

1 ORDINANCE NO. 2015-469

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3 SPONSOR Mr. Pry

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5 DATE NOVEMBER 9, 2015 COMMITTEE Rules

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7 **An Ordinance amending Section 136.04 of the Codified Ordinances of the County of**
8 **Summit to revise fees charged by the Department of the Medical Examiner for toxicology**
9 **services, for the Executive, and declaring an emergency.**

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11 WHEREAS, Section 136.04 of the Codified Ordinances of the County of Summit,
12 entitled "Fees for Toxicology Services," sets forth the fees that the Department of the Medical
13 Examiner may charge for toxicology services; and

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15 WHEREAS, the County Executive has reviewed the current toxicology fees and
16 compared them to fees charged by similarly-sized Ohio counties, the Ohio Highway Patrol and
17 AIT Laboratories, a corporation that conducts drug testing, and has concluded that the current
18 fees, which have not been revised since 2007, no longer reflect the actual cost of said toxicology
19 services; and

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21 WHEREAS, in addition to being necessary to increase certain fees currently charged for
22 toxicology services to reflect the actual cost of said services, it is necessary to add fees for
23 forensic panels for blood and urine for law enforcement where a cause of death is not at issue, to
24 add fees for determining carbon monoxide blood levels which the Department of the Medical
25 Examiner is now able to perform due to the acquisition of equipment and to remove certain
26 controlled substance screens that are performed as part of the forensic panel for blood and urine;
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29 WHEREAS, this Council finds and determines, after reviewing all pertinent information,
30 that it is necessary and in the best interest of the County of Summit to amend Section 136.04 of
31 the Codified Ordinances for the aforementioned reasons;

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33 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the County of Summit, State
34 of Ohio, that;

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36 SECTION 1

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38 Section 136.04 of the Codified Ordinances of the County of Summit, entitled "Fees for
39 Toxicology Services," is hereby amended as set forth in Exhibit A, attached to this Ordinance
40 and incorporated herein as if fully restated.

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42 SECTION 2

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44 This Ordinance is declared an emergency in the interest of the health, safety, and welfare
45 of the citizens of the County of Summit, and for the further reason that it immediately amends
46 Section 136.04 of the Codified Ordinances to revise the fees charged by the Department of the
47 Medical Examiner for toxicology services to reflect the actual cost of said services.
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4 SECTION 3

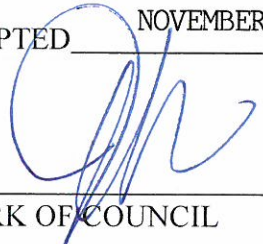
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6 Provided this Ordinance receives the affirmative vote of eight members, it shall take
7 effect immediately upon its adoption and approval by the Executive; otherwise, it shall take
8 effect and be in force at the earliest time provided by law.

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10 SECTION 4

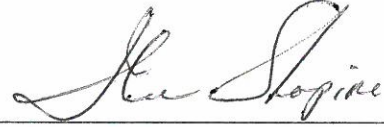
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12 It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating
13 to the adoption of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all
14 deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were
15 in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section
16 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

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19 INTRODUCED October 26, 2015

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21 ADOPTED NOVEMBER 9, 2015

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26 CLERK OF COUNCIL

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29 PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

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31 APPROVED NOVEMBER 10, 2015

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35 ENACTED EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 10, 2015

Voice Vote: 11-0 YES: Comunale, Crawford, Donofrio, Feeman, Kostandaras, Kurt,
Lee, Prentice, Rodgers, Schmidt, Shapiro