

**EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
CHESTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

RESOLUTION NO. 2026 – 11

**A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AND FUND A FOOD-SCRAPS DIVERSION AND
COMPOSTING PILOT PROJECT PROPOSED BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL & SUSTAINABILITY
ADVISORY COUNCIL (ESAC)**

WHEREAS, compostable organic waste—such as kitchen food scraps and yard clippings—represents approximately 30% of residential trash and contributes to landfill volume and greenhouse gas emissions; and

WHEREAS, composting this material could provide multiple economic and environmental benefits, such as 1) reduced landfill costs, methane emissions, and wastewater treatment burden, and 2) nutrient-rich fertilizer and improved soil moisture retention for landscaping and gardening; and

WHEREAS, other local municipalities have implemented long-term, full-scale food-scraps diversion and composting programs; and

WHEREAS, a recent community survey in East Goshen Township (EGT) suggests strong interest in composting options; and

WHEREAS, a structured short-term pilot project could demonstrate whether a sufficient number of EGT residents would sustain the cost and change of habits that a long-term, full-scale program would entail, and could indicate, positively or negatively, the viability of such a program for EGT; and

WHEREAS, the township's Environmental & Sustainability Advisory Council (ESAC), to test the feasibility of a long-term program, has designed a pilot project for up to 50 EGT households, involving curbside collection of kitchen food scraps, for 5 months from August to December 2026, as described in *Exhibit A*.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Supervisors of the Township of East Goshen hereby approves ESAC's implementation and coordination of the short-term composting pilot program as described, approves a short-term contract with a local composting contractor and the cost-share expenditure of \$2500, and authorizes ESAC to monitor, evaluate, and report on the pilot program's performance at its conclusion.

RESOLVED AND ADOPTED, this 21st day of July, 2026.

ATTEST:

EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS


Derek J. Davis, Secretary


Cody Bright, Chair


Barbara Emery, Vice Chair


Ann Duffield, Member

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Peter Hicks, Member

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Larry Massaro, Member