

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-54

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF STAFFORD, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AWARDING A CONTRACT TO JERSEY SHORE VETERINARY HOSPITAL (BARNEGAT & LAKEWOOD LOCATIONS) FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES AFTER HOURS AND ON WEEKENDS AND AWARDING CONTRACTS TO OCEAN ACRES VETERINARY OFFICE LLC, AND RED BANK VETERINARY HOSPITAL OF LINWOOD FOR ALTERNATE EMERGENCY SERVICES AFTER HOURS AND ON WEEKENDS

WHEREAS, in order to fulfill public health requirements, there exists a need for emergency veterinary services for the Township of Stafford; and

WHEREAS, although the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., authorized the ward of contracts for “Professional Services” without competitive bids, the Township issued a request for proposals for professional service contracts in compliance with Pay to Play laws and with the competitive negotiation procedure as delineated with Chapter 23, Article 4, of the Township Code of the Township of Stafford entitled “Competitive negotiations for professional services contract”; and

WHEREAS, the requirements of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.2 et seq., have been met; and

WHEREAS, due to the emergent nature of fulfilling the duty towards public health, the governing body desires to award a contract in accordance with Section 23-II(H). Part or all of the requirements of Article IV are impracticable as regards to this AGREEMENT, since there is an emergency nature in needing emergency services after hours and weekends for animals in the Township; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Township Council of the Township of Stafford, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. That Jersey Shore Veterinary Hospital Emergency Service, located at 1000 Highway 70, Lakewood, NJ 08701 & 770 Lighthouse Drive, Barnegat, NJ 08005 is hereby awarded a contract for emergency veterinary services for after hours and weekends for the Township of Stafford for a term of 12 months under the contract authorized herein, commencing on January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2023 in an amount not to exceed \$17,500.00.
2. That Ocean Acres Veterinary Office, LLC, located at 1022 Mariner Avenue, Manahawkin, NJ 08050, is hereby awarded a contract for alternate emergency veterinary services for after hours and weekends for the Township of Stafford for a term of 12 months under the contract authorized herein, commencing on January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2023 in an amount not to exceed \$17,500.00.
3. That Red Bank Veterinary Hospital of Linwood, located at 535 Maple Avenue, Linwood, NJ 08221, is hereby awarded a contract for alternate emergency veterinary services for after hours and weekends for the Township of Stafford for a term of 12 months under the contract authorized herein, commencing on January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2023 in an amount not to exceed \$17,500.00.
4. That the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute and the Township Clerk to attest to the attached agreements with Jersey Shore Emergency Hospital Veterinary Emergency Service (Barnegat & Lakewood locations), Ocean Acres Veterinary Office, LLC and Red Bank Veterinary Hospital of Linwood.

5. That the contracts are awarded as a "Professional Service" in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(i) of the Local Public Contracts Law because it is for services to be performed by person(s) authorized by law to practice a recognized profession.
6. That the agreements shall be open-ended contracts with funds being encumbered contingent upon the availability of funds in the budget year. No services shall be rendered under the contract until the Chief Financial Officer has certified the availability of funds for such services.
7. That a notice of this action shall be printed once in the official newspaper of the Township of Stafford.
8. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.
9. A certified copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded by the Township Clerk to the following:
 - a. Honorable Greg Myhre, Mayor;
 - b. Matthew von der Hayden, Administrator;
 - c. Nicola Reid, Purchasing Agent;
 - d. Doug Gannon, Chief Financial Officer;
 - e. Kelly Karch, Animal Control Supervisor;
 - f. Jersey Shore Veterinary Emergency Service;
 - g. Ocean Acres Veterinary Office, LLC; and
 - h. Red Bank Veterinary Hospital of Linwood

CERTIFICATION

I, **LINDA MARTIN**, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Governing Body of the Township of Stafford at a meeting held on the **3rd** day of **January, 2023**.



LINDA MARTIN, RMC

MUNICIPAL TOWNSHIP CLERK, STAFFORD TOWNSHIP

CERTIFICATION OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

I, **DOUGLAS R. GANNON**, Chief Financial Officer for the Township of Stafford, do hereby certify that no amount shall be chargeable or certified until such time as the services are ordered or rendered. Prior to incurring the liability by placing the order or receiving the services, the certification of available funds shall be issued and attached to the file copy of the purchase order or such other such document.



DOUGLAS GANNON
Chief Financial Officer, Stafford Township
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