>Position</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Special Law Enforcement Officer III (SLEO III)	\$37.50 per Hour

This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Adopted: August 9, 2022

TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM IN
THE COUNTY OF MORRIS

Attest:

By _____
Ashley Felice, Mayor

Gregory J. LaConte, Clerk

RESOLUTION 2022-247

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, TO RELIEVE THE TAX COLLECTOR FROM COLLECTING CERTAIN TAXES AND ELIMINATE THE IMPROVEMENT ONLY ASSESSMENT ON A CERTAIN TAX-EXEMPT PROPERTY

WHEREAS, Presbyterian Church of Chatham Twp, the owner of the property located at 240 Southern Boulevard known as Block 102.01, Lot 16 and Lot 16, Qual. X (the “subject property”), is a tax exempt entity, which has held an exemption from taxation of the subject property for tax years prior to 2022, subject to the Tax Exemption Law, N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.6; and

WHEREAS, Presbyterian Church of Chatham Twp, leased a portion of the subject property for the 2022 tax year to another organization that is entitled to exemption from taxation pursuant to the Tax Exemption Law, N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.6; and

WHEREAS, the lease of that portion of the subject property resulted in the creation of the line item in the Tax Book of the Chatham Township, Block 102.01, Lot 16, Qual. X, which was subject to taxation for improvements only; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Assessor of Chatham Township, during the course of his work, has discovered an error which resulted in the billing of taxes for the 2022 tax year and preliminary 2023 taxes on the said improvements in contravention and contradiction of the Tax Exemption Law, N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.6; and

WHEREAS, the line item in the Tax Book of the Chatham Township, Block 102.01, Lot 16, Qual. X, created the erroneous billing of year 2022 real estate taxes and preliminary 2023 taxes on improvements which are not billable pursuant to the Tax Exemption Law, N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.6; and

WHEREAS, the said line item, Block 102.01, Lot 16, Qual X erroneously assessed the improvements at \$400,000 resulting in total 2022 taxes in the amount of \$7,784.00, and preliminary 2023 taxes in the amount of \$3,892.00 when they should not have been billed at all; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 54:4-99 permits the Governing Body of a municipality, subject to N.J.S.A. 54:4-100, to make such abatement, revision, alteration, adjustment and settlement of taxes and assessments as it deems equitable, just and in the best interests of the municipality so long as it shall not impair the right, title, interest or estate, or lien of any tax sale purchaser; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 54:4-100 prohibits the adjustment of principal taxes payments unless they exceed the fair market value of the property, or levy taxes that were ultra vires in whole or in part; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Township Committee of Chatham Township finds that it is equitable, just and in the best interests of Chatham Township to forgive the improvements assessed portion of the 2022 real estate taxes and relieve the Tax Collector of the Chatham Township from collecting the taxes assessed against the assessed improvements portion only on line item Block 102.01, Lot 16, Qual. X, in the tax amount of \$7,784.00 for the 2022 tax year and \$3,892.00 for preliminary 2023 taxes; and

WHEREAS, the adjustments to be made pursuant to this resolution do not impair the right, title, interest or estate, or lien of any tax sale purchaser; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Tax Exemption Law, N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.6, it is ultra vires to charge taxes on the improvements for said exempt property; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by Chatham Township, New Jersey, that the Tax Collector and Tax Assessor of Chatham Township are hereby authorized to eliminate the line item known as Block 102.01, Lot 16, Qual. X, and forgive the taxes in the amount of \$7,784.00, and interest, if any, for the 2022 tax year, and to cancel any 2023 preliminary taxes billed, only on said line item, and refund any taxes, and interest, if any, paid by Presbyterian Church of Chatham Twp, or its lessee, as to the improvement tax assessment portion of the tax assessment for the 2022 tax year only on as Block 102.01, Lot 16, Qual. X.

Adopted: August 9, 2022

TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM IN
THE COUNTY OF MORRIS

Attest:

By _____
Ashley Felice, Mayor

Gregory J. LaConte, Clerk

RESOLUTION 2022-248

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY DESIGNATING INSURANCE FUND COMMISSIONER

WHEREAS, the Township of Chatham is a member of the Morris County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to designate a Township Official to serve as a Fund Commissioner to represent the Township at meetings of the Fund;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, as follows:

Township Administrator, Ziad Shehady, is hereby designated to serve as the Township’s Fund Commissioner in the Morris County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund.

Administrative Assistant/Chief Financial Officer, Debra A. King, is hereby designated to serve as the Alternate Township’s Fund Commissioner.

Adopted: August 9, 2022

TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM IN
THE COUNTY OF MORRIS

Attest:

Gregory J. LaConte, Clerk

By _____
Ashley Felice, Mayor

RESOLUTION 2022-249

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP
OF CHATHAM APPOINTING ZIAD SHEHADY AS THE MUNICIPAL HOUSING
LIAISON FOR THE TOWNSHIP**

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:94-7 and N.J.A.C. 5:80-26.1 et. seq., the Township of Chatham is required to appoint a Municipal Housing Liaison for the administration of the Township of Chatham's affordable housing program to enforce the requirements of N.J.A.C. 5:94-7 and N.J.A.C. 5:80-26.1 et. seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Chatham has adopted Chapter XXIX entitled Affordable Housing Administration to provide for the appointment of a Municipal Housing Liaison to administer the Township of Chatham's affordable housing program.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham, County of Morris, State of New Jersey that Ziad Shehady is hereby appointed as the Municipal Housing Liaison for the administration of the affordable housing program, pursuant to and in accordance with the provisions of Chapter XXIX of the Code of the Township of Chatham.

Adopted: August 9, 2022

TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM IN
THE COUNTY OF MORRIS

Attest:

By _____
Ashley Felice, Mayor

Gregory J. LaConte, Clerk

I, Gregory J. LaConte, Township Clerk of the Township of Chatham in the County of Morris, New Jersey, hereby certify the foregoing to be a true complete copy of a resolution adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham at a regular meeting held on January 6, 2022.

Date Issued: _____

Township Clerk

RESOLUTION 2022-250

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF
CHATHAM AUTHORIZING MACC SUPPLEMENTAL GRANT APPLICATION**

WHEREAS, the Municipal Alliance Committee of the Chathams will be submitting an application to the County of Morris for a supplemental grant; and

WHEREAS, the grant is in the amount of \$4,000 with the following breakdown:

\$2,000 requested for the Township of Chatham
\$2,000 requested for the Borough of Chatham

WHEREAS, the term of the grant is from January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the application required the signature of the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, the Township intends to make a 50% match in the amount of \$1,000.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham, County of Morris, State of New Jersey that the Municipal Alliance is authorized to submit an application for a supplemental grant, and the Mayor is authorized to sign the application on behalf of the Township.

Adopted: August 9, 2022

TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM IN
THE COUNTY OF MORRIS

Attest:

By _____
Ashley Felice, Mayor

Gregory J. LaConte, Clerk

CERTIFICATION OF THE AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

As required by N.J.S.A. 40A:4-57, N.J.A.C. 5:30-14.5, and any other applicable requirement, I, Debra A. King, Chief Financial Officer of the Township of Chatham, certify that there are available sufficient, uncommitted appropriations pursuant to the 2022 Adopted Budget to award a grant to the Municipal Alliance with the supporting matching funds in the amount of \$1,000.00.

Debra A. King
Chief Financial Officer

RESOLUTION 2022-251

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM OPPOSING THE PROPOSED RATE INCREASES TO THE STATE HEALTH BENEFITS PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the State Health Benefits Program (SHBP), governed by N.J.S.A. 52:14-17.25 et seq., offers medical, prescription drug, and dental coverage to qualified state and participating local government public employees, retirees, and eligible dependents; and

WHEREAS, all SHBP plans are self-funded meaning that the money paid out for benefits comes directly from a SHBP account funded by the state, participating local employers, and member premiums; and

WHEREAS, the Division of Pensions and Benefits is responsible for the daily administrative activities of the SHBP, and the State Health Benefits Commission is the executive organization responsible for overseeing the SHBP; and

WHEREAS, the State Health Benefits Commission, comprised of state officials and union representatives, annually considers the calendar year premium levels for the Local Government Employer Group of the SHBP based on recommendations found in the Rate Setting Recommendation Analysis of the Local Government Employee Group; and

WHEREAS, the proposed rate increases for the 2023 Local Government Employer Group included a 24% increase for Active Medical, a 3.7% increase for Active Pharmacy, a 15.6% increase in Early Retiree Medical, and a 0.7% increase for Medicare. Early Retiree Pharmacy has a 5.7% decrease; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Treasury has reported that rates for active members and early retirees would likely be increased between 12% - 20% across the various plans for the upcoming year; and

WHEREAS, such proposed exorbitant rate increases will fall upon the local property taxpayer along with the local public employees at a time where there is record inflation; and

WHEREAS, the proposed premium increase for most active employees will take thousands more out of their paychecks annually and lead to huge costs for local governments that will translate into higher property tax bills for struggling families; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham in the County of Morris does call upon the State Health Benefit Commission to reject the proposed rate increase; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham in the County of Morris urges the Legislature to adopt legislation establishing an investigative committee with subpoena power to investigate the provenance of the proposed SHBP rate increases and delay the vote on any change to the rate for the 2023 Local Government Employer Group until a full investigation has been concluded; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham in the County of Morris urges the Legislature to adopt legislation expanding the composition of the State Health Benefits Commission to include representatives from both municipal and county governments; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Governor Murphy, State Treasurer Muoio, Senate President Scutari, Assembly Speaker Coughlin, Senator Richard Codey, Assemblywoman Mila Jasey, Assemblyman John McKeon, Assemblyman Christian Barranco, and the New Jersey State League of Municipalities.

Adopted: August 9, 2022

TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM IN
THE COUNTY OF MORRIS

Attest:

Gregory J. LaConte, Clerk

By _____
Ashley Felice, Mayor

RESOLUTION 2022-252

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE REJECTING BIDS RECEIVED
FOR COLONY TENNIS COURTS & SHUNPIKE BASKETBALL COURT
IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT**

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham solicited for bids for the Colony Tennis Courts & Shunpike Basketball Court Improvements Project; and

WHEREAS, the bids were received and opened on Thursday July 7, 2022 at 11:00 A.M.; and

WHEREAS, the bid received on July 7, 2022 exceeded the Township Engineer's estimates for the project; and

WHEREAS, the bid specifications reserved to the Township the right to reject all bids and, under the circumstances, it is fully appropriate to do so;

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer, John Ruschke, PE of Mott MacDonald recommends the rejection of the bids received.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham, County of Morris, State of New Jersey that it hereby approves the rejection of the bids received for the Colony Tennis Courts & Shunpike Basketball Court Improvements Project.

Adopted: August 9, 2022

TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM IN
THE COUNTY OF MORRIS

Attest:

Gregory J. LaConte, Clerk

By: _____
Ashley Felice, Mayor

RESOLUTION 2022-253

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY, REGARDING THE RENEWAL OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSES IN THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2022

WHEREAS, an application for the renewal of an Alcoholic Beverage License in the Township of Chatham for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022 has been made by CB Chatham LLC; and

WHEREAS, the license held by CB Chatham LLC is an inactive license, otherwise known as a “pocket license;” and

WHEREAS, the license went inactive on March 17, 2020; and

WHEREAS, pocket licenses are eligible for two renewal periods; and

WHEREAS, subsequent renewals require a Special Ruling by the Director of the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control, which was granted on August 5, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the applicants have complied with all the requirements of “An Act for the Manufacture, Distribution and Sale of Alcoholic Beverages”, known as the “Alcoholic Beverage Act and Amendments and Supplements thereto”, as well as the Ordinance of the Township of Chatham entitled “An Ordinance to Regulate the Sale and Distribution of Alcoholic Beverages”, as amended, including the submission of the appropriate license fees, and no objections to the renewal of said licenses have been received.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Clerk be and hereby is authorized to renew the plenary retail consumption license as issued by the New Jersey Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022, as follows:

To CB Chatham LLC, for a pocket plenary retail consumption license (Lic. No. 1405-33-002-009).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution certified by the Township Clerk be forwarded to the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control and the State Department of Taxation and Finance, Newark, New Jersey, for their information and guidance.

Adopted: August 9, 2022

TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM IN
THE COUNTY OF MORRIS

Attest:

Gregory J. LaConte, Clerk

By: _____
Ashley Felice, Mayor

I, Gregory J. LaConte, Township Clerk of the Township of Chatham in the County of Morris, New Jersey, hereby certify the foregoing to be a true complete copy of a resolution adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham at a regular meeting held on August 9, 2022.

Date Issued: _____

Township Clerk