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[HISTORY: Adopted by the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Upper St. Clair 4-5-76 as part of Ord. No. 614. Amendments noted where applicable.]

GENERAL REFERENCES

Definitions and rules of interpretation - see Ch. 3.

Government organization - see Ch. 13.

§ 27.1. General provisions.

In accordance with § C-203 of the Home Rule Charter, the township may exercise any of its powers and functions jointly with other agencies in the following manner:

27.1.1. Written agreement. Any agreement in the form of a contract, lease, service pact or other legal document shall be in writing, approved by the Board of Commissioners, and shall expressly define the method of participation.

27.1.2. Financing. The financing arrangement of all cooperative agreements must be clearly defined in the articles of agreement, and, when necessary, separate funding accounts shall be established in the annual operating budget.

27.1.3. Representation. The method of township representation must be clearly defined in the articles of agreement, and any township representative must report on a quarterly basis to the Board of Commissioners with respect to the progress of programs and cooperative efforts.

§ 27.2. South Hills Area Council of Governments.

27.2.1. The township is a member municipality of the South Hills Area Council of Governments, an unincorporated association of municipalities, and the South Hills Area Council of Governments, Incorporated, a nonprofit corporation organized on a nonstock basis, pursuant to Ordinance No. 523, adopted September 4, 1973.

27.2.2. Membership by the township in said association and corporation shall continue until the township elects to withdraw in accordance with the articles and bylaws of the association and the corporation.

27.2.3. The Board of Commissioners will annually elect two (2) of its members to serve for one-year terms as the official representative and the alternate representative to the Board of Directors of the association and the corporation. The alternate representative will also

serve as the township's representative on the Regional Planning Association which is a subassociation of the South Hills Area Council of Governments, Incorporated.

27.2.4. Participation in any functions or programs of the association or corporation which requires a financial commitment must be approved by the Board of Commissioners. Funds for programs approved will be appropriated in the annual budget.

§ 27.3. Chartiers Valley District Flood Control Authority.

27.3.1. The township is a member municipality of the Chartiers Valley District Flood Control Authority as authorized by the Municipality Authorities Act of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.¹ Membership of the township in said Authority was authorized by the Board of Commissioners by Ordinance No. 175, adopted September 5, 1961.

27.3.2. Membership by the township in said Authority shall continue until the township elects to withdraw in accordance with the Municipality Authorities Act and the Articles of Incorporation of the Authority.

27.3.3. **[Amended 2-1-88 by Ord. No. 1308]** The Township Manager will serve as the official representative to the Authority.

27.3.4. Participation in any functions, programs or grants of the Authority which requires a financial commitment must be approved by the Board of Commissioners. Funds for programs approved will be appropriated in the annual budget.

§ 27.4. Upper St. Clair-Mt. Lebanon animal control program.²

27.4.1. The township is a party to the agreement between the Township of Upper St. Clair and the Home Rule Municipality of Mt. Lebanon for a joint animal control program. Participation in the program must be approved by the Board of Commissioners.

27.4.2. The township's participation in the program shall continue as approved by the Board of Commissioners until the township elects to withdraw in accordance with the agreement between the township and the Home Rule Municipality of Mt. Lebanon.

27.4.3. The Township Manager will direct and coordinate the township's participation in and operation of the joint animal control program.

27.4.4. Annual operational funds for participation in the joint program may be appropriated in the annual budget as approved by the Board of Commissioners.

§ 27.5. Upper St. Clair Township-Upper St. Clair School District joint programs.

¹Editor's Note: See 53 P.S. § 301 et seq.

²Editor's Note: See Ch. 41, Animals.

27.5.1. The township is a party to agreements between the township and the Upper St. Clair School District for programs in the areas of school grounds maintenance, tax collection, road maintenance, recreation facilities and programs and other program areas. Participation in all such programs must be approved by the Board of Commissioners.

27.5.2. The township's participation in the joint township-school district programs shall continue until the township elects to discontinue participation by advising the school district at least six (6) months in advance of the date of discontinuation of programs.

27.5.3. The Township Manager will direct and coordinate the township's participation in and operation of joint township-school district programs.

27.5.4. Annual operational funds and revenues for participation in the joint programs may be appropriated in the annual budget as approved by the Board of Commissioners.

§ 27.6. Commonwealth of Pennsylvania snow and ice control highway maintenance program. [Added 10-4-76 by Ord. No. 648]

27.6.1. The township is a party to an agreement between the Township of Upper St. Clair and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for a commonwealth highway snow and ice control program.

27.6.2. The township's participation in the program shall continue as approved by the Board of Commissioners until the Township elects to withdraw in accordance with the agreement between the township and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

27.6.3. The Township Manager will direct, coordinate and prepare monthly statements concerning the program.

27.6.4. Annual operational funds and revenue accounts for participation in the program may be provided in the annual budget as approved by the Board of Commissioners.

§ 27.7. Upper St. Clair-Scott Township fire code enforcement program. [Added 10-4-76 by Ord. No. 649]

27.7.1. The township is a party to an agreement between the Township of Upper St. Clair and the Township of Scott for a joint fire code enforcement program.

27.7.2. The township's participation in the program shall continue as approved by the Board of Commissioners until the township elects to withdraw in accordance with the agreement between the township and the Township of Scott.

27.7.3. The Township Manager will direct and coordinate the township's participation in the operation of the joint fire code enforcement program.

27.7.4. Annual operational funds and revenue accounts for participation in the joint program may be provided in the annual budget as approved by the Board of Commissioners.

**§ 27.8. Upper St. Clair Township/School District joint tax collection program.
[Added 1-3-78 by Ord. No. 755]**

27.8.1. The township is a party to an agreement between the Township of Upper St. Clair and the School District of Upper St. Clair for a joint tax collection program.

27.8.2. The township's participation in the program shall continue as approved by the Board of Commissioners until the township elects to withdraw in accordance with the agreement between the township and the School District.

27.8.3. The Township Manager will direct and coordinate the township's participation in and operation of the joint tax collection program.

27.8.4. Annual operational funds and revenue accounts for participation in the joint program may be provided for in the annual budget as approved by the Board of Commissioners.

**§ 27.9. Tri-community emergency and nonemergency medical services system.
[Added 2-20-78 by Ord. No. 763; amended 8-5-85 by Ord. No. 1149]**

27.9.1. The township is a party to an agreement between the Township of Upper St. Clair, the Borough of Bethel Park and the Township of South Park for a joint emergency and nonemergency medical transportation program.

27.9.2. The township's participation in the program shall continue as approved by the Board of Commissioners until the township elects to withdraw in accordance with the agreement between the township and the Borough of Bethel Park and the Township of South Park.

27.9.3. The Township Manager will direct and coordinate the township's participation in the operation of the joint emergency and nonemergency medical transportation program.

27.9.4. Annual operation funds and revenue accounts for participation in the joint program may be provided in the annual budget as approved by the Board of Commissioners.

**§ 27.10. Upper St. Clair - South Hills municipalities intermunicipal police assistance.
[Added 7-10-78 by Ord. No. 784]**

27.10.1. The township has proposed an agreement between the Township of Upper St. Clair and several South Hills municipalities for the provision of mutual police aid extending over municipal boundaries and into other municipalities.

27.10.2. The township's participation in the program shall continue as approved by the Board of Commissioners until the Township elects to withdraw in accordance with the provisions of the mutual aid agreements.

27.10.3. The Township Manager will direct and coordinate the township's participation in and operation of the mutual aid agreements program.

§ 27.11. Commonwealth of Pennsylvania comprehensive road maintenance. [Added 6-18-79 by Ord. No. 842]

27.11.1. The township has proposed an agreement between the Township of Upper St. Clair and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for a comprehensive maintenance program on designated state roads.

27.11.2. The township's participation in the program shall be outlined in an agreement to be approved by the Board of Commissioners.

27.11.3. The Township Manager will direct and coordinate the township's participation in and operation of the comprehensive road maintenance program.

§ 27.12. Youth counseling program. [Added 3-17-80 by Ord. No. 897]

27.12.1. The township is a party to an agreement between the Township of Upper St. Clair and the Municipality of Mt. Lebanon for a joint youth counseling program.

27.12.2. The township's participation in the program shall continue as approved by the Board of Commissioners until the township elects to withdraw in accordance with the agreement between the township and the Municipality of Mt. Lebanon.

27.12.3. The Township Manager will direct and coordinate the township's participation in the operation of the youth counseling program.

27.12.4. Annual operational funds and revenue accounts for participation in the joint program may be provided in the annual budget as approved by the Board of Commissioners.

§ 27.13. Traffic signal maintenance program. [Added 4-21-80 by Ord. No. 900]

27.13.1. The township is a party to an agreement between the Township of Upper St. Clair and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for traffic signal maintenance.

27.13.2. The township's participation in the program shall continue as approved by the Board of Commissioners until the township elects to withdraw in accordance with the agreement between the township and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

27.13.3. The Township Manager will direct and coordinate the township's participation in the operation of the traffic signal maintenance agreement.

§ 27.14. County of Allegheny snow and ice control highway maintenance program. [Added 11-2-81 by Ord. No. 971]

27.14.1. The township is a party to an agreement between the Township of Upper St. Clair and the County of Allegheny for a county highway snow and ice control program.

27.14.2. The township's participation in the program shall continue as approved by the Board of Commissioners until the township elects to withdraw in accordance with the agreement between the township and the County of Allegheny.

27.14.3. The Township Manager will direct and coordinate the program.

27.13.4. Annual operational funds and revenue accounts for participation in the program may be provided in the annual budget as approved by the Board of Commissioners.

§ 27.15. Upper St. Clair-Mt. Lebanon joint sewer program. [Added 2-3-86 by Ord. No. 1190]

27.15.1. The township has proposed an agreement between the Township of Upper St. Clair and the Municipality of Mt. Lebanon for a joint sewer maintenance program.

27.15.2. The township's participation in the program shall be outlined in an agreement to be approved by the Board of Commissioners.

27.15.3. The Township Manager will direct and coordinate the township's participation in and operation of the joint sewer maintenance program.

§ 27.16. Intergovernmental Purchasing Agreement between the Township of Upper St. Clair and the County of Allegheny. [Added 5-4-87 by Ord. No. 1266]

27.16.1. The township has proposed an agreement between the Township of Upper St. Clair and the County of Allegheny to permit municipalities to piggy-back purchase on County Contracts.

27.16.2. The township's participation in the program shall be outlined in an agreement to be approved by the Board of Commissioners.

27.16.3. The Township Manager shall be designated as the Township's Official representative for this program.

§ 27.17. Upper St. Clair-Bethel Park joint sewer program. [Added 9-5-89 by Ord. No. 1407]

27.17.1. The Township has proposed an agreement between the Township of Upper St. Clair and the Municipality of Bethel Park for a joint storm water management and sanitary sewage conveyance program.

27.17.2. The Township's participation in the program shall be outlined in an agreement to be approved by the Board of Commissioners.

27.17.3. The Township Manager will direct and coordinate the Township's participation in and operation of the joint program.

§ 27.18. Township of Upper St. Clair/Peters Township Joint Leaf Collection and Composting Program. [Added 10-1-90 by Ord. No. 1456]

27.18.1. The Township has proposed an agreement between the Township of Upper St. Clair and Peters Township for a Joint Leaf Collection and Composting Program.

27.18.2. The Township's participation in the program shall be outlined in an agreement to be approved by the Board of Commissioners.

27.18.3. The Township Manager will direct and coordinate the Township's participation in and operation of the Joint Leaf Collection and Composting.

§ 27.19. Township of Upper St. Clair Leaf Collection and Composting Services in cooperation with neighboring Communities. [Added 11-2-92 by Ord. No. 1555]

27.19.1. The Township may propose agreements between the Township and neighboring communities for various leaf waste composting services and programs.

27.19.2. The Township's participation in leaf waste composting services and programs shall be outlined in an agreement to be approved by the Board of Commissioners.

27.19.3. The Township Manager will direct and coordinate the Township's participation and operating of leaf collection and composting services and programs.

§ 27.20. Allegheny County Library Association. [Added 12-5-94 by Ord. No. 1651]

27.20.1. The Township is a member of the Allegheny County Library Association (ACLA), a non-profit corporation which has been established to develop a county-wide plan of sharing resources and services among Allegheny County public libraries; to encourage and

promote cooperation between and among Allegheny County libraries; to promote public awareness of the importance of community libraries as a regional asset; and strengthen existing resources and library services through joint application for government and private funds.

27.20.2. The Township Manager will direct and coordinate the Township's participation in the ACLA.