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A Resolution, pursuant to Section 169.04(i) of the Codified Ordinances of the County of Summit, entitled "Temporary Hiring Freeze," to authorize the Engineer to hire two Inspector IIIs at a rate of pay of \$25.16, or two Inspector IIs at a rate of pay of \$21.75, depending on the relevant experience of the applicants, to replace two retiring Inspector IIIs, for the Engineer, and declaring an emergency.

WHEREAS, this Council previously adopted Ordinance No. 2020-095, which enacted Section 169.04(i) of the Codified Ordinances of the County of Summit, entitled, "Temporary Hiring Freeze," in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and the State of Ohio's Stay at Home Order; and

WHEREAS, Section 169.04(i) provides that if a County office is able to demonstrate that the filling of an existing position by hiring an employee is necessary for the effective and continued operation of the office, Council may adopt a Resolution authorizing the office to hire said employee(s); and

WHEREAS, due to the planned retirements of two Inspector III's, a critical position that inspects construction projects and performs bridge inspections, the Engineer states that it is necessary for the continued and safe operation of the Engineer's Office to be permitted to hire two Inspectors to replace the retiring Inspectors; and

WHEREAS, based on the relevant work experience of the applicants, the new Inspectors will either be classified as Inspector IIIs, which is preferred, or Inspector IIs; and

WHEREAS, this Council finds and determines, after reviewing all pertinent information, that it is necessary and in the best interest of the County of Summit to authorize the Engineer to hire two Inspectors;

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

## **SECTION 1**

This Council hereby finds and determines that the Engineer has demonstrated that it is necessary for the effective and continued operation of the office to authorize the Engineer, pursuant to Section 169.04(i) of the Codified Ordinances of the County of Summit, to hire two Inspector IIIs, Position D3843, at a base rate of \$25.16 an hour, or Two Inspector IIs, Position D3542, at a base rate of \$21.75 an hour, to be funded in full through the Motor Vehicle and Gas Tax fund.

## **SECTION 2**

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This Resolution is hereby declared an emergency in the interest of the health, safety and welfare of the residents of the County of Summit and for the further reason to immediately authorize the Engineer to hire Inspectors who ensure the County-owned bridges are safe for travel.

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## **SECTION 3**

Provided this Resolution 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 Resolution 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 November 23, 2020
ADOPTED December 7, 2020
CLERK OF COUNCIL

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

APPROVED December 8, 2020

EXECUTIVE

ENACTED EFFECTIVE December 8, 2020

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