

RESOLUTION #2016-28; AUTHORIZING THE DEPTFORD FIRE DISTRICT TO SEEK COLLECTION AND REIMBURSEMENT FOR THE REASONABLE COSTS OF RESPONDING TO EMERGENCY HIGHWAY INCIDENTS AND AWARDING CONTRACT FOR SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Deptford Township Fire District No. 1 (the “District”) incurs significant costs responding to highway emergency incidents;

WHEREAS, the District requested authorization from the Township of Deptford in order to seek collection and reimbursement for the reasonable costs of responding to highway emergency incidents;

WHEREAS, the Township of Deptford passed and adopted in May 2016 an Ordinance “Amending Section 24-1 of the Township Code to Allow Collection and Reimbursement of Costs of Responding to Highway Emergency Incidents” (the “Ordinance”), a copy of which is attached as Exhibit “A” which authorizes the District to seek collection and reimbursement for the reasonable costs of responding to highway emergency incidents;

WHEREAS, the District has determined to implement the ability to seek collection and reimbursement for highway emergency incidents, as permitted by the Ordinance, which the Deptford Township Board of Fire Commissioners feels is in the best interests of the public safety and protection of the residents of the District;

WHEREAS, the Board of Fire Commissioners have solicited a proposal for a third-party agency, Fire Recovery USA, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit “B”, to be the collection agency for the implementation of this collection and reimbursement process,

WHEREAS, the Board of Fire Commissioners has determined that the cost or price of the contract services to be paid to Fire Recovery USA for such services will not exceed the bid threshold of \$17,500; and

WHEREAS, the anticipated term of this contract is 1 year and may be extended 1 time as approved by this governing body;

WHEREAS, Fire Recovery USA has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that Fire Recovery USA has not made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the Deptford Board of Fire Commissioners in the previous one year, and that the contract will prohibit Fire Recovery USA from making any reportable contributions through the term of the respective contracts; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.4 it is certified that there are funds budgeted and available for said appointment; and

WHEREAS, the contract is awarded without competitive bidding because the price or cost of the contract is reasonably believed to be below the bid threshold of \$17,500.00 annually.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Deptford Board of Fire Commissioners authorizes the Board's designees to enter into and execute the attached contract with Fire Recovery USA and to otherwise implement the process of collecting and reimbursing the District for highway emergency incidents, as allowed by the Ordinance.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Business Disclosure Entity Certification be placed on file with this Resolution; and,

ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Deptford Board of Fire Commissioners on June 1, 2016.

EXHIBIT B

