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A Resolution authorizing the Executive, subject to award by the Board of Control, to execute a professional service contract with MCM Consulting Group, Inc., for assessment, strategic plan development and consulting services in developing the Summit County Public Safety Fiber and Communications Network, in an amount not to exceed \$506,162.50, for the Executive and declaring an emergency.

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2021 the President signed the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, ("ARPA") section 9901, Pub.LNo.117-2 codified at 42 U.S.C. section 802 et seq., providing funds to support state, local and tribal governments in responding to the continuing and evolving impact of COVID-19 on their communities; and

WHEREAS, ARPA recognizes the critical need to support first responders by providing infrastructure to support public safety services; and

WHEREAS, the Executive, in conversation with community leaders throughout Summit County, has identified a need for a comprehensive public safety broadband system to better serve the residents of the County also known as the Summit County Public Safety Fiber and Communications Network ("Project"); and

WHEREAS, to further the goal of achieving such a system in a cost-effective manner, the Executive solicited proposals to find a firm to provide consulting services necessary for planning and project management in the planning and implementation of the Project; and

WHEREAS, upon evaluating the proposals received, the Executive recommends MCM Consulting Group, Inc. ("MCM") to provide such services; and

WHEREAS, the Executive will recommend a professional service contract with MCM in an amount not to exceed \$506,162.50 to the Board of Control at its meeting on September 22, 2021; and

WHEREAS, this Council finds and determines, after reviewing all pertinent information, that said professional service contract with MCM is necessary and in the best interest of the County of Summit;

WHEREAS, this Council further finds and determines, after reviewing all pertinent information, that authorizing the professional service agreement with MCM in an amount not to exceed \$506,162.50 to further the Project is necessary due to the public health emergency created by the COVID-19 pandemic, and is being done in accordance with the requirements of the ARPA interim final rule, and pursuant to the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, ("ARPA") section 9901, Pub.LNo.117-2 codified at 42 U.S.C. section 802 et seq.;

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

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# **SECTION 1**

This Council finds and declares that the expenditure of \$506,162.50 under the aforementioned professional service agreement is necessary due to the public health emergency with respect to the COVID-19 pandemic and is being done in compliance with the provisions of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, ("ARPA") section 9901, Pub.LNo.117-2 codified at 42 U.S.C. section 802 et seq.

### **SECTION 2**

Subject to an award by the Board of Control, this Council authorizes a professional service contract with MCM Consulting Group, Inc. ("MCM") for consulting services necessary for planning and project management in the planning and implementation of the Summit County Public Safety Fiber and Communications Network ("Project") in an amount not to exceed \$506,162.50, and the Executive is hereby authorized to execute said professional service contract and any other necessary related documents.

### **SECTION 3**

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 provide project management for the development of a comprehensive public safety broadband network.

#### **SECTION 4**

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 5**

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.

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Voice Vote - YES: 10-0: DeVitis, Dickinson, Donofrio, Feeman, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Sims, Walters, Wilhite ABSENT: Darrow