

TOWNSHIP OF WALL

RESOLUTION NO. 19-0905

AUTHORIZATION FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF WALL TO SUBMIT A REQUEST TO THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO INSTALL "RED LIGHT AHEAD" FLASHING INTEGRATED TRAFFIC SIGNALS ON ROUTE 195/138 AS AN ADVANCED WARNING OF THE TRAFFIC LIGHT AT THE INTERSECTION OF ROUTE 138 AND ALLENWOOD ROAD IN WALL TOWNSHIP, NEW JERSEY

WHEREAS, the Township of Wall has been requesting attention from the New Jersey Department of Transportation to the dangerous conditions preceding the intersection of Route 138 East and Allenwood Road caused by the necessary presence of a traffic signal at that intersection for the better part of 10 years; and

WHEREAS, earlier this year NJDOT has notified the Township of a larger scale project to be undertaken along Route 138 that will encompass numerous improvements along that corridor including, at the request of the Township, the installation of said flashing "Red Signal Ahead" signals and other devices, designed to increase driver awareness of the upcoming signalized intersection in order to reduce if not eliminate future vehicular accidents; and

WHEREAS, as of this date, the actual start date of that project has not been determined but is estimated to be at least 3 years away; and

WHEREAS, there have been an inordinate number of accidents at this location including 410 since 2010, 99 of which occurred during the period 2016-2018 consisting of three (3) fatalities; and

WHEREAS, this past Monday September 9, 2019, yet another potentially catastrophic accident occurred when a fully loaded dump truck failed to stop at the light and proceeded to broadside an SUV driven by a Wall Township resident resulting in pushing the SUV east on Route 138 and onto the median only stopping when the dump truck tipped over landing on the SUV trapping the innocent motorist; and

WHEREAS, in order to reduce future catastrophic accidents involving Wall Township residents and the motoring public at large, the Township Administrator, Jeffrey Bertrand, on behalf of mayor Kevin Orender, and the Township Committee, requested NJDOT to expedite the requested "Red Light Ahead" signalization by separating it from the planned larger project; and

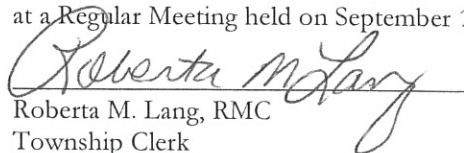
WHEREAS, NJDOT has confirmed that it will indeed undertake this portion of the project separate and apart and in advance of the larger planned project, contingent on Wall agreeing to pay 25% of the costs related thereto (in accordance with NJDOT Policy 346); and

WHEREAS, it is understood that the Township of Wall will have the opportunity to be advised of the actual costs associated with the 25% contribution prior to entering into the agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Wall, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The Township of Wall agrees to commit to contributing 25% contribution prior to entering into the agreement.
2. Authorizes the execution of an agreement with the NJDOT regarding the 25% cost share in a form that is prescribed by the NJDOT and reviewed by the Township Attorney.
3. The appropriate municipal official shall do such execution

I, Roberta M. Lang, Township Clerk of the Township of Wall, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Wall at a Regular Meeting held on September 11, 2019.


Roberta M. Lang, RMC
Township Clerk