

MUNICIPALITY OF NORRISTOWN
A HOME RULE MUNICIPALITY
MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

RESOLUTION NO. 21-17 of 2021

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF NORRISTOWN AUTHORIZING A ONE YEAR EXTENSION OF THE FORENSIC DNA TESTING AND LOCAL DATABASE SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH BODE CELLMARK FORENSICS, INC., FOR FORENSIC DNA TESTING AND RELATED SERVICES.

WHEREAS, the Municipality of Norristown, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania (the “Municipality”) is a Home Rule Municipality; and

WHEREAS under the Home Rule Charter, including § 41.7-713, and under §4-35 of the Administrative Code the Municipality is authorized to enter into contracts for all lawful purposes from time to time; and

WHEREAS, professional or unique services and supplies is exempt from competitive bidding requirements under the Home Rule Charter, § 41.7-713. B.5, and the Administrative Code, § 4-35.A(5);

WHEREAS, the Municipality previously entered into a two-year professional services agreement with Bode Cellmark Forensics, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Laboratory Corporation of America Holdings for DNA testing, local database services, and other related services for the Norristown Police Department, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, the Municipality previously approved by Resolution 20-33 of 2020 a first amendment that included a one-year extension of the existing Agreement as well as other changes as set forth in the prior Resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Norristown Police Department recommends that the Municipality again renew the professional services agreement for an additional one-year term (new expiration date of January 22, 2022), with certain amendments as contained in the “SECOND AMENDMENT TO FORENSIC DNA TESTING AND LOCAL DATABASE SERVICES AGREEMENT” as attached hereto as Exhibit B;

WHEREAS, the requested amendments include: (1) a one-year extension of the existing Agreement; and (2) an updated fee schedule for services to be provided under the existing Agreement;

WHEREAS, under §4-35 the Director of Finance has certified to the Municipal Administrator that sufficient unencumbered funds are available for the purchase of the services as authorized by the budget; and

WHEREAS, under §4-35 all contracts in excess of **\$21,000** must be in writing and must be awarded by Municipal Council and executed by the Municipal Administrator; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Solicitor has reviewed all relevant purchase and contract documents;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Municipality of Norristown hereby approves the purchase as being in the best interests of the Municipality and authorizes the Municipality to enter into **“SECOND AMENDMENT TO FORENSIC DNA TESTING AND LOCAL DATABASE SERVICES AGREEMENT** with **Bode Cellmark Forensics, Inc** as attached collectively hereto as Exhibits A and B; **AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Municipal Administrator and the Director of Finance, or their designees, are authorized to take all necessary actions to complete the purchase including execution of the Agreement and any related documents.

ENACTED and **RESOLVED** this 16th day of February, 2021.

NORRISTOWN MUNICIPAL COUNCIL



By: _____
Derrick Perry
Council President

Attest _____
Crandall O. Jones
Municipal Administrator /
Municipal Secretary