# COUNTY OF SUMMIT REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES August 29, 2022

A Caucus was held prior to the meeting to discuss Agenda items. Council members Darrow, DeVitis, Dickinson, Donofrio, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Sims, Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite were present.

Council President Elizabeth Walters and the Executive's Office presented a joing commendation to Dean Martin Belsky of the University of Akron's School of Law on the occasion of his retirement.

Dr. Jennifer Savitski from Cleveland Clinic/Akron General addressed Council regarding the Cleveland Clinic Community Health Fair behing held on September 22, 2022.

The following items were addressed before Council at the Caucus:

| 2022-250 | Brian Harnak from the Law Department addressed Council on this first reading passage request.                                 |
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| 2022-251 | Olivia Marcis from the Community and Economic Development Department addressed Council on this first reading passage request. |
| 2022-252 | David Horner from the Court of Common Pleas, Juvenile Division addressed Council on this first reading passage request.       |
| 2022-253 | Phil Montgomery from the Executive's Office addressed Council on this first reading passage request.                          |

The Council Regular Meeting was called to order at 04:30 PM in Council Chambers.

ROLL CALL- Present: Mrs. Darrow, Mr. DeVitis, Ms. Dickinson, Mr. Donofrio, Mrs. McKenney, Mrs. Rodgers, Mr. Schmidt, Ms. Sims, Ms. Walters, Ms. Wiedie Higham, Mr. Wilhite; Absent:

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL: Mr. Wilhite moved to approve the minutes of the regular Council meeting(s) held August 15, 2022.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Darrow, DeVitis, Dickinson, Donofrio, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Sims, Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite

The Minutes were approved 11-0.

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### ANNOUNCEMENT FROM EXECUTIVE:

#### ANNOUNCEMENT OF OFFICEHOLDERS:

### **MOTIONS FOR COUNCIL**

M-038-2022 A Motion of Council confirming the appointment of Kandice Lacy (replacing the late Rashara Walker) with David Horner as Alternate to the Child Fatality Review Board.

Movant - Ms. Walters

Mr. Wilhite moved to approve.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Darrow, DeVitis, Dickinson, Donofrio, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Sims,

Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Motion M-038-2022 was approved.

M-039-2022 A Motion of Council confirming the appointment of Cassandra Holtzmann (replacing Julie Barnes) with Catherine Pomeroy Van Horne as Alternate, to the Criminal Justice Advisory Board.

Movant - Ms. Walters

Mrs. Rodgers moved to approve.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Darrow, DeVitis, Dickinson, Donofrio, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Sims,

Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Motion M-039-2022 was approved.

M-040-2022 A Motion of Council confirming the appointment of Fire Chief George Seifert (replacing District Chief Floyd Easley) to the Building Standards Board of Appeals.

Movant - Ms. Walters

Mr. Schmidt moved to approve.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Darrow, DeVitis, Dickinson, Donofrio, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Sims,

Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Motion M-040-2022 was approved.

### M-041-2022 A Motion of Council confirming the reappointment of Mr. Aaron Wright to the Building Standards Board of Appeals.

Movant - Ms. Walters

Ms. Wiedie Higham moved to approve.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Darrow, DeVitis, Dickinson, Donofrio, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Sims,

Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Motion M-041-2022 was approved.

### M-042-2022 A Motion of Council confirming the reappointment of Ms. Frances Kline to the Humane Commission.

Movant - Ms. Walters

Ms. Dickinson moved to approve.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Darrow, DeVitis, Dickinson, Donofrio, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Sims,

Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Motion M-042-2022 was approved.

# M-043-2022 A Motion of Council confirming the appointment of Joseph Eckenrode (replacing Brian Clark as second alternate for Executive Shapiro) to the Northeast Ohio Four-County Regional Planning & Development Organization (NEFCO) General Policy Board.

Movant - Ms. Walters

Ms. Sims moved to approve.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Darrow, DeVitis, Dickinson, Donofrio, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Sims,

Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Motion M-043-2022 was approved.

## M-044-2022 A Motion of Council confirming the appointments of Ms. Erin Dickinson (replacing Elizabeth Walters) and Ms. Christine Wiedie Higham (replacing the late Jerry Feeman) to the Planning Commission.

Movant - Ms. Walters

Mr. Wilhite moved to approve.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Darrow, DeVitis, Dickinson, Donofrio, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Sims,

Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Motion M-044-2022 was approved.

## M-045-2022 A Motion of Council confirming the appointment of Ms. Rita Darrow (replacing Ms. Elizabeth Walters) to the Community Development Block Grant Committee.

Movant - Ms. Walters

Ms. Sims moved to approve.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Darrow, DeVitis, Dickinson, Donofrio, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Sims,

Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Motion M-045-2022 was approved.

# M-046-2022 A Motion of Council confirming the appointment of Sgt. John Ross as Alternate to Lt. Michael Rinn, Dr. Kristy Waite (replacing Dr. Robert Shott) as Alternate to Dr. Lisa Kohler, Jocelyn Davis as Alternate to Karen Frantz, and Beth Gracey as Alternate to Aimee Wade, to the Child Fatality Review Board.

Movant - Ms. Walters

Ms. Sims moved to approve.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Darrow, DeVitis, Dickinson, Donofrio, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Sims,

Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Motion M-046-2022 was approved.

### **FIRST READINGS**

2022-250

A Resolution approving the 2022 wage reopener as agreed between the County of Summit and Local 1229 of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, AFL-CIO (Legal Division of Clerk of Courts), for the second year of the parties' Collective Bargaining Agreement, from 4/1/22 through 3/31/23, for the Executive and the Clerk of Courts, and declaring an emergency.

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net

Ms. Wiedie Higham moved to suspend Council Rule 8.01 (A): the requirement of three readings at a Regular Council meeting.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Darrow, DeVitis, Dickinson, Donofrio, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Sims,

Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Ms. Wiedie Higham moved to adopt.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Darrow, DeVitis, Dickinson, Donofrio, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Sims,

Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Resolution 2022-250 was adopted.

2022-251

A Resolution authorizing the Executive to execute a Foreign Trade Zone Operator agreement with Jo-Ann Stores, LLC, located in the City of Hudson, in Council District 3, for the Executive, and declaring an emergency.

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net

Ms. Sims moved to suspend Council Rule 8.01 (A): the requirement of three readings at a Regular Council meeting.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Darrow, DeVitis, Dickinson, Donofrio, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Sims,

Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Ms. Sims moved to adopt.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Darrow, DeVitis, Dickinson, Donofrio, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Sims,

Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Resolution 2022-251 was adopted.

# A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a purchase contract with Blue Technologies, Inc., at State Term Pricing, for thirteen (13) Konica Minolta copier machines, for the Juvenile Court, in an amount not to exceed \$93,751.00, for the Court of Common Pleas—Juvenile Division, and declaring an emergency.

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

Staff Contact: Kent Starks, (330) 643-2074, kstarks@summitoh.net

Mr. Wilhite moved to suspend Council Rule 8.01 (A): the requirement of three readings at a Regular Council meeting.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Darrow, DeVitis, Dickinson, Donofrio, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Sims,

Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Mr. Wilhite moved to adopt.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Darrow, DeVitis, Dickinson, Donofrio, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Sims,

Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Resolution 2022-252 was adopted.

## A Resolution appropriating funds in order to meet projected expenditures for the balance of 2022 as set forth in Exhibit A, for the Executive's Department of Finance and Budget, and declaring an emergency.

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

Staff Contact: Kent Starks, (330) 643-2074, kstarks@summitoh.net

Mr. Donofrio moved to suspend Council Rule 8.01 (A): the requirement of three readings at a Regular Council meeting.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Darrow, DeVitis, Dickinson, Donofrio, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Sims,

Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Mr. Donofrio moved to adopt.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Darrow, DeVitis, Dickinson, Donofrio, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Sims,

Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Resolution 2022-253 was adopted.

A Resolution amending Resolution No. 2021-147 to change the contract period to a one-year agreement with one option to renew for a four-year term, for a professional service contract with AccordWare, LLC for online benefit enrollment services through its BenXpress enrollment system, and to renew said agreement for an amount not to exceed \$484,000.00 for the four-year renewal period, from 8/1/22 through 7/31/26, for the Executive's Department of Human Resources, Division of Employee Benefits, and declaring an emergency.

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net

Committee First Readings

A Resolution amending Resolution No. 2021-170 to change the contract period to a one-year agreement with one option to renew for a four-year term, for a professional service contract with NFP Corporate Services OH, Inc. for general consulting services for health and wellness benefits, and to renew said agreement for an amount not to exceed \$955,000.00, for the four-year renewal period, from 10/1/22 through 9/30/26, for the Executive's Department of Human Resources, Division of Employee Benefits, and declaring an emergency.

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net

Committee First Readings

A Resolution certifying Special Surface Water Management District charges to the Fiscal Officer, for the Engineer, and declaring an emergency.

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net

Committee First Readings

A Resolution rescinding Resolution No. 2022-156 which awarded a construction contract to Rudzik Excavating, Inc. and confirming the award by the Board of Control authorizing the Executive to execute a construction contract with Wingfoot Rental & Development Co. for the Q-615 Pump Station No. 81 Force Main Replacement Project, located in the City of Tallmadge, in Council District 6, in an amount not to exceed \$294,861.50, for the Executive's Department of Sanitary Sewer Services, and declaring an emergency.

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net

A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a purchase contract with Kimble Recycling and Disposal, Inc., for the disposal of sludge from both the Fishcreek Wastewater Treatment Plant #25, located in the City of Stow, in Council District 3, and the Upper Tuscarawas Wastewater Treatment Plant #36, located in Springfield Township, in Council District 8, to a solid waste landfill, for a three year term, from 7/1/22 to 6/30/25, in an amount not to exceed \$819,405.00, for the Executive's Department of Sanitary Sewer Services, and declaring an emergency.

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net

Committee First Readings

A Resolution declaring the week of October 16th–22nd, 2022 as Stormwater Awareness Week in Summit County, recognizing the effects of stormwater runoff on the infrastructure and environment, for the Executive, and declaring an emergency.

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net

Committee First Readings

A Resolution authorizing the Executive to enter into agreements for the acquisition of standard highway and temporary easements at 2700 and 2813 Myersville Road, located in Springfield Township, in Council District 8, in a total amount not to exceed \$7,939.00, as part of the Pressler Road Bridge Replacement Project for the Engineer, and declaring an emergency.

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net

Committee First Readings

A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of Change Order No. 2 to a construction contract with Krumroy-Cozad Construction, Inc. for the Summit County Jail Video Arraignment Project at the Jail, located in the City of Akron, in Council District 4, in an amount not to exceed \$86,015.37, (for a cumulative increase of 156.2%) for a total amount not to exceed \$519,565.37, for the Executive's Department of Administrative Services—Physical Plants, and declaring an emergency.

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net

Committee First Readings

A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a professional service contract with Roetzel Consulting Solutions, as a Best Practical Source, to provide economic development strategy, project management and consulting services to the County, for the period 9/1/22 through 8/31/23, with two options to renew for additional one-year terms, in an amount not to exceed \$90,000.00, for the Executive's Department of Community and Economic Development, and declaring an emergency.

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net

2022-263

A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a professional service contract with United Way of Summit and Medina, as a Best Practical Source, to provide Adult Protective Services after hours call response and 2-1-1 information and referral line services to assist low income families in accessing non-profit and government services to meet basic needs, for the period 10/1/22 through 9/30/23, in an amount not to exceed \$130,000.00, for the Executive's Department of Job and Family Services, and declaring an emergency.

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro & Council as a Whole

Staff Contact: Kent Starks, (330) 643-2074, kstarks@summitoh.net

Committee First Readings

2022-264

A Resolution declaring the month of October 2022 as Breast Cancer Awareness Month in Summit County, recognizing our survivors, our loved ones lost to breast cancer, and our caregivers that supported them throughout their battles, reaffirming the need for early detection and a cure for breast cancer, and encouraging residents to wear pink on October 23, 2022, for the Council and the Executive, and declaring an emergency.

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro & Council as a Whole

Staff Contact: Kent Starks, (330) 643-2074, kstarks@summitoh.net

Committee First Readings

2022-265

A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a purchase contract with the Metro Regional Transit Authority, to provide Non-Emergency Medical Transportation Broker services for a one-year term, from 10/1/22 through 9/30/23, with two options to renew for additional one-year terms, in an amount not to exceed \$670,000.00, for the Executive's Department of Job and Family Services, and declaring an emergency.

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

Staff Contact: Kent Starks, (330) 643-2074, kstarks@summitoh.net

Committee First Readings

2022-266

A Resolution confirming the award of the Board of Control of professional service contracts authorizing the Executive to disburse funds, including those that exceed an aggregate of \$50,000.00, to all Non-Emergency Medical Transportation providers operating under contract with the Executive's Department of Job and Family Services in Federal Fiscal Year 2023, for the period 10/1/22 through 9/30/23, with two options to renew for additional one-year terms, in an estimated total amount not to exceed \$3,500,000.00, for the Executive's Department of Job and Family Services, and declaring an emergency.

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

Staff Contact: Kent Starks, (330) 643-2074, kstarks@summitoh.net

A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a purchase contract with Nesco Resource, LLC fka Callos Resource LLC, for payroll services for the period 10/1/22 through 9/30/23, for various youth employment programs, including summer youth and year-round programs, with three options to renew for additional one-year terms, in an amount not to exceed \$1,395,683.95, for the Executive's Department of Job and Family Services, and declaring an emergency.

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

Staff Contact: Kent Starks, (330) 643-2074, kstarks@summitoh.net

Committee First Readings

A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of professional service contracts with certain providers for State Fiscal Year 2023 Temporary Assistance to Needy Families funded services, from 10/1/22 through 9/30/23, in a total amount not to exceed \$1,720,000.00, for the Executive's Department of Job and Family Services, and declaring an emergency.

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

Staff Contact: Kent Starks, (330) 643-2074, kstarks@summitoh.net

Committee First Readings

A Resolution declaring the month of October 2022 as National Arts and Humanities Month in Summit County, for the Executive, and declaring an emergency.

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro & Council as a Whole

Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net

Committee First Readings

A Resolution declaring October 3, 2022, as North American First People's Day in Summit County, honoring the history and culture of Native Americans, acknowledging the efforts to preserve this history in the United States, in the State of Ohio, and in Summit County, and encouraging residents to join in the acknowledgement, for the Executive, and declaring an emergency.

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro & Council as a Whole

Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net

Committee First Readings

A Resolution approving a salary range adjustment for unclassified non-bargaining positions of the Medical Examiner, Chief Deputy Medical Examiner and Deputy Medical Examiner, for the Executive, and declaring an emergency.

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net

### Routine Agenda Motion(s)

Ms. Dickinson moved to suspend Council Rule 8.01 (A): the requirement of three readings at a Regular Council meeting.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Darrow, DeVitis, Dickinson, Donofrio, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Sims, Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite

Motion passed

Ms. Dickinson moved to adopt.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Darrow, DeVitis, Dickinson, Donofrio, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Sims, Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite

Motion passed

The Route Agenda was adopted 11-0.

### ROUTINE LEGISLATION UNANIMOUSLY AGREED TO BY COMMITTEE

A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a purchase contract with Protech Security, Inc., at State Term pricing, for the purchase and installation of security cameras at the Ohio Building, all three Courthouse buildings, County Parking Deck, Safety Building and the Engineer's Office, located in the City of Akron, in Council Districts 4 & 5, in an amount not to exceed \$509,598.00, for the Executive's Department of Administrative Services – Physical Plants, and declaring an emergency.

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net

Resolution 2022-245 was adopted.

2022-246

A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a twelve month extension to a purchase contract for HVAC maintenance with The K Company, Inc., for the Jail, located in the City of Akron, in Council District 4, extending the original term of the contract for the period of 7/1/22 through 6/30/23, and providing an additional amount not to exceed \$84,900.00, (a 32.09% cumulative increase) for a total contract amount not to exceed \$349,400.00, for the Executive's Department of Administrative Services-Physical Plants, and declaring an emergency.

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net

Resolution 2022-246 was adopted.

A Resolution authorizing the Executive to execute a grant agreement with the Development Finance Authority of Summit County ("DFA") for a grant in the amount of \$125,000.00, for calendar year 2022, for the Executive's Department of Community and Economic Development, and declaring an emergency.

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net

Resolution 2022-247 was adopted.

A Resolution creating the voluntary Summit County Gun Buyback and Safety Training Initiative, authorizing the Sheriff to facilitate a gun buyback event, and authorizing the Executive to procure up to \$55,000.00 of gift cards, gun locks, educational materials, advertising and other related event expenses, for the Executive, Sheriff and Councilmembers Sims, Schmidt and Dickinson, and declaring an emergency.

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro, Ms. Sims, Mr.Schmidt, Ms. Dickinson & Council as a Whole

Staff Contact: Kent Starks, (330) 643-2074, kstarks@summitoh.net

Resolution 2022-248 was adopted.

### SECOND READINGS

2022-249

An Ordinance amending Section 113.09 of the Codified Ordinances of the County of Summit entitled "Fees For Legal Representation Of Indigent Defendants By Appointed Private Counsel," to update the fee schedule and guidelines for appointed counsel reimbursement, for the Executive's Department of Law and Risk Management, and declaring an emergency.

Sponsor - Executive Shapiro

Staff Contact: Mark Potter, (330) 643-2726, mpotter@summitoh.net

Ms. Dickinson moved to suspend Council Rule 8.01 (A): the requirement of three readings at a Regular Council meeting.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Darrow, DeVitis, Dickinson, Donofrio, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Sims,

Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite

Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Ms. Dickinson moved to adopt.

Voice Vote on the motion.

Yes: Darrow, DeVitis, Dickinson, Donofrio, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Sims,

Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite Motion passed - Voice Vote: 11-0

Ordinance 2022-249 was adopted.

### Presentation of New Business:

Presentation of Petitions to address Council: A representative from Mothers Demand Action thanked Council for adopting legislation 2022-248, Summit County Gun Buyback and Safety Training Initiative.

### **Executive Session**

Motion By:

Seconded By:

Motion Type:

For:

Against:

Abstain:

Absent:

Outcome:

Call To Order:

Reason:

Adjournment: Council adjourned at 5:03 pm. The next regular meeting will be held September 19, 2022 at 4:30 pm

All deliberations concerning official business and formal actions by this County Council were conducted in an open public meeting this 29th day of August, 2022.

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PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL