ORDINANCE 2022-03

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF LOWER ALLEN TOWNSHIP, CUMBERLAND COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOWER ALLEN, 1997 AT CHAPTER 23 INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATION, BY CREATING A NEW ARTICLE XIV, AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS TO SUBMIT A LETTER OF AGENCY TO THE PEPPM COOPERATIVE PURCHASING FOR THE JOINT PURCHASING OF CERTAIN GOODS AND SERVICES, INCLUDING ELECTRONICS AND TELEPHONIC SERVICES.

BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of Lower Allen Township, Cumberland County, Pennsylvania, ("Board") and it is hereby enacted and ordained by the authority of the same as follows:

SECTION 1: SHORT TITLE

This Ordinance shall be known and may be cited as the PEPPM Cooperative Purchasing Authorization.

SECTION 2: LEGISLATIVE INTENT AND APPLICABILITY

The background of this Ordinance and the legislative intention of the Board in enacting it are as follows:

- A. The Township of Lower Allen is a Municipality of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
- B. The PEPPM Cooperative Purchasing is a consortium of School Districts and other Public Agencies.
- C. The Act of December 19, 1996, P.L. 1158, No. 177, referred to as the **Intergovernmental Cooperation Law**, 53 Pa. C.S. §2301, *et seq.* provides that two or more Municipalities may jointly cooperate in the exercise or in the performance of their respective governmental functions, powers, or responsibilities.
- D. The **Pennsylvania First Class Township Code** authorizes Townships to enter into joint Municipal Agreements with other political subdivisions and member organizations, in making a joint purchase of services or to perform governmental powers and duties.
- E. The Board finds that it is in the best interest of its citizens to arrange for a joint contract with other Municipalities for the purchase of goods and services, including electronics and telephonic services.

SECTION 3: LETTER OF AGENCY APPROVED

Lower Allen Township ("Township") hereby approves submitting a Letter of Agency to be eligible to use the PEPPM contract for eligible purchases, with the understanding that by submitting the Letter of Agency the Township is not obligating itself to purchase from the PEPPM contract.

SECTION 4: IMPLEMENTATION

Lower Allen Township shall participate in the PEPPM Cooperative Purchasing purchasing contracts for goods and services, including electronics and telephonic services for an initial term of one (1) year to end June 30, 2023. Participation shall thereafter renew automatically for one-year periods unless the Township chooses to withdraw without penalty.

SECTION 5: SEVERABILITY

If any sentence, clause, phrase, or section of this Ordinance is for any reason found to be unconstitutional, illegal, or invalid, such unconstitutionality, illegality or invalidity shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provisions, sentences, clauses, phrases, sections, or parts of this Ordinance. It is hereby declared as the intention of the Board that this Ordinance would have been adopted had such unconditional, illegal, or invalid sentence, clause, phrase, section, or part thereof not been included therein.

SECTION 6: REPEALER

Any other Ordinance or parts thereof inconsistent with this Ordinance shall be and are hereby expressly repealed.

SECTION 7: EFFECTIVE DATE

ENACTED AND ORDAINED this 8th day of August, 2022.

ATTEST:

(Assistant) Secretary

Vice) President