

RESOLUTION 2025-178

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE MORRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY FOR RECYCLING SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act, N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et seq., authorizes and encourages local units of the State of New Jersey, including municipalities, to enter into agreements with any other local unit or units for the joint provisions within their several jurisdictions of any service which any party to the agreement is empowered to render within its own jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Chatham (“**Township**”) and the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority (the “**MCMUA**”) seek to work cooperatively to provide recycling services to the residents of the Township in the most cost effective way; and

WHEREAS, in furtherance of the foregoing, the MCMUA provided the Township with a proposal, dated July 17, 2025, setting forth the material terms and conditions upon which the MCMUA proposes to provide recycling services to the Township effective January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2030 (the “**Proposal**”, which is attached hereto as Exhibit A); and

WHEREAS, the Township desires to accept the terms of the Proposal, choosing Option 2, which includes collection of single stream recyclable materials every other week at an annual cost of Two Hundred Five Thousand Three Hundred Fifty-Nine Dollars (\$205,359.00) for the first year, with a two percent (2%) increase each year thereafter (the “**Options**”); and

WHEREAS, the Township and MCMUA have determined that it will be cost-effective and in the best interest of the Township for MCMUA to provide recycling services to residents of the Township; and

WHEREAS, the Township desires to accept the Proposal, subject to the Options, and authorize the execution of a shared services agreement consistent therewith, the final form of which shall be reviewed and approved by the Township Administrator and Township Attorney, and executed by the Mayor (the “**Shared Services Agreement**”), subject to approval of the same by the MCMUA.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham that authorization is given as follows:

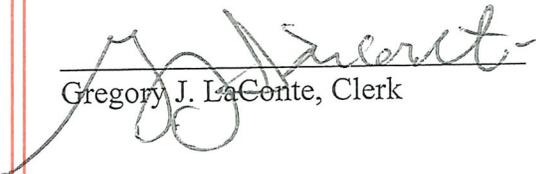
1. The recitals set forth above are incorporated by reference as if set forth at length herein.

2. Subject first to approval via resolution by the MCMUA, the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute the Shared Services Agreement. The Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to attest to the signature of the Mayor on the Shared Services Agreement and to deliver sale to the MCMUA.
3. The Mayor, Chief Financial Officer and Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to take any and all action and execute and deliver any and all documents, certificates, agreements or instruments necessary to effectuate the transactions contemplated by this Resolution and the Shared Services Agreement.
4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Adopted: September 23, 2025

TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM IN
THE COUNTY OF MORRIS

Attest:



Gregory J. LaConte, Clerk

By 

Michael Choi, Mayor

CERTIFICATION OF THE AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

I hereby certify that sufficient funds will be available to carry out the purpose of this Resolution in account X-01-26-305-029 for the respective budget year.



Debra A. King
Chief Financial Officer

**Exhibit A
Proposal**



**PRIVILEGED AND CONFIDENTIAL
NOT FOR PUBLIC RELEASE**

July 17, 2025

Mr. Richard Young, CPWM
Superintendent of Public Works
405 Southern Boulevard
Chatham Township, NJ 07928

Dear Rich:

Re: Proposal for Collection of Recyclable Materials for Chatham Township

The Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority (MCMUA) is pleased to present this proposal for recycling collection services to Chatham Township. The MCMUA appreciates the opportunity to work with the Township on this shared services agreement.

Of note, the MCMUA is authorized pursuant to the Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act (Act), N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et seq., to enter into a contract with any other local unit for the provision of any service which that local unit is empowered to render within its own jurisdiction. Further, uniform shared services agreements are exempt from the bidding requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.

Currently, the Township's curbside recycling is collected every other week by the MCMUA.

Schedule:

Option 1: The MCMUA proposes to collect single stream recyclable materials every week.

Option 2: The MCMUA proposes to collect single stream recyclable materials every other week.

Single-stream recycling allows cans, bottles, cardboard and all other paper to be mixed together for recycling. All of these items can go into one recycling container. Residents are permitted to place multiple 32-gallon containers at the curb for collection.

Duration: This proposal is effective January 1, 2026 until the end of the current shared services agreement on December 31, 2030.

Holidays Make-up Collections: The MCMUA's pricing proposal listed below includes make-up collections for holidays.

Service: The MCMUA will continue to provide roll-off containers and a compactor at the Township's recycling center, and will collect residential single-stream recyclables on a scheduled basis.

Start Time: The MCMUA crews normally work between 6:00 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. to provide collection services.

Cost Proposal:

Option 1: The cost for weekly recycling collection services to the Township will be \$280,000 for the first year, with a 2% increase each year.

Option 2: The cost for every other week recycling collection services to the Township will be \$205,359.00 for the first year, with a 2% increase each year.

The MCMUA will bill by voucher on a monthly basis. The cost includes the marketing of single-stream recyclables collected by the MCMUA.

Notice to Proceed: Upon approval by the Township, the MCMUA will provide a revised shared services agreement.

The MCMUA appreciates your consideration of this proposal and looks forward to the opportunity to provide additional collection services to Chatham Township. Please call me at 973-631-5185 for further discussion or if I can answer any questions that you may have.

Sincerely yours,

Maura Toomey

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The Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority asserts that, at this time, the contents of this letter are proprietary commercial and financial information pursuant to the Open Public Records Act at N.J.S.A 47-1A-1.1, and are therefore exempt from public disclosure.