

RESOLUTION NO. 2024- 472

RESOLUTION RATIFYING AND CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF ALFRED VERDEROSE ESQ., AS CONFLICT/ALTERNATE PUBLIC DEFENDER FOR THE CITY OF VINELAND AND MAURICE RIVER TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL COURTS AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT THEREFORE.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapter 24, Section 24- 7 of the Code of the City of Vineland, the position of conflict/alternate public defender, part time, is established and the appointment is made by the Mayor with the advice and consent of the City Council of the City of Vineland; and

WHEREAS, the City of Vineland and Township of Maurice River have entered into a Shared Services Agreement whereby the City will share the Court Professional with the Township in the operation of both municipal courts located within the Municipal Court of the City of Vineland; and

WHEREAS, the City of Vineland is entrusted with contacting individuals wishing to serve as Conflict/Alternate Public Defenders; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with NJSA 2B: 24 – 4, the position of public defender, part time, is a one year appointment, and said person so appointed shall continue to serve until reappointed or a successor is appointed and qualified; and

WHEREAS, it became necessary to appoint more than one public defender to serve in the event of a conflict or need for more than one public defender in certain cases and Alfred Verderose, Esq. has expressed an interest in serving in that capacity at a rate of \$325.00 per session; and

WHEREAS, by letter dated September 30, 2024, Mayor Anthony R. Fanucci appointed Alfred Verderose, Esq. and as Conflict\Alternate Public Defender, part time, and the City Council of the City of Vineland finds he meets all of the requirements to serve in the capacity of Conflict/Alternate Public Defender, part time.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Vineland as follows:

1. The appointment of Alfred Verderose, Esq. as Conflict/Alternate Public Defender part time, is hereby ratified and confirmed subject to any applicable pre-employment qualifications to commence upon taking the oath of office.
2. The salary for Alfred Verderose Esq., shall be \$325.00 per session in accordance with the salary ordinance of the City of Vineland.
3. The Mayor and Clerk are authorized to execute a Professional Services Agreement to commence October 1, 2024 and for a period expiring September 30, 2025 or until reappointment or a successor is appointed and qualified. Said Agreement shall be in the form and substance approved by the Solicitor for the City of Vineland.

Adopted:

President of Council

ATTEST:

City Clerk