

TOWN OF WESTFIELD
WESTFIELD NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION NO. 313- 2019

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

DECEMBER 10, 2019

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE UNION COUNTY
DEER MANAGEMENT PROGRAM IN THE TOWN OF WESTFIELD**

WHEREAS, the overpopulation of white-tailed deer in Brightwood Park and the wooded area of the conservation center has resulted in over browsing of native vegetation in this area, damage to greens and ornamental vegetation and created safety hazards for the public, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Westfield feels it is in the best interests of the Town to evoke services of individuals who are licensed crossbow hunters to manage the deer population in the aforementioned areas during the Winter January-February 2020 Deer Management Control Program administered by the County of Union;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Council hereby requests the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders authorize the County of Union staff to conduct deer management activity on the aforementioned town properties, to remove white-tailed deer from said property, in the manner prescribed by the Fish and Game Code of the State of New Jersey, during the Winter Season of 2020.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town of Westfield authorizes the execution of a shared services agreement with the County of Union for the services; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town of Westfield authorizes the Director of Public Works to coordinate with the County of Union through the County Department of Parks and Community Renewal, to provide adequate oversight and coordination in the conduct of the deer removal activity, to maximize the success of their efforts while ensuring the safety of Brightwood Park and the wooded area of the conservation center; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Board of Chosen Freeholder of the County of Union, the County Manager, and the New Jersey Division of Fish and Wildlife.

I hereby certify that the within Resolution is a true and exact copy of the Resolution adopted by the Westfield Town Council at their meeting of December 10, 2019.

Tara Rowley, RMC
Town Clerk