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Township Council
1 Municipal Plaza
Bloomfield, NJ 07003

Louise M. Palagano
Municipal Clerk

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Meeting: 02/25/19 07:00 PM

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2019 RESOLUTION APPROVAL

RESOLUTION TO DEVELOP A PROGRAM FOR AN ELECTRIC PUBLIC UTILITY OR CABLE TELEVISION COMPANY TO NOTIFY AFFECTED RESIDENTS OF PLANNED VEGETATION MANAGEMENT

WHEREAS, the Vegetation Management Response Act bill (S2505/A2558) authorizes an electric public utility to utilize all available methods including, but not limited to, clearing, moving, cutting, or destroying to remove, replace, or maintain dangerous vegetation and to establish a program with a municipality to develop effective strategies to implement the provisions of the bill; and

WHEREAS, dangerous vegetation is defined to mean a tree, shrub, plant, or any other vegetation growing in, near, or adjacent to the electric public utility's right of way, and the electric distribution and transmission system, but not including a service line to an individual customer, which may fall into, touch, affect, or otherwise interfere with an electrical distribution line, as determined by the electric public utility or local government entity having control of the right-of-way; and

WHEREAS, an electric public utility or cable television company is not required to receive the permission of any county or municipal shade tree commission to undertake such work and is not subject to any penalty imposed by any commission as provided by law; and

WHEREAS, there is no opportunity for government entities nor private property owners to provide comment to the utility companies' notifications; and

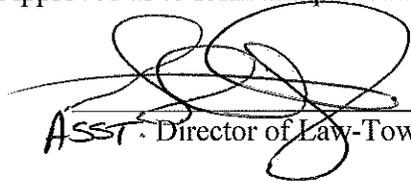
WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Township of Bloomfield value the aesthetic of the township and are concerned with excessive or unsightly tree pruning and tree removing, as well as the absence of the public’s voice in the process; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Bloomfield desires to work with utility companies to develop a program whereby the companies shall provide written notice of Vegetation Management to the affected property owner and the Township no later than 30 days prior to undertaking such work, and work with the public to accomplish the vegetation management in a reasonable and thoughtful manner.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor of the Township of Bloomfield or his designee is authorized to work with utility companies and television cable companies to develop a notification protocol for their vegetation management activities.

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Approved as to form and procedure on basis of facts set forth.

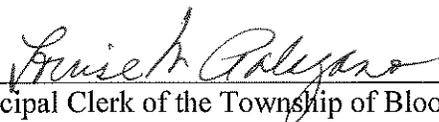

ASST. Director of Law-Township Attorney

I do hereby certify that the funding will be legally appropriated per the above information for the purpose specified in the attached contract. Furthermore, it has been represented to me that the contracts have been processed in accordance with the applicable provisions of New Jersey Local Public Contract Law and the Code of the Township of Bloomfield.

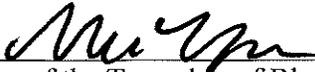


Chief Financial Officer

I hereby certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Bloomfield at a meeting of said Township Council held on February 25, 2019.



Municipal Clerk of the Township of Bloomfield



 Mayor of the Township of Bloomfield

✓ Vote Record – Resolution						
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