# TOWN OF WINDSOR, COUNTY OF BROOME, STATE OF NEW YORK Authorizing a Fire Protection Contract with the Windsor Fire Company, Inc. Resolution #51-2025

**PRESENT**: Supervisor Timothy Harting

Deputy Supervisor Eric Beavers
Council Member Gary M. Hupman
Council Member Mark Odell
Council Daniel Colwell

At a Public Hearing Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Windsor, County of Broome, New York, held at the Town Hall, 124 Main Street, in the Village of Windsor on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2025, there were

## OFFERED BY: SECONDED BY:

**WHEREAS**, there has been duly established in the Town of Windsor a fire protection district known as Windsor Fire Protection District No. 4, embracing territory in said Town as is more fully described in the resolution establishing such district, and duly adopted by the Town Board of the said Town of Windsor on the 15th day of June, 1948, and

WHEREAS, due notice was given that a public hearing was held in the Town Hall at 124 Main Street in the Town of Windsor on 5<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2025, to consider a contract for the furnishing of fire protection to the aforesaid fire protection district, and notice duly specifying the time and place of the hearing as aforesaid and giving in general terms, the proposed contract having been duly published, and the said hearing having been held at the time and place specified and all persons interested in appearing having been heard, it is hereby

**RESOLVED**, that this action is a non-action under the State Environmental Quality Review Act; and thus, no further review is necessary, and it is further,

**RESOLVED,** that the Town Supervisor be and hereby is authorized and directed on behalf of the Town of Windsor to execute and enter into such a contract with the Windsor Fire Company, Inc. for the furnishing of fire protection for Fire Protection District No. 4, which said contract shall be in the form and contain the terms and provisions set forth herein and, in the agreement, annexed hereto and made a part of this resolution.

### **CERTIFICATION**

I, Elizabeth Pfister, do hereby certify that I am the Town Clerk of the Town of Windsor and that the foregoing constitutes a true, correct and complete copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Town Board of the Town of Windsor at a meeting thereof held at the Windsor Town Hall, 124 Main Street, Windsor, NY on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2025. Said resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Supervisor Timothy Harting	Voted -
Deputy Supervisor Eric Beavers	Voted -
Council Member Gary Hupman	Voted –
Council Member Mark Odell	Voted -
Council Member Daniel Colwell	Voted –

## Motion **Resolution Adopted:**

[Town of Windsor Seal]

Elizabeth Pfister Town Clerk of the Town of Windsor

#### **AGREEMENT**

Agreement made this 5<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2025, between the Town of Windsor, Broome County, New York, a municipal corporation located in the County of Broome, and the State of New York, hereinafter called the Town, and the Board of the Windsor Fire Company Inc., organized and existing under the laws of the State of New York, and having its principal office in the Windsor, Broome County, State of New York, hereinafter called the Fire Company

#### WITNESSETH THAT

WHEREAS, there has been duly established in the said Town of Windsor a fire protection district known as Windsor Fire Protection District No. 4 embracing territory in said Town as is more fully described in the resolution establishing such district, and duly adopted by the Town Board of the said Town of Windsor, and

**WHEREAS**, this contract shall be subject to a public hearing which with due notice a public hearing which will be held on 5<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2025 and following which public hearing the Board of the Town is expected to adopt a resolution authorizing this contract with the Fire Company for fire protection to and for Windsor Fire Protection District No. 4 on the terms and provisions herein set forth.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** the Town does hereby engage the Fire Company to furnish fire protection to and for Windsor Fire Protection Districts No. 4 as more fully described and set forth in Schedule A annexed hereto and the Fire Company agrees to furnish such protection to the said areas in the manner following, to wit:

- 1. The Fire Company shall at all times during the existence of this contract be subject to call for the attendance upon any fire occurring in the two designated areas of the said district and when notified of a fire within the said areas the Fire Company will respond and attend upon such fire without delay and with suitable apparatus and appliances properly manned. Upon arriving at the scene of the fire, the Fire Company and the firemen thereof shall proceed diligently and, in every way, reasonably possible to the extinguishment of the fire and the saving of life and property in connection therewith. Notwithstanding the foregoing, it is hereby mutually understood and agreed between the two parties hereto that the Fire Company, its officers or members shall not be liable for their failure to answer any such alarm or notice of fire as aforesaid if such failure is due to the impassability of the highways, absence of equipment from the community, breakdown of equipment and/or any other cause not within the control of the said Fire Company. The Fire Company further agrees that it will protect the said Town and/or the said Fire Protection District No. 4 from all liability and responsibility by reason of its own breach of and convents contained within this paragraph.
- 2. In consideration for the furnishing of aid and the use of its apparatus as aforesaid, the Fire Company shall receive the sum of Ten Thousand Six Hundred Twenty-Six Dollars and Seventy-Two Cents, (\$10,626.72) for each year so long as this contract shall be in effect and the Town agrees to pay the same on or about the 1<sup>st</sup> day of March during each year of the term of this contract.
  - 3. All monies to be paid to the Fire Company

- 4. All Monies paid to the Fire Company under the terms of this contract shall be a charge upon the said Fire protection districts to be assessed and levied upon the taxable property within the districts and collected with the Town Taxes.
- 5. It is mutually understood and agreed between the parties hereto that the Town by this contract shall assume no control of and or responsibility for the members of the Fire Company or any others employed by them carrying out this contract or any terms or provisions thereof and that the Fire Company enters into this agreement and assumes the responsibilities there under as an independent contractor retaining at all times full and complete control over its own members, over its own equipment and over any other persons employed by the said company on its behalf in carrying out the terms and obligations of this contract. It is further mutually covenanted and agreed between the parties thereto that the Town assumes no responsibility or liability for any damages to the fire apparatus or other equipment of the Fire Company or for any personal injuries or other injuries which may be suffered by the members of the Fire Company or by any other persons under their direction or employ or for any damages to the property of such members or such other persons in the course of carrying out the terms and conditions in this contract, except that, during the existence of the contract, all members of the Fire Company shall be protected under the Volunteer Firemen's Benefit Law of the State of New York and the said members of the Fire Company will engage in the performance of their duties and in answering calls or attending upon or returning from any call provided for under the terms and provisions of this contract, including the providing of emergency service pursuant to Section 209-b of the General Municipal Law, will have the same rights, privileges, and immunities as volunteer firemen and as provided for in the Volunteer Firemen's Law of the State of New York. In connection therewith, the Fire Company covenants and agrees upon its part that it will file with the Town Clerk of the Town of Windsor a list containing the names of all its members and that it will keep such list current at all times by informing and advising of any changes in said membership.
- 6. During the existence of this contract, the Fire Company agrees to secure and maintain suitable insurance, at its own expense, protecting the said Town from liability from any personal injury, or property damage. Further, the Fire Company agrees to provide at its own expense and maintain insurance protecting the said Town and the Fire Protection Districts against all liability and damages to members of the general public for injuries and damages to person or property suffered from the motor vehicles of the Fire Company while proceeding to and from calls and fires within the said protection districts. The insurance shall be in these amounts listed in Schedule "B."
- 7. The Fire Company covenants and agrees to extend to the Town complete and full cooperation in securing any additional insurance to protect and indemnify the Town against claims by members of the Fire Company or their families or any other person against the Town arising out of injuries or damages occasioned by the terms and conditions of this contract.

The Fire Company agrees to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the Town, its officers, employees, and agents from any and all claims, lawsuits, judgments, decisions, and all other incidents arising from claims under this contract.

8. This agreement shall continue for a period from January 1, 2026 until December 31, 2026 and thereafter until terminated by the service of a sixty-day notice in writing by either party hereto upon the other. The notice herein provided shall be served by registered mail.

**IN WITNESS HEREOF,** the parties hereto have duly executed and delivered this agreement and have caused their corporate seals to be hereunto affixed by their duly authorized officials the day and year first above written.

TOWN OF WINDSOR	
	BY:
Supervisor	
WINDSOR FIRE COMPANY INC.	
	BY:
President	
	BY:

## SCHEDULE "A"

Boundaries of Fire Protection District 4

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