

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NORTH BRUNSWICK  
AUTHORIZING THE WAIVER AND REIMBURSEMENT OF  
COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE  
2024 YOUTH SPORTS FESTIVAL**

**WHEREAS**, The North Brunswick Youth Sports Festival ("YSF") is a nonprofit organization that provides supplemental funding to youth sports groups in North Brunswick, including Adams AC Football and Cheerleading, the North Brunswick Soccer Club, the North Brunswick Baseball and Softball Association, and the North Brunswick Travel Basketball Association; and

**WHEREAS**, The North Brunswick Youth Sports Festival also provides direct support to the municipality through field maintenance and the purchase of sporting equipment; and

**WHEREAS**, The North Brunswick Youth Sports Festival makes an annual application to the Township to host its Sports Festival, which requires the use of municipal services; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Ordinance 19-09, which amended North Brunswick Municipal Code 166-1 et seq., and defined "Public Entertainment" as an event not hosted by the municipality but anticipating a large gathering, including but not limited to circuses, carnivals, fairs, festivals, concerts, exhibitions, car shows, parades, fundraisers, multi-team sporting events, and more; and

**WHEREAS**, under the municipal code, the applicant is responsible for the costs of all municipal services, including but not limited to Public Works, Parks, Office of Emergency Management, Fire Official services, and extra-duty Police services; and

**WHEREAS**, in May 2024, within Resolution 178-5.24, pursuant to Section 166 of the North Brunswick Township Code, the North Brunswick Youth Sports Festival requested the Township waive municipal fees under North Brunswick Municipal Code Section 166-1 et seq., citing its nonprofit status and the use of its funds to support youth programs and municipal operations; and

**WHEREAS**, after the event in July 2024, the North Brunswick Youth Sports Festival amended its request to seek reimbursement for off-duty Police and other municipal services, representing a portion of the total amount invoiced by the Township (Police: \$91,788.88; Public Works: \$5,791.23; Fire Safety: \$1,712.87; totaling \$99,292.98); and

**WHEREAS**, North Brunswick Township does not directly administer youth sports programs for baseball, softball, soccer, football, and cheerleading but relies on organizations such as the North Brunswick Baseball & Softball Association (NBSSA), the North Brunswick Soccer Association (NBSA), Adams Athletic Club, and North Brunswick Basketball (NBB) to offer these activities to residents; and

**WHEREAS**, the primary purpose of the Youth Sports Festival is to raise money to support these Youth Sports Organizations, thereby ensuring adequate funding for quality sports programs while saving taxpayer dollars; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 166-7C(2) requires a dollar-for-dollar valuation of municipal support that the applicant's organization has agreed to provide within the 12 months following the event, and the Youth Sports Festival has submitted a cash flow statement for January 2024 through July 2024, showing an ending balance of \$15,564.62, along with an affidavit confirming no other funds exist; and

**WHEREAS**, the Youth Sports Festival will be providing the entire \$15,564.62 to the Youth Sports Organizations over the next 12 months; and

**WHEREAS**, although the Youth Sports Festival has successfully supported the Township's Youth Sports Organizations in the past, its organizers have indicated that the festival may not be a viable source of funding in the future, and the Township has determined that future contributions to the Youth Sports Organizations will be made in the form of direct grants rather than through the festival; and

**WHEREAS**, it is understood between the Township and the Youth Sports Organizations that the reimbursement for the 2024 Youth Sports Festival will be the final financial reimbursement, contribution, or waiver by the Township for the festival, however it is titled or conducted; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 166-7C(2) requires a dollar-for-dollar valuation of municipal support for the Youth Sports Festival, which will be providing \$70,000.00 to the Youth Sports Organizations over the next 12 months; and

**WHEREAS**, fees for off-duty Police services are not eligible for waiver under Section 166 of the Township Code, but those fees may be reimbursed to the Youth Sports Festival by the Township; and

**WHEREAS**, reimbursement by the Township is contingent upon the North Brunswick Youth Sports Festival making full payment on the amounts invoiced by the PBA for extra-duty Police services, totaling \$91,788.88 under North Brunswick Municipal Code 166-1 et seq.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Township Council of the Township of North Brunswick hereby authorizes and acknowledges the request made by The North Brunswick Youth Sports Festival to waive and/or reimburse municipal fees associated with the 2024 festival; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Mayor has reviewed the amended request and recommends authorizing a reimbursement in the amount of **\$70,000.00**, contingent upon payment that was made in July to the PBA for extra-duty Police services in the amount of \$91,788.88; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that municipal fees for Public Works in the amount of **\$5,791.23** are hereby waived; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that municipal fees under the Fire Safety **\$1,712.87** are hereby waived; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, said reimbursement shall satisfy any request to waive municipal fees associated with the 2024 festival, providing for an agreed reimbursement; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Township Council hereby authorizes the Chief Financial Officer to issue payment in the amount of \$70,000.00 to the North Brunswick Youth Sports Festival as a special item not listed within the Bill list conditioned upon payment detailed herein above.

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Cavel Gallimore  
Chief Financial Officer

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Justine Progebin  
Business Administrator

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Ronald Gordon, Esq.  
Township Attorney  
Approved as to Legal Form

**RECORDED VOTE:**

<b>COUNCIL MEMBER</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>NOTES</b>
MEHTA				
GUADAGNINO				
ANDREWS				
DAVIS				
SOCIO				
HUTCHINSON				
MAYOR WOMACK				

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was duly adopted by the Township Council of the Township of North Brunswick, County of Middlesex, at its meeting held on September 16, 2024.

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Lisa Russo  
Township Clerk