

1 RESOLUTION NO. 2018-216

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3 SPONSOR Ms. Shapiro

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5 DATE _____ COMMITTEE Public Works

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7 **A Resolution authorizing the Executive to execute any documents necessary to accept grant**
8 **funds and administer the Cuyahoga Valley National Park Pedestrian Bridge Project, in**
9 **Boston Township, in County Council District 1, with no local cash match, for the Engineer,**
10 **and declaring an emergency.**

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12 WHEREAS, the County Engineer’s office applied for Transportation Alternatives Set
13 Aside grant funding through the Akron Metropolitan Area Transportation Study on behalf of
14 Cuyahoga Valley National Park and secured \$700,000.00 in federal funding for the construction
15 of a pedestrian bridge over the Cuyahoga River; and

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17 WHEREAS, the pedestrian bridge over the Cuyahoga River is an integral part of the
18 Cuyahoga Valley National Park’s effort to create the Boston Mills Visitor Center and improve
19 the surrounding area near the intersection of Boston Mills Road and Riverview Road, making it
20 the focal point of Cuyahoga Valley National Park; and

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22 WHEREAS, Cuyahoga Valley National Park and the Conservancy for Cuyahoga Valley
23 National Park are responsible for any local matching funds required for the design and
24 construction of the pedestrian bridge over the Cuyahoga River; and

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26 WHEREAS, in order to accept federal funds, the County Engineer’s office must act as
27 administrator on behalf of Cuyahoga Valley National Park for the design and construction of
28 pedestrian bridge; and

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30 WHEREAS, the County of Summit, Cuyahoga Valley National Park, Federal Highway
31 Administration, and Ohio Department of Transportation must execute agreements of
32 cooperation, funding commitments, and various other documents in order to allow the County of
33 Summit to administer the project on behalf of Cuyahoga Valley National Park; and

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35 WHEREAS, the design contract and construction contract will still require approval by
36 the Board of Control and the approval of County Council by a separate Resolution; and

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38 WHEREAS, this Council finds and determines, after reviewing all pertinent information,
39 that it is necessary and in the best interest of the County of Summit to authorize the Executive to
40 execute any documents necessary to accept grant funds and administer the design and
41 construction of the pedestrian bridge over the Cuyahoga River;

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

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4 SECTION 1

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6 Provided that the Cuyahoga Valley National Park and Conservancy for Cuyahoga Valley
7 National Park will be responsible for contributing all local matching funds and cost overruns for
8 the design and construction of the pedestrian bridge, the County Executive is hereby authorized
9 to sign any documents necessary to accept grant funds and administer the design and
10 construction of the pedestrian bridge over the Cuyahoga River, in Boston Township, Council
11 District 1.

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13 SECTION 2

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15 This Resolution is hereby declared an emergency in the interest of the health, safety and
16 welfare of the residents of the County of Summit, and for the further reason that it will
17 immediately allow the County to act on behalf of an important community partner for a
18 pedestrian and cyclist safety improvement project and for the project to begin as expeditiously as
19 possible.

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21 SECTION 3

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

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27 SECTION 4

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29 It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating
30 to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all
31 deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action,
32 were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section
33 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

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36 INTRODUCED June 4, 2018

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CLERK OF COUNCIL

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

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