

**TOWNSHIP OF VERONA
COUNTY OF ESSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

RESOLUTION No. 2026-066

A motion was made by Councilwoman McGrath; seconded by Deputy Mayor McEvoy that the following resolution be adopted:

**AUTHORIZE THE APPLICATION OF A LOCAL EFFICIENCY
ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM (LEAP) IMPLEMENTATION GRANT FOR
SHARED SERVICES WITH THE TOWNSHIP OF CEDAR GROVE AND
LITTLE FALLS AND THE BOROUGH OF WOODLAND PARK**

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey has appropriated \$2 million for Shared Services and Implementation, Challenge, and County Shared Services Coordinator Grants to assist local units with the study, development, and implementation of new shared and regional services; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Community Affairs, Division of Local Government Services (DLGS) is tasked with administering these grant funds through the Local Efficiency Achievement Program (LEAP); and

WHEREAS, LEAP Implementation Grants exist to support costs associated with shared service implementation to ensure that meaningful, efficiency generating initiatives are not hindered by short term transitional expenses; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Verona, the Township of Cedar Grove, the Township of Little Falls, and the Borough of Woodland Park propose to enter into a shared services agreement, but face certain expenses associated with implementation that present a burden to the local units; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this shared services agreement is to purchase a new Sewer Jetter/VAC Truck, which will benefit the residents of all participating local units; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Verona has agreed to be the lead agency in this program and will submit the application to DLGS on behalf of all participating units; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Verona Township Council, that the Township of Verona will apply for a LEAP Implementation Grant in the amount of \$300,000 to support implementation of this shared service on behalf of itself, and on behalf of the Township of Cedar Grove, the Township of Little Falls, and the Borough of Woodland Park and if awarded and upon execution of said Agreement, the Township of Verona does accept the Terms and Conditions specified in the Agreement in connection to this grant award.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Holland, McGrath, Roman, McEvoy, Tamburro

NAYS:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING IS A TRUE AND EXACT COPY OF A RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF VERONA AT A REGULAR MEETING HELD ON MARCH 9, 2026.


JENNIFER KIERNAN, RMC, CMC
MUNICIPAL CLERK

