

RESOLUTION 2010-424

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BARNEGAT, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, URGING THE NEW JERSEY TURNPIKE AUTHORITY TO TAKE IMMEDIATE ACTION TO OPEN THE REMAINING RAMPS FOR INTERCHANGE 67 IN BARNEGAT TOWNSHIP

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Turnpike Authority is responsible for the management of the Garden State Parkway, including the development and implementation of the Capital Improvement Program, and

WHEREAS, at the July 22, 2008 meeting of the New Jersey Turnpike Authority Board of Commissioners, the Authority awarded contract number P300.043 to Midlantic Construction, LLC in the amount of \$17,471,856.76 for the reconstruction and improvements to Interchange 67 in the Township of Barnegat, and

WHEREAS, at the July 22, 2008 meeting of the New Jersey Turnpike Authority Board of Commissioners, the Authority awarded professional service contract number P3137 to Stone and Webster, Inc. in the amount not to exceed \$2,150,000 for the supervision of construction services in connection with the reconstruction and improvements to Interchange 67 in the Township of Barnegat, and

WHEREAS, the Township of Barnegat is appreciative of the efforts of the Turnpike Authority in furnishing much needed improvements to Interchange 67 and as a result of these improvements, Interchange 67 will become a full Interchange, and

WHEREAS, all improvements associated with the capital project have been completed with the exception of the opening of two (2) ramps consisting of "NBX" and "SBX-1", and

WHEREAS, the Township of Barnegat has been patiently waiting for the opening of these ramps so that relief can be provided to the commuting public that resides in and around Barnegat Township, and

WHEREAS, the Township of Barnegat has been informed that these two (2) remaining ramps will not be open for use until various directional and informational signs are installed, and

WHEREAS, the Township has been informed of numerous dates in which the signs would be installed and the remaining two (2) ramps would be open for use, and

WHEREAS, the Township of Barnegat has not been provided a firm date in which the required signs would be installed so that the two (2) remaining ramps would be open for use and frustration is building among the motoring public that the ramps are not open and available for use, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the governing body of the Township of Barnegat, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, the following:

1. That the Township hereby urges the New Jersey Turnpike Authority to take immediate action necessary to open the two (2) remaining exit ramps at Interchange 67 as quickly as possible, the two (2) ramps being “NBX” and “SBX-1.”
2. That the Mayor, Township Administrator and Township Clerk is hereby authorized to execute any and all necessary documents required to properly satisfy the intent of this resolution.
3. That a certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded by the Municipal Clerk to the following individuals:
 - a) Ocean County Freeholder Director James Lacey
 - b) Ocean County Engineer Frank Scarantino
 - c) New Jersey Turnpike Authority Executive Director Veronique Hakim
 - d) State Senator Christopher Connors – 9th District

CERTIFICATION

I KATHLEEN T. WEST, Municipal Clerk of the Township of Barnegat, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Barnegat at a public meeting held on the 4th of October, 2010, a quorum being present and voting in the majority.

KATHLEEN T. WEST, RMC
Municipal Clerk