



THE MAYOR AND BOROUGH COUNCIL  
of the  
BOROUGH OF GLEN RIDGE  
County of Essex  
State of New Jersey

RESOLUTION NO. 146 - 17

Monday, November 27, 2017

Offered By Councilor **MORROW**  
Seconded By Councilor

### **Designating Maplewood to Serve as Lead Municipal Agency as Part of the Sustainable Essex Alliance Energy Aggregation Program**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Glen Ridge strives to be a sustainable community by initiating and supporting environmental efforts aimed to preserve and maintain clean land, air and water; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Glen Ridge supports efforts to improve and increase the renewable content (“cleaner energy”) of our electricity supply; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Glen Ridge supports efforts to both lower residents’ electricity bills and reduce the environmental impact of their electrical usage, and

**WHEREAS**, the Government Energy Aggregation Act, N.J.S.A. 48:3-93.1 et seq. governs the establishment of a government energy aggregation program, which is a government-operated purchasing cooperative through which multiple energy consumers purchase energy together under the auspices of a government aggregator; and

**WHEREAS**, the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (“BPU”) has promulgated rules (N.J.A.C. 14:4-6) for the implementation of government energy aggregation programs; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Government Energy Aggregation Act, N.J.S.A. 48:3-93.1 et seq., the Borough of Glen Ridge seeks to participate in a Government Energy Aggregation Program (“Program”) for the purpose of obtaining cleaner energy at as low a cost as possible for residential and business participants in the Borough; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Glen Ridge is participating in a coalition of Essex county municipalities, the Sustainable Essex Alliance (“SEA”), for the purpose of pooling purchasing and negotiating power for better energy pricing and improved environmental attributes; and

**WHEREAS**, the SEA Council is comprised of representatives from all the involved towns, mostly municipal employees, elected officials, or appointees, who on behalf of their respective Boroughs shall make decisions regarding the Energy Aggregation Program, each town having a single vote on the Council, and

**WHEREAS**, Maplewood has agreed to be the Lead Agency in the Aggregation Program, meaning it will establish and manage the Program, including drafting the RFP for engaging the energy management consultant, and a rubric to assess responses to it, and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Glen Ridge members of the SEA will present the Glen Ridge Borough Council with the SEA's recommendation for the energy consultant, who will prepare ordinances, issue the required notifications, get the necessary approvals, and draft the bidding documents to solicit the third party energy supplier pursuant to the statutory requirements of Government Energy Aggregation Act, N.J.S.A. 48:3-93.1 *et seq.*

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Glen Ridge that:

1. The Borough of Glen Ridge be and is hereby authorized to participate in a Government Energy Aggregation Program; and The Borough of Maplewood agrees to serve as the Lead Agency in the Sustainable Essex Alliance Government Energy Aggregation Program; and
2. The Borough Administrator/Borough Clerk and the Deputy Borough administrator of the Borough of Glen Ridge may execute any document to fulfill the intent of this Resolution.

I, Michael J. Rohal, Borough Administrator/Clerk of the Borough of Glen Ridge, in the County of Essex and State of New Jersey, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Borough Council of the Borough of Glen Ridge, County of Essex State of New Jersey, at a regular meeting of said Council held on November 27, 2017.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Borough of Glen Ridge in the County of Essex and State of New Jersey, on this 27<sup>th</sup> day of November 2017.

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Michael J. Rohal, P.E., R.M.C., P.P.  
Borough Administrator/Clerk