

RESOLUTION #261-2023
AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF PUBLIC DEFENDER
JAMES SWIFT, ESQ.

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 2B:24-3 the Board of Commissioners of the City of Margate City, in the County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey have the authority to appoint a Municipal Public Defender to represent indigent defendants in the Margate City Municipal Court; and

WHEREAS, James P. Swift, Esquire, of Swift Law Firm, LLC, 1335 Tilton Road, Northfield, NJ 08225 has the necessary experience and qualifications to perform the duties of Municipal Public Defender; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey requires that every municipality identify its Municipal Public Defender and Alternate/Conflict Public Defender; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified to the City Commissioners that there are sufficient funds with an amount not to exceed \$4,800.00 available under Public Defender-Professional Fees 4-01-43-495-301, contingent upon sufficient funds being appropriated in the 2024 budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the City of Margate City, County of Atlantic and State of New Jersey that James P. Swift, Esquire, 1335 Tilton Road, Northfield, NJ 08225 is hereby appointed Municipal Public Defender for the City of Margate City for a term of one year commencing January 1, 2024.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in the event a substitute, conflict or cross complaint Public Defender is needed, the Municipal Court Administrator is authorized to appoint a substitute, conflict or cross complaint Public Defender as needed.

BE IT RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the following:

1. Maureen Larkin, Court Administrator
2. Lisa McLaughlin, Chief Financial Officer
3. James P. Swift, Esq., 1335 Tilton Rd., Northfield, NJ 08225

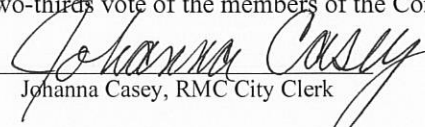
ROLL CALL:

NAME	MOTION	SECONDED	YES	NO	ABSTAINED	ABSENT
Collins		X	X			
Blumberg			X			
Horn	X		X			

DATE: November 16, 2023

CERTIFICATION

I, Johanna Casey, Clerk of Margate City, Atlantic County, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Commissioners of the City of Margate City at a meeting of said Commission held on November 16, 2023 and said resolution was adopted by not less than a two-thirds vote of the members of the Commission.


Johanna Casey, RMC City Clerk