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An Ordinance amending Section 109.02 of the Codified Ordinances of the County of Summit, entitled "Record Reproduction and Fee; Exemption; Actual Cost," to increase the cost for 8 1/2" x 11" or 8 1/2" x 14" copies to ten cents (10¢) per page, for the Executive's Department of Law, and declaring an emergency.

WHEREAS, Section 109.02 of the Codified Ordinances of the County of Summit, entitled "Record Reproduction and Fee; Exemption; Actual Cost," sets forth the procedure and cost for producing public records of the County; and

WHEREAS, subsection 109.02 currently establishes the cost to be charged to the public for uncertified 8 1/2" x 11" or 8 1/2" x 14" copies at five cents (5¢) per page; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive has proposed to increase the cost per page charged to the public for the aforementioned copies to ten cents  $(10\phi)$  per page to more accurately cover the County's costs; and

WHEREAS, this Council finds and determines, after reviewing all pertinent information, that it is necessary and in the best interest of the County to amend Section 109.02 of the Codified Ordinances of the County of Summit to increase the cost for 8 1/2" x 11" or 8 1/2" x 14" copies to ten cents (10¢) per page.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Council of the County of summit, State of Ohio, that:

### SECTION 1

ORDINANCE NO. 2011-284

Section 109.02 of the Codified Ordinances of the County of Summit, entitled "Record Reproduction and Fee; Exemption; Actual Cost," is hereby amended as follows:

## "109.02 RECORD REPRODUCTION AND FEE; EXEMPTION; ACTUAL COST.

- (a) Each office, department or division within the County responsible for maintaining public records shall have facilities reasonably available for the reproduction of public records for the benefit of the public.
- (b) Upon request, employees responsible for public records shall make copies available within a reasonable period of time.
- (c) Uncertified 8 ½" x 11" or 8 ½" x 14" copies of public records shall be available at a cost not to exceed five cents (5¢) ten cents (10¢) per page.
- (d) Members of the news media covering County of Summit activities and public organizations shall be exempt from paying the fee set out in subsection (c) hereof for resolutions and ordinances of the County Council at the time the Council resolutions have been made available to Council the day of the regular Council meeting. Members

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of the news media and/or public organizations shall register in writing with the Clerk of Council to receive agenda items.

(e) Copies of oversized and unconventional records such as computer discs, CD- ROMS, and engineering drawings shall be available at a cost not to exceed the actual cost of reproduction of the record. The office responsible for maintaining such records shall set this fee after it prepares a report documenting its actual costs of reproduction of such records, which report shall be updated each year with the fee being adjusted as required. The report shall also be maintained so that it may be reviewed by the public upon request."

### **SECTION 2**

This Ordinance is hereby declared an emergency in the interest of the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the County of Summit and for the further purpose to immediately amend Section 109.02 of the Codified Ordinances of the County of Summit so that the County can recover its costs in producing public records.

#### **SECTION 3**

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

# **SECTION 4**

It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance 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 June 20, 2011	
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