

**Resolution of the Demarest Governing Body**

**Resolution No. 66-23**

**April 10, 2023**

<b>Council Member</b>	<b>Motion</b>	<b>Second</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Abstain</b>	<b>Absent</b>
<b>Jiang</b>						✓
<b>Fox</b>			✓			
<b>Marks</b>		✓	✓			
<b>Slowikowski</b>	✓		✓			
<b>Hamilton</b>			✓			
<b>LaPira</b>			✓			

**TITLE: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF BERGEN FOR THE USE AND UTILIZATION OF CERTAIN EMERGENCY AND NON-EMERGENCY VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT**

**WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1, et. seq.,** known as the “Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act,” authorizes two or more local units to enter into an agreement for shared services known as a Shared Services Agreement (the “Agreement”) for the provision of any municipal services each participating local unit is empowered to provide or receive within its own jurisdiction as set forth under N.J.S.A. 40A:65-7(4); and

**WHEREAS,** the County of Bergen owns certain vehicles and equipment, some of which was acquired by the County’s Office of Emergency Management pursuant to State and Federal grants for the express purpose of making such equipment available to the municipalities within the County, and some equipment which is controlled by the Department of Public Works and the Parks Department, which it makes available to municipalities within Bergen County for use and utilization on an as-needed basis; and

**WHEREAS,** the Borough of Demarest (the Borough”), occasionally needs to utilize vehicles and equipment which it does not possess or does possess but is unable to utilize due to the need for repair, in both emergent and non-emergent situations, for which the County of Bergen owns the vehicle or equipment required by the Borough; and

**WHEREAS,** the Parties wish to enter into a Shared Services Agreement which governs the terms of the use and utilization of the County’s vehicles and equipment in advance of the Borough’s need to utilize the equipment for emergent and/or non-emergent uses, on an as-needed basis; and

**WHEREAS**, the Parties have a pre-existing Agreement for these services that has been a success, which is set to expire; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough has reviewed the proposed Agreement, a copy of which is attached hereto, and finds it to be in the financial best interest of the Borough to pursue; and

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Demarest, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The Borough endorses the undertaking of a Shared Services Agreement with the County of Bergen for the use and utilization of certain emergency and non-emergency vehicles and equipment pursuant to the terms of the Agreement.
2. The Mayor, Borough Administrator and or their designee(s) shall hereby be authorized to take all legal and necessary actions to facilitate the Borough's participation in this Agreement.
3. The within Resolution and subject Agreement shall be maintained on file and available for public inspection in the office of the Borough Clerk.
4. A copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Division of Local Government Services pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:65-4(b).
5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage and publication in accordance with the law, if required.

**APPROVED:**

  

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**Brian Bernstein, Mayor**

**CERTIFICATION**

I, Lee Campbell, Acting Borough Clerk, of the Borough of Demarest, in the County of Bergen and the State of New Jersey do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution is a true copy of the original resolution duly passed and adopted by the Governing Body at the meeting on April 10, 2023.

  

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**Lee Campbell, Acting Borough Clerk**