

**ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
COUNTY OF ESSEX**

**ORDINANCE NO.** 0-2023-00002 **AUTHORITY FOR ORDINANCE:** N.J.S.A. 40:41A-38(n)

**PROPOSED BY:** COUNTY EXECUTIVE **AUTHORITY FOR ACTION:** N.J.S.A. 40:41A-36(i)

**SUBJECT:**  
**ORDINANCE APPROVING THE CREATION OF THE ESSEX COUNTY OFFICE OF PUBLIC HEALTH MANAGEMENT AS A DIVISION OF THE ESSEX COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND REHABILITATION.**

**WHEREAS**, the optional County Charter Law, N.J.S.A. 40:41A-1 et. seq. ("Act") authorizes counties established thereunder to determine the manner in which governmental functions are to be organized and provided; and

**WHEREAS**, as Act and N.J.S.A. 11 AA-16 and N.J.A.C. 4A:4-7.11 of the Civil Service Act and regulations authorize the restructuring and transfer of governmental functions between County Offices, Divisions and Agencies; and

**WHEREAS**, the Essex County Executive has requested Commissioner approval of the creation of the Essex County Office of Public Health Management as a Division of the Essex County Department of Health and Rehabilitation; and that there be an amendment to the Essex County Administrative Code to create the Essex County Office of Public Health Management as a Division of the Essex County Department of Health and Rehabilitation; and

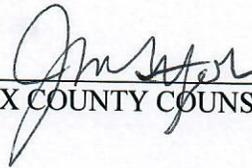
**WHEREAS**, the board approves the creation of the Essex County Office of Public Health Management as a Division of the Essex County Department of Health and Rehabilitation; now, therefore, be it

**ORDAINED**, by the Essex County Board of Commissioners:

1. That there shall be created the Essex County Office of Public Health Management as a division of the Essex County Department of Health and Rehabilitation.
2. That the Essex County Administrative Code, established by Ordinance 00089, as amended and said Ordinance are hereby Amended, as follows:
  - a. Section 2-70 is hereby amended to add the Essex County Office of Public Health Management as a Division of the Essex County Department of Health and Rehabilitation.
3. That the County Administration shall take such other and further action as may be necessary and appropriate to implement and effectuate said addition.

4. That a public hearing shall be held on this Ordinance shall be held on February 1, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. at the Hall of Records, Room 506, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Blvd., Newark, NJ 07102
5. That the Clerk of the Board shall publish and distribute this Ordinance in accordance with the provisions of the Optional County Charter Law.
6. That is Ordinance shall take effect at the time and in the manner prescribed by law.
7. That the Clerk of the Board shall forward certified copies of this Ordinance, upon adoption, to Joseph DiVincenzo, Jr., County Executive, Director Frank J. Del Gaudio, Essex County Department of Health and Rehabilitation, Maya Lordo, Essex County Health Officer, Robert D. Jackson, County Administrator and Jerome St. John, Essex County Counsel.

Approved as to form and legality \_\_\_\_\_

  
ESSEX COUNTY COUNSEL

**RECORD OF VOTE: X=Vote N.V.=Abstention ABS=Absent**

**FIRST READING**

Moved by Commissioner Cooper  
Seconded by Commissioner Mercado

**SECOND READING**

Moved by Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_  
Seconded by Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_

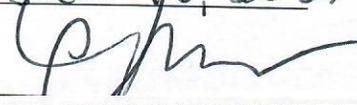
Commissioner	Yes	No	N.V.	ABS	Commissioner	Yes	No	N.V.	ABS
COOPER	✓				COOPER				
GILL	✓				GILL				
GRAHAM	✓				GRAHAM				
JOHNSON				✓	JOHNSON				
LUCIANO	✓				LUCIANO				
MERCADO	✓				MERCADO				
POMARES, V.P.	✓				POMARES, V.P.				
RICHARDSON, President				✓	RICHARDSON, President				
SEBOLD	✓				SEBOLD				

Date Mailed to Municipal Clerks 1-20-23  
Date Public Hearing 2-1-23  
Date Published 1-24-23

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Date Published \_\_\_\_\_

It is hereby certified that the foregoing Ordinance was

adopted ( ) defeated ( ) tabled by roll call vote at regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Essex, New Jersey, held on Jan 18, 2023

  
CARLOS M. POMARES, VICE PRESIDENT

It is hereby certified that the foregoing Ordinance

was ( ) adopted ( ) defeated ( ) tabled by roll call vote at \_\_\_\_\_ meeting of the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Essex, New Jersey, held on \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Wayne L. Richardson, President

The foregoing Ordinance has been duly presented to me on \_\_\_\_\_  
I hereby ( ) approve ( ) disapprove the same on \_\_\_\_\_  
Returned and filed \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Deborah Davis Ford, Clerk

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Joseph N. DiVincenzo Jr., County Executive

January 18, 2023  
Meeting Back-up  
Documentation for  
Ordinance No. 02



COUNTY OF ESSEX

DECISION MEMORANDUM

COUNTY EXECUTIVE

BOARD AGENDA ITEM

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

DEPARTMENT: \_\_\_\_\_

DIVISION: \_\_\_\_\_

TO: Robert Jackson - County Administrator

FROM: Jerome St. John – Essex County Counsel *Jms*

DATE: December 22, 2022

RE: **ORDINANCE APPROVING THE CREATION OF THE ESSEX COUNTY OFFICE OF PUBLIC HEALTH MANAGEMENT AS A DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND REHABILITATION**

**INTRODUCTION**

As a result of the COVID-19 global pandemic, the Essex County Department of Health (Division of Community Health Services) has increased in both the number of professional employees and services provided to Essex County residents. The Essex County Executive has requested Commissioner approval of the creation of the Essex County Office of Public Health Management as a Division of the Essex County Department of Health and Rehabilitation and that there be an amendment to the Essex County Administrative Code to create the Essex County Office of Public Health Management as a Division of the Essex County Department of Health and Rehabilitation.

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Essex County Board of Commissioners introduce and adopt an ordinance which would create the Essex County Office of Public Health Management as a Division of the Essex County Department of Health and Rehabilitation. In order to create this Division, the Board of County Commissioners must amend the administrative code. See N.J.S.A. 40:41A-1 et seq.

**REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION**

The Administration recommends the creation for purposes of economy and efficiency. The creation of this Division will allow for increased grant opportunities, assist with obtaining nationally recognized accreditation, and create a separate identity to pursue expanded public health services and programs.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

The Essex County Health Department is currently 100% grant funded for employee salaries, equipment/supplies, and associated services. The creation of the Division would have no increased fiscal impact on the County budget.

### **CONCLUSION**

It is recommended that the Essex County Board of Commissioners introduce and adopt an ordinance which would create the Essex County Office of Public Health Management as a Division of the Essex County Department of Health and Rehabilitation.