TOWNSHIP OF UPPER DEERFIELD

RESOLUTION 24-23

AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT WITH SOUTH JERSEY REGIONAL ANIMAL SHELTER

WHEREAS, the Township of Upper Deerfield is desirous of providing services for sheltering of animals; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Upper Deerfield is desirous of awarding a contract for the sheltering of animals to the South Jersey Regional Animal Shelter and appointing them as the animal shelter for the Township of Upper Deerfield pursuant to a Professional Service Contract for the year 2024, as they are the only nearby entity available for this service.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Upper Deerfield, County of Cumberland and State of New Jersey, as follows:

- 1. That the allegations of the preamble hereto are incorporated herein as if fully set forth.
- 2. That the South Jersey Regional Animal Shelter of Vineland, New Jersey, a licensed animal shelter in the State of New Jersey, be appointed animal shelter for Upper Deerfield Township for the year 2024 to perform professional services ordinarily provided by an animal shelter and shall receive compensation in accordance with terms of the contract on file in the Clerk's office.
- 3. That the aforesaid contract is awarded pursuant to competitive bidding as a "Professional Service" under the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law because N.J.S.A.40A:11-5 states that no local unit shall be required to advertise for bids for services rendered or performed by a person authorized by law to practice a recognized profession and whose practice is regulated by law, or to advertise for bids for services which are of such a qualitative nature as will not reasonably permit the drawing of specifications or the receipt of competitive bids, all of which classification the aforesaid contract falls within.
- 4. Upon adoption of the 2024 temporary budget, a purchase order in the amount of the annual cost of the retainer will be encumbered and serve as a certification of availability of funds. The prorated amount of potential additional professional fees contained within the aforementioned contract are included within the temporary budget and the continuation of any potential additional fees for the year will be included within the adopted 2024 budget to be certified by the Chief Financial Officer upon adoption of the 2024 budget.
- 5. The Business Entity Disclosure Certification shall be placed on file with this Resolution.
- 6. That a copy of the specific items pertaining to the award of this contract shall be published in a Notice of Award in the Daily Journal as required by law within ten (10) days of the Resolution authorizing same; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Upper Deerfield that the Mayor and Clerk be and are hereby authorized to enter into an agreement for the provision of the sheltering of stray animals as per the terms and conditions of the contract rates for 2024 as provided by the South Jersey Regional Animal Shelter and the same is hereby accepted; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Upper Deerfield that this professional service agreement is awarded pursuant to and in compliance with the provisions of Pay to Play legislation, <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 19:44A-20.4, et seq.

Moved By: John L. Daddario

Seconded By: Joseph Spoltore

VOTING	In Favor	<u>Against</u>	Abstain	Absent
James P. Crilley	Х			
John L. Daddario	Х			
Scott Smith	Х			
Thomas Speranza	Х			
Joseph Spoltore	Х			

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the Resolution adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Upper Deerfield, in the County of Cumberland, at a meeting thereof held January 4, 2024.

Roy J. Spoltore, Township Clerk