

1 RESOLUTION NO. 2019-137

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3 SPONSOR Ms. Shapiro

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5 DATE April 15, 2019

COMMITTEE Public Safety

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7 **A Resolution adjusting existing appropriations, in the amount of \$20,000.00, from the**
8 **Salaries Account to the Professional Services Account, within the Medical Examiner's**
9 **General Fund budget for the fiscal year ending 12/31/19, for the Medical Examiner, and**
10 **declaring an emergency.**

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12 WHEREAS, this Council previously adopted Resolution No. 2018-500, which approved
13 and appropriated the 2019 operating budget for the County of Summit, which included salary
14 appropriations within the County Medical Examiner's General Fund budget for the fiscal year
15 ending 12/31/19; and

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17 WHEREAS, on February 27, 2019, Dr. Sterbenz resigned from the Medical Examiner's
18 Office, leaving the Chief Deputy Medical Examiner position vacant; and

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20 WHEREAS, the County intends to hire a candidate to fill the vacant position with an
21 expected start date in June 2019; and

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23 WHEREAS, the County intends to contract with other area Forensic Pathologists to
24 provide assistance to the Medical Examiner's Office with their autopsy caseload throughout the
25 vacancy; and

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27 WHEREAS, the vacancy of the Chief Deputy Medical Examiner position, along with the
28 current opiate epidemic within the County, has created an increased case load and backlog of
29 cases, necessitating the aforementioned contracts; and

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31 WHEREAS, the Medical Examiner's Office has \$20,000.00 in available salary
32 appropriations as a result of the previously mentioned vacancy and desires to move these
33 appropriations to professional services to fund the aforementioned contracts; and

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35 WHEREAS, this Council finds and determines, after reviewing all pertinent information,
36 that the aforementioned adjustment of said existing appropriations is necessary and in the best
37 interest of the County of Summit;

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

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42 SECTION 1

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44 Appropriations are hereby adjusted as follows:

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<u>ACCOUNT NO.</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>DECREASE</u>	<u>INCREASE</u>
46 General Fund—Medical Examiner			
47 10003-3107-20501	Salaries – Pool Budget	<u>\$20,000.00</u>	
48 10003-3107-27102	Professional Services		<u>\$20,000.00</u>
49 Total Adjustments		<u>\$20,000.00</u>	<u>\$20,000.00</u>

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5 SECTION 2

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7 The County Fiscal Officer is hereby authorized and directed to effect the within
8 appropriation adjustment.

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10 SECTION 3

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12 This Resolution is hereby declared an emergency in the interest of the health, safety and
13 welfare of the residents of the County of Summit and for the further reason that the adjustment to
14 the appropriations for the Medical Examiner's Office General Fund budget is immediately
15 needed.

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17 SECTION 4

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

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23 SECTION 5

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25 It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating
26 to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all
27 deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action,
28 were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section
29 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

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32 INTRODUCED April 1, 2019

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34 ADOPTED April 15, 2019

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CLERK OF COUNCIL

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PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

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48 APPROVED April 16, 2019

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EXECUTIVE

56 ENACTED EFFECTIVE April 16, 2019

Voice Vote 11-0: Dickinson, Donofrio, Feeman, Hamilton,
Koehler, McKenney, Prentice, Rodgers, Schmidt, Walters, Wilhite