

RESOLUTION 2025-279

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF STAFFORD, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING A SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE TOWNSHIP OF STAFFORD FOR UCC CODE SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Township of Stafford ("Township") has a department that performs Uniformed Construction Code ("UCC") inspections; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Barnegat ("Barnegat") also has a department that performs UCC inspections; and

WHEREAS, State law mandates expedited UCC inspections, and the parties believe a reciprocal agreement to provide supplemental inspection services for the 4 disciplines (building, electrical, fire protection and plumbing) best enables them to comply with the law and provide efficient service to their taxpayers; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et seq. authorizes shared services agreements between municipalities to provide or receive any service that each municipality is empowered to provide or receive within its own jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, the Township has provided a Shared Services Agreement for the provision of reciprocal supplemental UCC services to the Township of Stafford, which is attached hereto as Schedule A; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body wishes to authorize the execution of the Shared Services Agreement with Stafford.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Township Council of the Township of Barnegat, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. That the Governing Body hereby authorizes the execution of the Shared Services Agreement with the Township of Stafford for the provision of reciprocal UCC services, attached hereto as Schedule A.
2. The Township Administrator and the Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute such documents.

CERTIFICATION

I, Donna M. Manno, 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 at their meeting held in the Municipal Complex, 900 West Bay Avenue, Barnegat, NJ on the 5th day of August, 2025.

Donna M. Manno, RMC
Municipal Clerk

SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN
THE TOWNSHIP OF BARNEGAT
AND
THE TOWNSHIP OF STAFFORD
OCEAN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

WHEREAS, the Township of Barnegat, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey (“Barnegat”), with a business office located at 900 West Bay Avenue, Barnegat Township, New Jersey, and the Township of Stafford, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey (“Stafford”) with a business office located at 260 East Bay Avenue, Manahawkin, New Jersey, have undertaken discussions in order to determine what services can be exchanged and shared by and between the municipalities in order to best serve the interests of the residents and taxpayers of each municipality; and

WHEREAS, the discussions have led to a determination by Barnegat and Stafford that the best interests of both municipalities will be served if the municipalities take advantage of the provisions of the Shared Services and Consolidation Act, N.J.S.A. 40:65-1 *et seq.*; and

WHEREAS, State law mandates expedited Uniform Construction Code inspections, and the parties believe a reciprocal agreement to provide supplemental inspection services for the 4 disciplines (building, electrical, fire protection and plumbing) best enables them to comply with the law and provide efficient service to their taxpayers; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Stafford and Barnegat Township find it necessary and appropriate to adopt a Supplemental Shared Services Agreement to detail the terms of their arrangement; and

WHEREAS, each party will provide Supplemental Inspection Services, whereby the Township of Stafford will provide supplemental inspection services to Barnegat in each discipline and Barnegat will provide supplemental inspections to the Township of Stafford in each discipline; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40:65-1, *et seq.* specifically authorizes local government units to enter into agreements for the provision of shared services:

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises, agreements and other considerations made by and between the parties, Barnegat and Stafford do hereby agree as follows:

AGREEMENT

1. Stafford will provide supplemental inspection services in each discipline (building, electrical, fire protection and plumbing) to Barnegat; and
2. Barnegat will provide supplemental inspections in each discipline (building, electrical, fire protection and plumbing) to the Township of Stafford.
3. Each party shall be entitled to receive up to six inspections per discipline per day, on an as needed and as available basis. Inspections are to be provided in accordance with the professional standards of each discipline in accordance with the New Jersey Uniform Construction Code.
4. The cost of each inspection shall be \$60.00 per inspection, to be invoiced and paid in accordance with the customary practice of the municipalities.
5. The term of this agreement shall be for a period of 5 years.
6. Either party may terminate this agreement upon 60 days' written notice.
7. This Agreement shall consist of the entire Agreement of the parties, and it is acknowledged that there is no side or oral Agreement relating to the undertakings as set forth. This Agreement and all rights, duties and obligations contained herein may not be assigned without either party's prior written permission.
8. It is understood and agreed by the parties that failure or delay in the enforcement of any of the provisions of this Agreement by either of the parties shall not be construed as a waiver of those provisions.
9. The parties acknowledge that this Agreement was reviewed by their respective Legal Counsel, and therefore, no presumption shall arise against the Drafter of this Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the appropriate elected officials of the Township of Barnegat and the Township of Stafford have placed their signatures and appropriate seals on this 5th day of August, 2025.

ATTEST:

TOWNSHIP OF BARNEGAT

Donna M. Manno, Municipal Clerk

Alfonso Cirulli, Mayor

ATTEST:

TOWNSHIP OF STAFFORD

Susan Farrell, Municipal Clerk

Robert Henken, Mayor