

STRATFORD BOROUGH
COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 13, 2025
6:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: THE STRATFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING FOR MARCH 13, 2025

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND PRAYER:

STATEMENT OF ADVERTISEMENT:

Notice of this meeting has been provided to the Courier Post and The Retrospect and is posted on the Borough Hall Bulletin Board stating the time and the place of the meeting.

ROLL CALL:

MAYOR LINDA HALL	DONNA PLATT, BOROUGH SOLICITOR
COUNCIL PRESIDENT MICHAEL TOLOMEO	STEVEN BACH, BOROUGH ENGINEER
COUNCILMAN PATRICK GILLIGAN	RON MORELLO, POLICE CHIEF/OEM COORDINATOR
COUNCILWOMAN TINA LOMANNO	MICHAEL LEMMERMAN, FIRE CHIEF
COUNCILWOMAN DAWN MARTIN	JOHN D. KEENAN JR, BOROUGH ADMIN
COUNCILMAN STEPHEN GANDY	STEPHENIE CIANFRANI, DEPUTY BOROUGH CLERK
COUNCILMAN BOB BOVE	

PUBLIC PORTION FOR AGENDA ITEMS ONLY:

Motion to go to open public portion on agenda items only:

Motion: _____ Second: _____ Voice Vote: _____

Motion to close public portion on agenda items:

Motion: _____ Second: _____ Voice Vote: _____

POLICE/ OEM REPORT:

FIRE REPORT:

ENGINEER REPORT:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

FEBRUARY 8, 2024 EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES
MAY 9, 2024 EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES
JUNE 5, 2024 EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES
JUNE 6, 2024 EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES
JULY 23, 2024 EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES
AUGUST 8, 2024 EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 5, 2024 EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES
OCTOBER 3, 2024 EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES
NOVEMBER 7, 2024 EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES
DECEMBER 5, 2024 EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES
DECEMBER 10, 2024 EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES
FEBRUARY 13, 2025 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Motion: _____ Second: _____ RCV: _____

REPORTS:

ORDINANCE & PROPERTY	Councilman Bob Bove
FINANCE & REVENUE	Councilwoman Tina Lomanno
POLICE	Councilman Patrick Gilligan
EMERGENCY SERVICES	Councilman Michael Tolomeo

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PUBLIC WORKS & LIGHTING
PUBLIC EVENTS

Councilman Stephen Gandy
Councilwoman Dawn Martin

OLD BUSINESS:

ORDINANCES:

Final Reading/Public Hearing

ORDINANCE 25:02 Privately-Owned Salt Storage

PUBLIC PORTION FOR ORDINANCE:

Motion to go to open public portion:

Motion: _____ Second: _____ Voice Vote: _____

Motion to close public portion:

Motion: _____ Second: _____ Voice Vote: _____

PASSAGE of ORD 25:02 Privately-Owned Salt Storage

Motion: _____ Second: _____ RCV: _____

NEW BUSINESS:

APPOINTMENTS BY MAYOR WITH NO CONFIRMATION OF COUNCIL NEEDED:

Joint Land Use Board, Alternate – *Michael Digiacomo* One Year Term

BUSINESS LICENSE:

XPRESS AUTO REPAIR- 503 S. WHITE HORSE PIKE. (conditional/temporary license)

Motion: _____ Second: _____ Voice Vote: _____

RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTIONS 25:45 THROUGH 25:58 WILL BE DONE AS A CONSENT AGENDA

Council can at this time request to remove any of the resolutions from the consent agenda and they can be voted on separately.

RESOLUTION 25:45	AUTHORIZING BOROUGH ENGINEER TO DESIGN & PUBLICLY BID THE FY2025 NJDOT RECONSTRUCTION OF KIRKWOOD AVENUE – PHASE IV & GRAND AVENUE
RESOLUTION 25:46	APPOINTING PROFESSIONAL CONFLICT LEGAL COUNSEL
RESOLUTION 25:47	APPOINTING SUBSTITUTE CROSSING GUARD DEBBIE SCHMID
RESOLUTION 25:48	AMENDING TEMPORARY BUDGET FOR 2025
RESOLUTION 25:49	AUTHORIZE EMPLOYEE DENTAL PROGRAM AGREEMENT 2025
RESOLUTION 25:50	REFUND OF CANCELLED CONSTRUCTION PERMIT FEE
RESOLUTION 25:51	AUTHORIZE APPLICATION FOR 25-26 DWI TASK FORCE GRANT \$54,100.00

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RESOLUTION 25:52 AUTHORIZE APPLICATION FOR SUPPORT FOR CHILDREN FOUNDATION, 2025
NATIONAL NIGHT OUT GRANT APPLICATION

RESOLUTION 25:53 APPOINTING SUBSTITUTE CROSSING GUARD MEGAN MOYERS

RESOLUTION 25:54 AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF STRATFORD TO ENTER INTO A MOU WITH
KOKES PROPERTIES ("KOKES")

RESOLUTION 25:55 AUTHORIZING SHARED SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH CAMDEN COUNTY
REGARDING THE QUAKER STORE

RESOLUTION 25:56 APPOINTING DPW DEPARTMENT HEAD ROSS C. BECK

RESOLUTION 25:57 AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF BREATHING SYSTEM FOR FIRE DEPT

RESOLUTION 25:58 APPOINTING PART-TIME CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICIAL

Motion: _____ Second: _____ RCV: _____

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

Wire checks		through			
Payroll checks		through		and	
Automated checks		through			
Various electronic transfers and potential interim payments to Atlantic City Electric, Constellation Energy, PSE&G, and South Jersey Gas					

Motion: _____ Second: _____ RCV: _____

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

GOOD AND WELFARE:

Motion to open the meeting to the public for Good and Welfare:

Motion: _____ Second: _____ Voice Vote: _____

Motion to close the public portion for Good and Welfare:

Motion: _____ Second: _____ Voice Vote: _____

ADJOURN:

Motion: _____ Second: _____ Voice Vote: _____

Ordinance 25-02
Privately-Owned Salt Storage
Borough of Stratford, County of Camden, State of New Jersey

SECTION I. Purpose:

The purpose of this ordinance is to prevent stored salt and other solid de-icing materials from being exposed to stormwater. This ordinance is required by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection under the Municipal Stormwater Regulation Program.

This ordinance establishes requirements for the storage of salt and other solid de-icing materials on properties not owned or operated by the municipality (privately-owned), including residences, in the Borough of Stratford to protect the environment, public health, safety and welfare, and to prescribe penalties for failure to comply.

SECTION II. Definitions:

For the purpose of this ordinance, the following terms, phrases, words and their derivations shall have the meanings stated herein unless their use in the text of this Chapter clearly demonstrates a different meaning. When consistent with the context, words used in the present tense include the future, words used in the plural number include the singular number, and words used in the singular number include the plural number. The word "shall" is always mandatory and not merely directory.

- A. "De-icing materials" means any granular or solid material such as melting salt or any other granular solid that assists in the melting of snow.
- B. "Impervious surface" means a surface that has been covered with a layer of material so that it is highly resistant to infiltration by water.
- C. "Storm drain inlet" means the point of entry into the storm sewer system.
- D. "Permanent structure" means a permanent building or permanent structure that is anchored to a permanent foundation with an impermeable floor, and that is completely roofed and walled (new structures require a door or other means of sealing the access way from wind driven rainfall).

A fabric frame structure is a permanent structure if it meets the following specifications:

- 1. Concrete blocks, jersey barriers or other similar material shall be placed around the interior of the structure to protect the side walls during loading and unloading of de-icing materials;

2. The design shall prevent stormwater run-on and run through, and the fabric cannot leak;
 3. The structure shall be erected on an impermeable slab;
 4. The structure cannot be open sided; and
 5. The structure shall have a roll up door or other means of sealing the access way from wind driven rainfall.
- E. "Person" means any individual, corporation, company, partnership, firm, association, or political subdivision of this State subject to municipal jurisdiction.
- F. "Resident" means a person who resides on a residential property where de-icing material is stored.

SECTION III. Deicing Material Storage Requirements:

- A. Temporary outdoor storage of de-icing materials in accordance with the requirements below is allowed between October 15th and April 15th:
1. Loose materials shall be placed on a flat, impervious surface in a manner that prevents stormwater run-through;
 2. Loose materials shall be placed at least 50 feet from surface water bodies, storm drain inlets, ditches and/or other stormwater conveyance channels;
 3. Loose materials shall be maintained in a cone-shaped storage pile. If loading or unloading activities alter the cone-shape during daily activities, tracked materials shall be swept back into the storage pile, and the storage pile shall be reshaped into a cone after use;
 4. Loose materials shall be covered as follows:
 - a. The cover shall be waterproof, impermeable, and flexible;
 - b. The cover shall extend to the base of the pile(s);
 - c. The cover shall be free from holes or tears;
 - d. The cover shall be secured and weighed down around the perimeter to prevent removal by wind; and

- e. Weight shall be placed on the cover(s) in such a way that minimizes the potential of exposure as materials shift and runoff flows down to the base of the pile.

- (1) Sandbags lashed together with rope or cable and placed uniformly over the flexible cover, or poly-cord nets provide a suitable method. Items that can potentially hold water (e.g., old tires) shall not be used;

- 5. Containers must be sealed when not in use; and

- 6. The site shall be free of all de-icing materials between April 16th and October 14th.

- B. De-icing materials should be stored in a permanent structure if a suitable storage structure is available. For storage of loose de-icing materials in a permanent structure, such storage may be permanent, and thus not restricted to October 15 - April 15.

- C. All temporary and/or permanent structures must also comply with all other local ordinances, including building and zoning regulations.

- D. The property owner, or owner of the de-icing materials if different, shall designate a person(s) responsible for operations at the site where these materials are stored outdoors, and who shall document that weekly inspections are conducted to ensure that the conditions of this ordinance are met. Inspection records shall be kept on site and made available to the municipality upon request.

- 1. Residents who operate businesses from their homes that utilize de-icing materials are required to perform weekly inspections.

SECTION IV. Exemptions:

Residents may store de-icing materials outside in a solid-walled, closed container that prevents precipitation from entering and exiting the container, and which prevents the de-icing materials from leaking or spilling out. Under these circumstances, weekly inspections are not necessary, but repair or replacement of damaged or inadequate containers shall occur within 2 weeks.

If containerized (in bags or buckets) de-icing materials are stored within a permanent structure, they are not subject to the storage and inspection requirements in Section III above. Piles of de-icing materials are not exempt, even if stored in a permanent structure.

This ordinance does not apply to facilities where the stormwater discharges from de-icing material storage activities are regulated under another NJPDES permit.

SECTION V. Enforcement:

This ordinance shall be enforced by the Stratford Code Enforcement Office and/or Stratford Police Department during the course of ordinary enforcement duties.

SECTION VI. Violations and Penalties:

Any person(s) who is found to be in violation of the provisions of this ordinance shall have 72 hours to complete corrective action. Repeat violations and/or failure to complete corrective action shall result in fines as follows: **[insert penalty schedule]**.

SECTION VII. Severability:

Each section, subsection, sentence, clause, and phrase of this Ordinance is declared to be an independent section, subsection, sentence, clause, and phrase, and finding or holding of any such portion of this Ordinance to be unconstitutional, void, or ineffective for any cause or reason shall not affect any other portion of this Ordinance.

SECTION VIII. Effective Date:

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption and any publication as may be required by law.

Adoption Date: _____

Approved By: _____

Mayor Linda Hall

Date

ATTEST:

Stephenie Clanfrani

Deputy Borough Clerk

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF PENDING ORDINANCE

The ordinance published herewith was introduced and passed upon first reading at the Regular Meeting of the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford, in the County of Camden, State of New Jersey, held on the 13th day of February, 2025. It will be further considered for final passage after public hearing thereon, at the meeting of the Governing Body to be held in the Public Safety Building, in the Borough of Stratford on the 13th day of March, 2025 at 6:30 PM.

Copies of the ordinance will be made available during the week prior to and up to and including the date of such meeting at the Clerk's Office in the Borough Hall to the members of the general public who shall request the same.

Stephenle Cianfrani
Deputy Borough Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Introduction	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Tolomeo, Michael				
Gilligan, Patrick				
Lomanno, Tina				
Martin, Dawn				
Gandy, Stephen				
Bove, Bob				

Record of Council Vote on Final Passage	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Tolomeo, Michael				
Gilligan, Patrick				
Lomanno, Tina				
Martin, Dawn				
Gandy, Stephen				
Bove, Bob				

RESOLUTION 25:45

**RESOLUTION OF BOROUGH OF STRATFORD AUTHORIZING
THE BOROUGH ENGINEER TO DESIGN AND PUBLICLY BID THE
FY2025 NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
RECONSTRUCTION OF KIRKWOOD AVENUE – PHASE IV & GRAND AVENUE**

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey has allocated \$244,910 of Fiscal Year 2025 Municipal Aid Funding to the Borough of Stratford; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough of Stratford wishes to utilize said funding;

WHEREAS, the Borough Engineer has submitted a proposal to the Borough of Stratford with two (2) options regarding breakdown of fees;

WHEREAS, Option 1 utilizes the newly introduced option provided by the NJDOT for five percent (5%) design fee reimbursement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Stratford, County of Camden, State of New Jersey, formally approves Option 1 of the submitted proposal from the Borough Engineer dated March 13, 2025.

Dated: March 13, 2025

Borough of Stratford

Mayor Linda Hall

ATTEST:_____
Stephenie Cianfrani, Deputy Borough
Clerk

I, Stephenie Cianfrani, Deputy Borough Clerk of Borough of Stratford, do hereby certify that the above resolution is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted 03/13/25.

Stephenie Cianfrani, Deputy Borough Clerk

RESOLUTION 25:46

BOROUGH OF STRATFORD

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING PROFESSIONAL CONFLICT LEGAL COUNSEL
SERVICES AS A NON-FAIR AND OPEN CONTRACT**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Stratford has a need for professional conflict legal counsel services as a non-fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of *N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5*; and

WHEREAS, such professional conflict legal services can only be provided by licensed professionals and M. Lou Garty, Esquire is so recognized as an attorney of law; and

WHEREAS, this contract is to be awarded at an hourly rate of \$150.00 per hour plus reimbursable expenses for professional legal services for the Borough of Stratford until December 31, 2025. All rates based on services utilized are provided for in the contract between M. Lou Garty, Esquire and the Borough of Stratford; and

WHEREAS, M. Lou Garty, Esquire has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that no reportable contributions were made to a political or candidate committee in the Borough of Stratford in the previous one year, and that the contract will prohibit M. Lou Garty, Esquire from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract; and

WHEREAS, M. Lou Garty, Esquire has completed and submitted a Political Contribution Disclosure form in accordance with P.L. 2005, c271; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law *N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1, et seq.* requires that notice with respect to contracts for professional services awarded without competitive bids must be publicly advertised; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Stratford, County of Camden and State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. That M. Lou Garty, Esquire is hereby retained to provide professional conflict legal counsel services as described above at the rate of \$150.00 per hour plus reimbursable expenses for professional conflict legal services for the Borough of Stratford until December 31, 2025.
2. The contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Service" in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A: 5(l)(a) because it is for services performed by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession. The Mayor and Borough Clerk are authorized and directed to sign the contract.
3. A copy of the Resolution as well as the contract shall be placed on file with the Borough Clerk of the Borough of Stratford.
4. The Borough Clerk is hereby directed to publish notice of this award as required by law.
5. The attached contract is hereby approved and the Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized to execute the contract.

BY: _____
LINDA HALL, MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
STEPHENIE CIANFRANI, DEPUTY BOROUGH CLERK

CERTIFICATION

I, Stephenie Cianfrani, Borough Clerk, do hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true and complete copy of a Resolution duly adopted at a public meeting of the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford held on March 13, 2025.

STEPHENIE CIANFRANI
DEPUTY BOROUGH CLERK

RESOLUTION 25:47

SCHOOL CROSSING GUARD

WHEREAS, the Borough of Stratford employs substitute school crossing guards; and

WHEREAS, the school crossing guards are under the supervision of the Stratford Police Department Chief Police Executive - Department Head,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by Mayor and Council of the Borough of Stratford to recognize the title of school crossing guard and authorize said employment of school crossing and special officers, and

FURTHERMORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by Mayor and Council of the Borough of Stratford that the following is promised employment effective March 10, 2025:

Debbie Schmid

CERTIFICATION

I, Stephenie Cianfrani, Borough Clerk, do hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true and complete copy of a Resolution adopted at a public meeting of the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford at a meeting held on March 13, 2025.

STEPHENIE CIANFRANI
DEPUTY BOROUGH CLERK

**RESOLUTION 25:48
AMENDING TEMPORARY BUDGET FOR 2025**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A 40A:4-19 provides that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Stratford shall make appropriations to provide for those expenses of the Borough until a Final Budget is adopted.

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Stratford adopted Resolution 25:18 establishing a temporary budget on January 7, 2025; and

WHEREAS, a condition has arisen in that the Borough is expected to enter into contracts, commitments, or payments prior to the adoption of the 2025 budget and no adequate provision was made in the 2025 Temporary Budget for the aforesaid purposes; and

WHEREAS, the amount of such temporary appropriations shall be included under the correct heading in the budget and provided for in full in the final adopted budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Stratford, that the 2025 Temporary Budget is hereby amended to include the appropriations as set forth in Exhibit A, for the year 2025 in the total amount of \$3,646,920.98.

CERTIFICATION

I, Stephenie Cianfrani, Deputy Borough Clerk, do hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true and complete copy of a Resolution duly adopted at a public meeting of the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford held on March 13, 2025.

STEPHENIE CIANFRANI
DEPUTY BOROUGH CLERK

BOROUGH OF STRATFORD
 2025 AMENDED TEMPORARY BUDGET
 N.J.S.A. 40A:4-19

<u>APPROPRIATION</u>	<u>2025 TEMP BUDGET</u>	<u>2025 AMENDED TEMP BUDGET</u>
ADMINISTRATIVE & EXECUTIVE		
SALARIES & WAGES	50,000.00	100,000.00
OTHER EXPENSES	9,000.00	20,000.00
ELECTIONS		
OTHER EXPENSES	1,900.00	3,000.00
FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION		
SALARIES & WAGES	20,000.00	44,500.00
OTHER EXPENSES	1,900.00	6,500.00
AUDIT SERVICES	11,000.00	31,000.00
COLLECTION OF TAXES		
SALARIES & WAGES	20,000.00	40,000.00
OTHER EXPENSES	3,000.00	8,000.00
ASSESSMENT OF TAXES		
SALARIES & WAGES	4,800.00	12,000.00
OTHER EXPENSES	2,700.00	6,000.00
LEGAL SERVICES & COSTS		
OTHER EXPENSES	21,000.00	30,000.00
ENGINEERING SERVICES & COSTS		
OTHER EXPENSES	3,600.00	6,000.00

MUNICIPAL COURT		
OTHER EXPENSES	55,600.00	90,000.00
LAND USE ADMINISTRATION		
SALARIES & WAGES	1,800.00	5,000.00
OTHER EXPENSES	2,700.00	2,900.00
POLICE DEPARTMENT		
SALARIES & WAGES	468,000.00	800,000.00
OTHER EXPENSES	28,000.00	50,000.00
FIRE DEPARTMENT		
FIRE HYDRANT SERVICE	20,000.00	30,000.00
FIRE COMPANY EXPENSES	12,600.00	24,000.00
UNIFORM FIRE SAFETY		
OTHER EXPENSES	1,800.00	1,800.00
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT		
SALARIES & WAGES	39,500.00	60,000.00
OTHER EXPENSES	4,900.00	10,000.00
TRASH REMOVAL		
SALARIES & WAGES	79,000.00	120,000.00
OTHER EXPENSES	3,100.00	10,000.00
PUBLIC BUILDING & GROUNDS		
OTHER EXPENSES	7,700.00	18,000.00
SHADE TREE COMMISSION		
OTHER EXPENSES	500.00	1,000.00
BOROUGH VEHICLE MAINT	7,350.00	30,000.00
BOARD OF HEALTH		
SALARIES & WAGES	4,600.00	9,000.00
OTHER EXPENSES	450.00	600.00
ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION		
OTHER EXPENSES	600.00	700.00
INSURANCE		
OTHER INSURANCE PREMIUMS	65,000.00	120,000.00

WORKERS COMPENSATION	35,000.00	60,000.00
GROUP INSURANCE	160,000.00	400,000.00
HEALTH BENEFIT WAIVER	6,000.00	15,000.00
PUBLIC EVENTS		
OTHER EXPENSES	3,600.00	7,000.00
UTILITY EXPENSES & BULK PURCH		
ELECTRICITY	10,000.00	24,000.00
STREET LIGHTING	6,000.00	12,000.00
TELEPHONE	4,500.00	8,500.00
WATER	300.00	1,500.00
GAS (NATURAL OR PROPANE)	4,200.00	7,000.00
SEWERAGE PROCESSING	400.00	1,350.00
GASOLINE	20,000.00	60,000.00
SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL	92,000.00	120,000.00
SOCIAL SECURITY	50,000.00	100,000.00
DCRP	1000.00	2,000.00
PERS		108,147.98
PFRS		500,573.00
UNEMPLOYMENT		5,500.00
AID TO LIBRARY	57,000.00	114,000.00
SHARED SERVICE SRO OFFICER	20,000.00	50,000.00
PAYMENT OF NOTE PRINCIPAL	109,250.00	109,250.00
INTEREST ON NOTE	41,000.00	41,000.00
SEWER UTILITY		
SALARIES & WAGES	49,000.00	100,000.00
OTHER EXPENSES	31,000.00	80,000.00
SOCIAL SECURITY	4,000.00	6,000.00
PERS		10,000.00
UNEMPLOYMENT	50.00	100.00
PAYMENT OF NOTE PRINCIPAL	13,000.00	13,000.00
PAYMENT OF NOTE INT	1,000.00	1,000.00

TOTAL AMENDED GENERAL AND UTILITY APPROPRIATIONS	\$3,646,920.98
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RESOLUTION 25:49
AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF EMPLOYEE DENTAL CARE BENEFIT PROGRAM
AGREEMENT WITH JOHN D. KERNAN, D.M.D., P.A.

WHEREAS, the Borough of Stratford seeks to continue providing its employees with an optional dental care benefit program; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Stratford previously entered into said agreement with John D. Kernan, D.M.D., P.A. and wishes to re-enter into said agreement; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Stratford to authorize the execution of the agreement between John D. Kernan, D.M.D., P.A. and the Borough of Stratford for optional dental care benefit program for its employees.

CERTIFICATION

I, Stephenie Cianfrani, Deputy Borough Clerk, do hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true and complete copy of a Resolution duly adopted at a public meeting of the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford at a meeting held on March 13, 2025.

STEPHENIE CIANFRANI
DEPUTY BOROUGH CLERK

RESOLUTION 25:50
REFUND OF CANCELLED CONSTRUCTION PERMIT FEE

WHEREAS, the Borough of Stratford has received payment for construction permit 24-207 from Sunnymac LLC. in the amount of \$1,763.00; and

WHEREAS, the homeowner has decided not to move forward with the project and to cancel the permit; and

WHEREAS, the contractor has requested a refund of the permit fee; and

WHEREAS, cancelled construction permits may be refunded to the requestor with the exception of the DCA Training fee of \$82.00, and 25% of the permit fee of \$420.25.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council, that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to refund cancelled construction permit 24-207 to Sunnymac LLC in the amount of \$1,260.75.

CERTIFICATION

I, Stephenie Cianfrani, Borough Clerk, do hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true and complete copy of a Resolution adopted at a public meeting of the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford at a meeting held on March 13, 2025.

STEPHENIE CIANFRANI
DEPUTY BOROUGH CLERK

RESOLUTION 25:51

**AUTHORIZE APPLICATION FOR 2025-2026 STATE NJ DEPARTMENT OF
HIGHWAY & TRAFFIC SAFETY DWI TASK FORCE IN THE AMOUNT OF
\$54,100.00**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Stratford Police Department has applied for the 2025-2026 State-funded DWI Task Force Traffic Safety Grant to begin October 1, 2025, in the amount of \$54,100.00 with the State of New Jersey, Department of Highway and Traffic Safety. Said funding will be utilized for DWI Education, Enforcement, and for Traffic Safety LED Signage.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Stratford to authorize and support Stratford Police Department's Application No. HTS FED 2026-00056 for the DWI Task Force, to detect, and deter impaired driving and to overall improve traffic safety within the neighborhoods of the Borough of Stratford.

CERTIFICATION

I, Stephenie Cianfrani, Borough Clerk, do hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true and complete copy of a Resolution adopted at a public meeting of the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford at a meeting held on March 13, 2025.

**STEPHENIE CIANFRANI
DEPUTY BOROUGH CLERK**

RESOLUTION 25:52

**AUTHORIZE APPLICATION FOR SUPPORT FOR CHILDREN FOUNDATION, 2025
NATIONAL NIGHT OUT GRANT APPLICATION**

WHEREAS, Police Chief Ronald Morello of the Stratford Police Department has made application for the 2025 privately funded grant, from the Children's Foundation to supply toys and other giveaways in the amount of \$20,000.00, for the **2025 National Night Out, and related Stratford Borough Public Events.**

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Stratford to authorize and support Stratford Police Department's Grant Application for toys and giveaways to be distributed, at no costs to the children of Stratford.

CERTIFICATION

I, Stephenie Cianfrani, Borough Clerk, do hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true and complete copy of a Resolution adopted at a public meeting of the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford at a meeting held on March 13, 2025.

STEPHENIE CIANFRANI
DEPUTY BOROUGH CLERK

RESOLUTION 25:53

SCHOOL CROSSING GUARD

WHEREAS, the Borough of Stratford employs substitute school crossing guards; and

WHEREAS, the school crossing guards are under the supervision of the Stratford Police Department Chief Police Executive - Department Head,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by Mayor and Council of the Borough of Stratford to recognize the title of school crossing guard and authorize said employment of school crossing and special officers, and

FURTHERMORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by Mayor and Council of the Borough of Stratford that the following is promised employment effective March 03, 2025:

Megan Moyers

CERTIFICATION

I, Stephenie Cianfrani, Borough Clerk, do hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true and complete copy of a Resolution adopted at a public meeting of the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford at a meeting held on March 13, 2025.

STEPHENIE CIANFRANI
DEPUTY BOROUGH CLERK

RESOLUTION 25:54

BOROUGH OF STRATFORD

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF STRATFORD TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH KOKES PROPERTIES ("KOKES")

WHEREAS, Kokes is the potential redeveloper of the commercial property located at Block 58, Lots 28-32, 34, 35 and 37 along the White Horse Pike on the Borough of Stratford Tax Map ("Property");

WHEREAS, the Parties desire to jointly explore the feasibility of redevelopment of the Property and potentially negotiate an agreement or agreements to provide for the redevelopment thereof ("Redevelopment Agreement");

WHEREAS, in accordance with the terms set forth herein, the Borough is willing to undertake a redevelopment study to determine whether the Property qualifies as an area in need of redevelopment pursuant to the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1, *et seq.*;

WHEREAS, if the Parties agree to move forward with the Redevelopment Agreement, Kokes may form a limited liability company or limited partnership whose managing member or general partner, as the case may be, will be solely owned by Kokes and/or its principals to develop, own and operate the Project (as defined below), and Kokes may assign all of its rights and obligations under the Redevelopment Agreement and any financial agreement to any such limited liability company or limited partnership;

WHEREAS, in order to so, it is necessary for the Borough and Kokes to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") for this purpose; and

WHEREAS, entering into the MOU will promote the public health, safety and general welfare of the residents of Stratford Borough.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Stratford, County of Camden and State of New Jersey that:

(1) The recitations of the preamble hereto are incorporated by reference as though same were set forth fully herein at length;

(2) Stratford Borough is hereby authorized to enter into the Memorandum of Understanding with Kokes (Exhibit "A");

(3) The Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute the Memorandum of Understanding on behalf of the Borough of Stratford; and

(4) A copy of this Resolution shall be published in the official newspapers as required by law within ten (10) days of its passage.

BY: _____
LINDA HALL, MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
STEPHENIE CIANFRANI, DEPUTY BOROUGH CLERK

I, Stephenie Cianfrani, Borough Clerk, do hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true and complete copy of a Resolution duly adopted at a public meeting of the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford held on March 13, 2025.

STEPHENIE CIANFRANI, DEPUTY BOROUGH CLERK

RESOLUTION 25:55

BOROUGH OF STRATFORD

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING A SHARED SERVICES
AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF CAMDEN**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Stratford (the “Borough”) has agreed to purchase the historic Quaker Store property located at 17 North White Horse Pike, in the Borough of Stratford and also known as Block 51, Lot 1 on the Tax Map of the Borough of Stratford (the “Property”); and

WHEREAS, the Property possesses historic, aesthetic, or cultural significance to the Parties and the people of the State of New Jersey and was listed as an Old Building in the New Jersey Register of Historic Places and the National Register of Historic Places in 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Borough and the County of Camden (the “County”) have a shared responsibility to preserve parks, natural areas, historic sites, and farmland, not only for their scenic value, but for their use and enjoyment, and for purposes of cultural and ecological enrichment to benefit the public; and

WHEREAS, the County has agreed to provide funding in the amount of One Hundred and Fifty Thousand dollars (\$150,000.00) to facilitate the purchase of the Property; and

WHEREAS, the Borough and the County wish to enter into a Shared Services Agreement (attached hereto as Exhibit “A”) for the purpose of outlining the cooperative partnership and responsibilities of the parties in relation to the acquisition, preservation and maintenance of the historic Quaker Store property by the Borough and provision of funding from the Division of Open Space and Farmland Preservation, Camden County Historic Preservation Trust Fund for said purpose; and

WHEREAS, the County and the Borough are authorized to enter into this Shared Services Agreement under N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1, et seq. (“Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act”)

which permits two local units to enter into a contract for any service which any party to the agreement is empowered to render within its jurisdiction.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Stratford, County of Camden and State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The Shared Services Agreement between the Borough of Stratford and the County of Camden (Exhibit "A") is hereby authorized and approved.
2. The Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute the Shared Services Agreement with the County of Camden (Exhibit "A") in accordance with the terms and provisions set forth.
3. A copy of the Agreement shall be filed with the Borough Clerk and shall be open for public inspection at the Borough Municipal Building upon adoption of this Resolution.
4. A copy of the Agreement shall be sent to the State of New Jersey, Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs.

BY: _____
LINDA HALL, MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
STEPHENIE CIANFRANI, DEPUTY BOROUGH CLERK

I, Stephenie Cianfrani, Deputy Borough Clerk, do hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true and complete copy of a Resolution duly adopted at a public meeting of the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford held on March 13, 2025.

STEPHENIE CIANFRANI
DEPUTY BOROUGH CLERK

RESOLUTION 25:56
APPOINTING DEPARTMENT HEAD

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works, Sanitation, Sewer and Lighting has a vacancy in the position of Department Head; and

WHEREAS, the interview process has been completed by the Council Sub-Committee and a recommendation made to Mayor and Council to make the following appointments:

ROSS C. BECK – DEPARTMENT HEAD

WHEREAS, the start date will be Monday, March 31, 2025 and the annual salary for 2025 will conform with the Borough Salary Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the appointment is conditioned upon the Borough Solicitor's review and approval of supporting documents, and the appointee accepting the Offer of Employment;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by Mayor and Council to approve the above listed appointment to the Department of Public Works, Sanitation, Sewer and Lighting.

CERTIFICATION

I, Stephenie Cianfrani, Borough Clerk, do hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true and complete copy of a Resolution duly adopted at a public meeting of the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford held on March 13, 2025.

STEPHENIE CIANFRANI
DEPUTY BOROUGH CLERK

RESOLUTION 25:57

**AWARDING A CONTRACT FOR THE PURCHASE OF ONE (1) EAGLEAIR
BLACKHAWK INTEGRATED BREATHING AIR COMPRESSOR SYSTEM
AND EQUIPMENT FOR THE BOROUGH OF
STRATFORD FIRE DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Stratford Fire Department is in need of replacing a 1988 Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus Fill Station and Equipment; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Stratford Fire Department has researched vendors that would achieve their goals and determined that the sought-after equipment may be procured through a nationally-recognized and accepted cooperative purchasing contract between the Houston-Galveston Area Council (HGACBuy) and EagleAir, Inc., contract number EE11-24; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:34-6.2, a New Jersey Municipality may purchase goods and services without public bidding under the Local Public Contracts Law through the use of a nationally-recognized and accepted cooperative purchasing contract that has been developed utilizing a competitive bidding or contracting process by another contracting unit within New Jersey or another state; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Stratford Fire Department has determined that the Borough's use of the HGACBuy contract to procure the Integrated Breathing Air Compressor System and Equipment will result in a cost savings to the Borough; and

WHEREAS, Airpower International, Inc., is the only authorized sales and service distributor of EagleAir breathing air products in the state of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, Airpower International has provided the attached quote dated 3/11/25 in the amount of \$69,500.00.

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that sufficient funds are available for this purchase under the American Rescue Plan 2024 Firefighter Grant, account number G-02-XX-750-000-000.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Stratford, County of Camden, authorize the award of a contract for One (1) EagleAir Blackhawk Integrated Breathing Air Compressor System and Equipment to Airpower International, Inc., 7303 River Road, Pennsauken, NJ 08110, in the amount of \$69,500.00.

CERTIFICATION

I, Stephenie Cianfrani, Deputy Borough Clerk, do hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true and complete copy of a Resolution duly adopted at a public meeting of the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford held on March 13, 2025.

STEPHENIE CIANFRANI
DEPUTY BOROUGH CLERK

RESOLUTION 25:58
APPOINTING PART-TIME CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICIAL

WHEREAS, the Borough of Stratford has determined that they are in need of a part-time Code Enforcement Official; and

WHEREAS, the recommendation has been submitted to the Governing Body of Terry Armbruster to be appointed as part-time Code Enforcement Official,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by Mayor and Council to appoint Terry Armbruster as a part-time Code Enforcement Official effective March 17, 2025,

FURTHERMORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the salary for this position of Code Enforcement Official will be an hourly rate of \$20.00 for not more than ten (10) hours per week.

CERTIFICATION

I, Stephenie Cianfrani, Deputy Borough Clerk, do hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true and complete copy of a Resolution duly adopted at a public meeting of the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford at a meeting held on March 13, 2025.

STEPHENIE CIANFRANI
DEPUTY BOROUGH CLERK