

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-20

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COATESVILLE, CHESTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF COATESVILLE TO PARTICIPATE IN A NATIONAL OPIOID SETTLEMENT WITH MCKESSON CORPORATION, CARDINAL HEALTH, INC., AND AMERISOURCEBERGEN CORPORATION.

WHEREAS, the City of Coatesville (hereinafter the “City”) is a Home Rule Municipality operating by means of a home rule charter and the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, §2964(1) (General powers of municipalities) of the Home Rule Charter and Optional Plans Law provides that municipalities adopting a home rule charter shall have the power to sue; and

WHEREAS, §2964(6) (General powers of municipalities) of the Home Rule Charter and Optional Plans Law provides that municipalities adopting a home rule charter shall have the power to adopt resolutions; and

WHEREAS, §2-214 (Official action) of the Charter of the City of Coatesville provides that all actions of the Council shall be taken by the adoption of an ordinance, resolution or motion; and

WHEREAS, on or about October 26, 2017, Eric D. Hargan, Acting Secretary of the Department of Health & Human Services, determined that a public health emergency existed nationwide as a result of the consequences of the opioid crisis; and

WHEREAS, on or about January 10, 2018, the Governor of Pennsylvania, Tom Wolf, declared a disaster emergency due to the opioid crisis and most recently renewed the declaration of disaster emergency on or about August 4, 2021; and

WHEREAS, litigation and settlements with pharmaceutical organizations regarding the opioid crisis have begun; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to participate in the settlement with certain pharmaceutical organizations; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that in consideration of the foregoing the Council of the City of Coatesville:

1. Authorizes the City to participate in the national opioid settlement with McKesson Corporation, Cardinal Health, Inc., and AmerisourceBergen Corporation.
2. Authorizes the City Manager to execute all documents necessary to effectuate the City’s participation in the national opioid settlement with McKesson Corporation, Cardinal Health, Inc., and AmerisourceBergen Corporation.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Council of the City of Coatesville has adopted and enacted this Resolution this 13th day of December, 2021.



Linda Lavender-Norris, Council President

ATTEST:



James Logan, City Manager

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the said Resolution duly adopted at a regular meeting of City Council held on December 13, 2021 and recorded in the minutes as such.