A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of an intergovernmental agreement with FairlawnGig, as a Best Practical Source, to provide internet service and interconnectivity for the Criminal Justice Virtual Courtroom Project, for a one year term, from 1/1/22 through 12/31/22, in an amount not to exceed $195,600.00, for the Executive’s Department of Public Safety, and declaring an emergency.

WHEREAS, in response to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic, Summit County has utilized the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act ("CARES Act") CARES funding to purchase equipment through ExhibitOne and BeInCourt to create a county-wide criminal justice virtual courtroom platform; and

WHEREAS, the Criminal Justice Virtual Courtroom Project (the “Project”) will connect the municipal courts in the Cities of Akron, Barberton and Stow, all divisions of the Court of Common Pleas, the Summit County Jail, Akron Bar Association, Legal Defender’s Office and community corrections facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Executive wishes to retain FairlawnGig to provide the internet service and interconnectivity among the aforementioned stakeholders in the Project, the cost of which shall be charged back to the respective stakeholders; and

WHEREAS, FairlawnGig is a Best Practical Source pursuant to Sections 177.01(h)(4)D. and 177.07(a)(5) of the Codified Ordinances of the County of Summit because it is currently providing fiber and internet services for the larger County broadband project, as well as for county-wide computer-aided dispatch operations via an intergovernmental agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Information Technology Board, at its meeting held on January 13, 2022, approved a contract with FairlawnGig to provide internet service and interconnectivity for the Project, for a one year term, from 1/1/22 through 12/31/22, in an amount not to exceed $195,600.00; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Control, at its meeting held on January 26, 2022, awarded a contract with FairlawnGig as a Best Practical Source; and

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

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

SECTION 1

The award by the Board of Control of a contract to provide internet service and interconnectivity for the Criminal Justice Virtual Courtroom Project (the “Project”), for a one year term, from 1/1/22 through 12/31/22, in an amount not to exceed $195,600.00, is
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hereby confirmed and the Executive is hereby authorized to execute said contract and any other necessary related documents.

SECTION 2

This Resolution is 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 that it authorizes the Executive to immediately provide internet service and interconnectivity for the Project.

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 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 February 7, 2022

ADOPTED February 28, 2022

[Signatures]

CLERK OF COUNCIL

APPROVED February 28, 2022

EXECUTIVE

ENACTED EFFECTIVE March 3, 2022

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