

BOROUGH OF HILLSDALE
RESOLUTION 19320

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF HILLSDALE
TO HIRE AN ADDITIONAL FULL TIME POLICE OFFICER
IN ORDER TO ASSIGN AN OFFICER “ON LOAN” TO FEDERAL AGENCIES**

WHEREAS, the Hillsdale Police Department wishes to participate in the “on-loan” assignment of a Police Officer to a federal agency to be utilized as a Task Force Officer; and

WHEREAS, in order that there be no lesser police protection available to the residents of Hillsdale, the Governing Body desires to hire an additional 20th Police Officer specifically for the sole purpose of facilitating the “on-loan” assignment of another officer to the Federal agency so that the number of police officers available to protect and patrol the Borough as well as provide a School Resource Officer to the local high school shall continue to be 19; and

WHEREAS, such assignment may result in significant revenues to the Borough from the borrowing Federal agency that would help offset, in whole or in part, the projected long-term expenses that the Borough would incur from adding an additional officer;

WHEREAS, these revenues, once realized and available to the Borough, are expected only to be applicable to help defray certain stipulated capital and operating expenses of Hillsdale’s police and law enforcement function, and

WHEREAS, the Hillsdale Police Department has agreed to use all these potential future revenues to reduce or eliminate entirely its reliance on what otherwise would be appropriated funding from the Borough, and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Borough for the Hillsdale Police Chief, in conjunction with the Borough Administrator and Certified Municipal Finance Officer, to monitor continuously the net financial impact upon the Borough of such an arrangement to insure that over the life of the “on-loan” assignment, the net cost to the Borough, after all expenses, is zero, and

WHEREAS, when the Borough no longer decides to participate in the program for whatever reason, the Borough will bring back the level of the police force to 19 officers as quickly as possible either through retirement of an officer or by a reduction in staff within a reasonable time, determined in writing by the Police Chief and the Borough Administrator.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of Hillsdale, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, that the Hillsdale Police Chief is hereby authorized to hire an additional (20th) officer for the purpose of designating an Officer “On-Loan” to assist federal agencies, as needed.

All other appropriate Borough professionals are hereby authorized and directed to take any and all steps necessary to effectuate the purposes of said plan. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the hiring of an additional Police Officer is conditioned upon the availability of funds and the amendment of any Ordinance that may limit the number of Police Officers within the Police Department to its present level of 19 officers.

Council member	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Absent	Abstain	Recuse
DeRosa, Anthony			X				
Escobar, John		X	X				
Horvath, Zoltan			X				
Lundy, Abby	X		X				
Pizzella, Frank			X				
Segalas, Steven			X				
Ruocco, John							

Adopted: December 31, 2019

Attest: Denise Kohan
Denise Kohan
Municipal Clerk

John Ruocco
John Ruocco
Mayor