

RESOLUTION 2026-_____

**AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN
INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT
BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF BETHLEHEM AND
HANOVER TOWNSHIP, NORTHAMPTON COUNTY,
PURSUANT TO 53 Pa. C.S.A. §2307, SAID AGREEMENT
TITLED “INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATION
AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN CITY OF BETHLEHEM
AND HANOVER TOWNSHIP, NORTHAMPTON COUNTY
RELATED TO RESPONSIBILITIES FOR POLICE, EMS
AND FIRE SERVICES”.**

WHEREAS, the CITY OF BETHLEHEM, is a municipal corporation being a City of the Third-Class, subject to the Optional Third-Class City Charter Law, organized and existing under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, its constituent parts being split by law between Northampton County and Lehigh County, Pennsylvania with principal administrative offices at City Hall, 10 E. Church Street, Bethlehem, PA 18018 (hereinafter referred to as “City”); and

WHEREAS, City owns certain property situate along Illick’s Mill Road and Schoenersville Road on which City operates and maintains various sports facility fields and a yard waste facility (hereinafter collectively referred to as “City Complex and Facilities”); and

WHEREAS, the City Complex and Facilities are located in Hanover Township, Northampton County; and

WHEREAS, in 1964, the Board of Supervisors of Hanover Township, Northampton County passed a resolution appointing the City Police Department as its duly authorized agent for the purposes of police protection for the City-owned property upon which the City Complex and Facilities are located; and

WHEREAS, the City and Hanover Township, Northampton County desire to enter into an intergovernmental cooperation agreement titled “Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement by and between City of Bethlehem and Hanover Township, Northampton County related to Responsibilities for Police, EMS and Fire Services” (the “Agreement”) to set forth responsibility for not only police protection, but also for EMS service and fire protection for the City-owned property upon which the City Complex and Facilities are located; and

WHEREAS, the duration of the Agreement shall be perpetual, unless terminated as provided therein.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, on this _____ day of _____, 2026, that the City Council of the City of Bethlehem, approves and ratifies the Intergovernmental

Cooperation Agreement titled “Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement by and between City of Bethlehem and Hanover Township, Northampton County related to Responsibilities for Police, EMS and Fire Services” attached hereto and that the Mayor and the Controller and/or such other City officials as deemed appropriate by the City Solicitor, are hereby authorized to execute the same on behalf of the City of Bethlehem.

Sponsored by /s/ _____

/s/ _____

ADOPTED by Council this _____ day of _____, 2026.

/s/ _____

President of Council

ATTEST:

/s/ _____

City Clerk