

TOWNSHIP OF MOORESTOWN

RESOLUTION NO. 110-2016

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MOORESTOWN, COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE ENTRY INTO A COOPERATIVE PRICING AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey has been engaged in a process to establish a competitive market place through deregulation and restructuring the electric and natural gas utility markets; and

WHEREAS, the establishment of a governmental energy aggregation program ("GEA Program") to purchase electric generation service and natural gas pursuant to the Government Energy Act of 2003, *N.J.S.A. 48:3-93.1 et seq.* ("Act") and the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities' implementing rules at *N.J.A.C. 14:4-6.1 et seq.* ("Rules") will increase competition for the provision of electric power and natural gas to residential and non-residential electricity and gas ratepayers, thereby increasing the likelihood of lower electric rates and natural gas rates for these users without causing an interruption in service; and

WHEREAS, under a GEA Program, the residential ratepayers may have the opportunity to receive a direct reduction in their electric bills through the bulk purchase of energy from a third-party energy supplier; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to an ordinance adopted by the Township of Moorestown on March 9, 2015, ("Ordinance #2-2015"), publicly declared its intent to commence a GEA Program; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5) authorizes contracting units to establish a Cooperative Pricing System and to enter into Cooperative Pricing Agreements for its administration; and

WHEREAS, the County of Burlington, hereinafter referred to as the "Lead Agency" has offered voluntary participation in a Cooperative Pricing System for the purchase of goods and services and shall accept or reject pricing on behalf of the Cooperative and its participant members which provides a reduction on the supply portion of the electric bill for the residential energy aggregation program; and

WHEREAS, the governing body of Township of Moorestown has duly considered participation in a Cooperative Pricing System for the provision and performance of goods and services; and

WHEREAS, the County of Burlington appointed Commercial Utility Consultants, Inc. for the Burlington County Energy Aggregation Program, "BCEAP" to serve as Energy Agent to assist and administer the GEA program at no cost to the County or "BCEAP" participating members.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Moorestown in the County of Burlington, New Jersey, duly assembled in public session, as follows:

Pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5), the Township of Moorestown is hereby authorized to enter into a Cooperative Pricing Agreement with the Lead Agency.

1. The Lead Agency shall be responsible for complying with the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) and all other provisions of the revised statutes of the State of New Jersey.
2. The Township of Moorestown as a participating member of the "BCEAP" program hereby agrees to proceed with the program, by signing the Supplier Agreement, should the County of Burlington accept pricing, which provides a reduction on the supply portion of the electric bill for the residential energy aggregation program;
3. The Mayor, Chief Financial Officer, Treasurer or other municipal officer is hereby authorized and directed to execute, on behalf of the Township of Moorestown, any documents necessary to carry out the purpose this Resolution including the Supplier Services Agreement providing a reduction is achieved at the time of auction.

ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Township Council of the Township of Moorestown, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey held on April 25, 2016.

VOTE:
JORDAN
DELGADO
GARWOOD
NAPOLITANO
PETRIELLO

Certified to be a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Township Council at its regular meeting on April 25, 2016.

Vicki M. Conover
Deputy Township Clerk

ATTEST BY: _____
Karen Daily