

1 RESOLUTION NO. 2020-297

First Reading Passage Requested

(B. Clark)

2 SPONSOR Ms. Shapiro

3 DATE September 21, 2020

COMMITTEE Planning

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7 **A Resolution confirming an award by the Board of Control of a construction contract with**  
8 **Krumroy-Cozad Construction, Inc. for the Summit County Jail Video Arraignment**  
9 **Project at the Summit County Jail, located in the City of Akron, in Council District 4, for**  
10 **an amount not to exceed \$202,820.00, and declaring such expenditure necessary due to the**  
11 **public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19), for the**  
12 **Executive's Department of Administrative Services-Physical Plants, and declaring an**  
13 **emergency.**

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15 WHEREAS, the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (the "CARES  
16 Act") was passed by Congress and signed into law on March 27, 2020, to provide economic  
17 relief and to protect the American people from the public health and economic impacts of the  
18 Coronavirus Disease 2019 ("COVID-19") pandemic and as part of this Act, the County received  
19 funds to expend to abate the pandemic within the community; and

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21 WHEREAS, on June 29, 2020, this Council adopted Resolution No. 2020-196, which  
22 confirmed a professional service contract with MCM Consulting Group, Inc. for consulting and  
23 project management services for jail management and virtual courtroom systems, due to the  
24 public health emergency with respect to the COVID-19 pandemic and as part of MCM's analysis  
25 they have recommended that the County utilize broadband technology to connect courts, public  
26 safety and social services agencies in a closed network to ensure the secure and efficient  
27 continuation of criminal justice operations while ensuring that defendants' and inmates'  
28 constitutional rights are fully protected and maintaining the necessary safety protocols due to the  
29 pandemic; and

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31 WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic is a health crisis that requires the different courts  
32 in the County and the Sheriff to change the method by which they conduct hearings for  
33 individuals held in the Summit County Jail, located in the City of Akron, in Council District 4, as  
34 well as those who have posted a bond; and

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36 WHEREAS, the Sheriff's Office currently has to transport prisoners to and from the  
37 Summit County Courthouse for their in-person courtroom hearings; and

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39 WHEREAS, the Executive proposes that small rooms be built inside the existing housing  
40 units at the Summit County Jail to host virtual meetings and hearings; and

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42 WHEREAS, the proposed project, the Summit County Jail Video Arraignment Project  
43 (the "Project"), will realize a cost savings for the County in Sheriff's deputies' hours worked  
44 and also provide mandated social distancing at the Courthouse; and

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46 WHEREAS, this Council previously adopted Resolution No. 2020-257, which authorizes  
47 the Executive to execute a grant agreement with the City of Fairlawn for \$6,500,000.00 for the  
48 design and construction of a fiber-optic network to connect the Summit County Jail, various  
49 courthouses, policing agencies and social services providers as a part of the Project; and

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51 WHEREAS, a portion of said monies will be used to fund the Project; and  
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4 WHEREAS, this Council previously adopted Resolution No. 2020-275, which authorized  
5 the Executive to advertise for bids for the Project, for an estimated total cost not to exceed  
6 \$200,000.00; and

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8 WHEREAS, after reviewing bids, the Executive has selected Krumroy-Cozad  
9 Construction, Inc. as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder; and

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11 WHEREAS, the Board of Control, at its September 16, 2020 meeting, awarded a  
12 construction contract with Krumroy-Cozad Construction, Inc. for the Project, in an amount not to  
13 exceed \$202,820.00, subject to confirmation by this Council;

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15 WHEREAS, this Council finds and determines, after reviewing all pertinent information,  
16 that the aforementioned construction contract with Krumroy-Cozad Construction, Inc. is  
17 necessary and in the best interest of the County of Summit:

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19 WHEREAS, this Council further finds and determines, after reviewing all pertinent  
20 information, the expenditure of an amount not to exceed \$202,820.00 is necessary due to the  
21 public health emergency created by the COVID-19 pandemic, and is being done in compliance  
22 with the provisions of section 5001 of the federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic  
23 Security Act.

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

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28 SECTION 1

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30 The award by the Board of Control of a construction contract with Krumroy-Cozad  
31 Construction, Inc. for the Summit County Jail Video Arraignment Project at the Summit County  
32 Jail, located in the City of Akron, in Council District 4, for an amount not to exceed  
33 \$202,820.00, is hereby confirmed and the Executive is hereby authorized to execute said  
34 construction contract and any other necessary related documents.

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36 SECTION 2

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38 This Council finds and declares that the expenditure of an amount not to exceed  
39 \$202,820.00 under the aforementioned program is necessary due to the public health emergency  
40 with respect to the COVID-19 pandemic, and is being done in compliance with the provisions of  
41 section 5001 of the federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act.

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43 SECTION 3

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45 This Resolution is declared an emergency in the interest of the health, safety, and welfare  
46 of the residents of the County of Summit, and for the further reason that it immediately  
47 authorizes a necessary construction contract for video arraignment services at the Summit  
48 County Jail due to the COVID-19 pandemic while continuing to improve their operations to  
49 ensure that defendants' and inmates' constitutional rights are protected.  
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5 SECTION 4

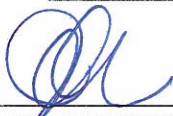
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7 Provided this Resolution receives the affirmative vote of eight members, it shall take  
8 effect immediately upon its adoption and approval by the Executive; otherwise, it shall take  
9 effect and be in force at the earliest time provided by law.

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11 SECTION 5

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13 It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating  
14 to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all  
15 deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were  
16 in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section  
17 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

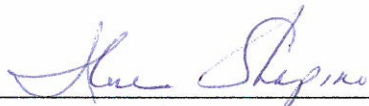
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20 INTRODUCED September 21, 2020

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26 CLERK OF COUNCIL

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30 PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

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32 APPROVED September 22, 2020

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36 EXECUTIVE

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38 ENACTED EFFECTIVE September 22, 2020

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41 Voice Vote: YES 10-0 - Dickinson, Donofrio, Feeman, Koehler,  
42 McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Sims, Walters, Wilhite  
43 ABSENT: Prentice