

1 RESOLUTION NO. 2013-031

First Reading Passage Requested

(J. Dodson)

2 SPONSOR Mr. Pry and Mr. Crawford, Ms. Shapiro, and Council of the Whole

3 DATE January 28, 2013

COMMITTEE Planning

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7 **A Resolution authorizing the County Executive to execute an agreement with Code for**
8 **America to participate in its Fellowship Program for the creation of a virtual welcome**
9 **center and interactive, web-based home for the hike, bike and water trails in Summit**
10 **County, in an amount not to exceed \$360,000.00, and authorizing the Executive to execute**
11 **grant agreements with the John S. and James L. Knight Foundation and other local**
12 **partners, to fund the same, and appropriating said grant funds for the period 1/28/13**
13 **through 12/31/13, for the Executive's Department of Community and Economic**
14 **Development, and declaring an emergency.**

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16 WHEREAS, Code for America is a non-profit organization that utilizes and leverages
17 technological solutions to issues faced by local communities and civic groups; and

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19 WHEREAS, the County of Summit, with the assistance of the John S. and James L.
20 Knight Foundation ("Knight Foundation"), applied to participate in the Code for America's
21 Fellowship Program to create a virtual welcome center and interactive, web-based home for the
22 hike, bike and water trails in Summit County; and

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24 WHEREAS, the County was one of only ten local governments nationwide to be selected
25 to participate in the Code for America's Fellowship Program; and

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27 WHEREAS, the cost to participate in the Code for America's Fellowship Program is
28 \$360,000.00; and

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30 WHEREAS, the Knight Foundation has notified the County that if it participates in the
31 Code for America Fellowship Program, it will provide the County with a grant in the amount of
32 \$250,000.00 to defray the cost of the program; and

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34 WHEREAS, the County has received grant commitment letters from other local
35 organizations totaling at least \$85,000.00 to help defray the cost of the program; and

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37 WHEREAS, the County will be responsible for paying the balance of \$25,000.00 for the
38 cost of the program; and

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40 WHEREAS, the virtual welcome center and interactive, web-based home for the hike,
41 bike water trails in Summit County that will be produced by Code for America will be highly
42 beneficial to the residents and visitors of Summit County and will improve the quality of life of
43 those living, working and visiting in Summit County; and

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45 WHEREAS, the project will also be beneficial for, and assist in the furtherance of the
46 missions of, the Ohio and Erie Canalway Coalition, Metro Parks Serving Summit County, the
47 Cuyahoga Valley National Park and the Akron Metropolitan Area Transportation Study; and
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4 WHEREAS, this Council finds and determines, after reviewing all pertinent information,
5 that it is necessary and in the best interest of the County to authorize the Executive to execute an
6 agreement with Code for America to participate in the Fellowship Program, to execute a grant
7 agreement with the Knight Foundation, and to execute grant agreements with any other local
8 partners participating in the funding of the program and to appropriate said grant funds for the
9 period 1/28/13 through 12/31/13;

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11 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the County of Summit,
12 State of Ohio, that:

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14 SECTION 1

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16 The Executive is hereby authorized to execute an agreement with Code for America to
17 participate in the Code for America's Fellowship Program, in an amount not to exceed
18 \$360,000.00, of which the County will pay \$25,000.00, to develop a virtual welcome center and
19 interactive, web-based home for the hike, bike and water trails in Summit County.

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21 SECTION 2

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23 The Executive is hereby authorized to execute grant agreements and any other necessary
24 documents with the John S. and James L. Knight Foundation to receive \$250,000.00 and any
25 other local partners to receive sums to defray the cost of the Code for America Fellowship
26 Program.

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28 SECTION 3

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30 Funds are hereby appropriated as follows for the period 1/28/13 through 12/31/13:

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32 Code for America-Fellowship Program
23221-6051-45501 Contract Services-Pool Budget \$360,000.00
Total Code for America Program \$360,000.00

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34 SECTION 4

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36 The Fiscal Officer is hereby authorized and directed to effectuate the above
37 appropriations.

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39 SECTION 5

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41 This Resolution is hereby declared an emergency in the interest of the health, safety and
42 welfare of the citizens of the County of Summit, and for the further reason to immediately allow
43 the Code for America Fellowship Program to begin in Summit County.

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45 SECTION 6

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47 Provided this Resolution receives the affirmative vote of eight members, it shall take
48 effect immediately upon its adoption and approval by the Executive; otherwise it shall take effect
49 and be in force at the earliest time provided by law.
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SECTION 7

It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

INTRODUCED January 28, 2013

ADOPTED January 28, 2013


CLERK OF COUNCIL


RESIDENT OF COUNCIL

APPROVED January 29, 2013


EXECUTIVE

ENACTED EFFECTIVE January 29, 2013

Voice Vote:10-0. YES: Komunale, Crawford, Feeman, Kostandaras, Kurt, Lee
Rodgers, Roemer, Shapiro, Schmidt Absent: Prentice