

1 RESOLUTION NO. 2024-082

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3 SPONSOR Executive Shapiro

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5 DATE March 18, 2024 COMMITTEE Finance

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7 **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a professional service**  
8 **contract with Ward & Associates for countywide sexennial appraisal services for the**  
9 **valuation of all land and buildings for all commercial, industrial, and exempt and public**  
10 **utilities real estate in Summit County for proper taxation for tax year 2026, in an amount**  
11 **not to exceed \$848,000.00, for the Fiscal Officer, and declaring an emergency.**

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13 WHEREAS, Section 177.08 of the Codified Ordinances of the County of Summit states  
14 that a professional service contract with appraisers performing services for the Fiscal Officer  
15 under Section 5713.01 of the Ohio Revised Code is exempt from the requirements concerning  
16 the request and evaluation of proposals as set forth in Section 177.08; and

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18 WHEREAS, Section 177.08 further requires that said professional service contract, when  
19 in excess of \$75,000.00, must be approved by this Council; and

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21 WHEREAS, the Board of Control, at its meeting held on March 13, 2024, awarded a  
22 professional service contract with Ward & Associates for countywide sexennial appraisal  
23 services for the valuation of all land and buildings for all commercial, industrial, and exempt and  
24 public utilities real estate in Summit County for proper taxation for tax year 2026, in an amount  
25 not to exceed \$848,000.00, subject to confirmation by this Council; and

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27 WHEREAS, this Council finds and determines, after reviewing all pertinent information,  
28 that the aforementioned professional service contract with Ward & Associates is necessary and  
29 in the best interest of the County of Summit;

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

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34 SECTION 1

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36 The award by the Board of Control of a professional service contract with Ward &  
37 Associates for the valuation of all land and buildings for all commercial, industrial, and exempt  
38 and public utilities real estate in Summit County for proper taxation for tax year 2026, in an  
39 amount not to exceed \$848,000.00, is hereby confirmed and the Executive is hereby authorized  
40 to execute said professional service contract and any necessary related documents.

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42 SECTION 2

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44 This Resolution is hereby declared an emergency in the interest of the health, safety and  
45 welfare of the residents of the County of Summit, and for the further reason of immediately  
46 providing necessary 2026 countywide sexennial appraisal services to the County as required by  
47 the State of Ohio.

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4 SECTION 3

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

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10 SECTION 4

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

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19 INTRODUCED March 18, 2024

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21 ADOPTED April 1, 2024

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*Monique Willis*  
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26 CLERK OF COUNCIL

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28 APPROVED April 1, 2024

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*Executive Ilene Shapiro*  
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33 EXECUTIVE

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35 ENACTED EFFECTIVE April 2, 2024

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*Rita S. Darrow*  
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PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

Voice Vote – YES: 8 –0–1: Darrow, DeVitis,  
Dickinson, Ford, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt,  
Wiedie Higham  
ABSTAIN: Donofrio  
ABSENT: Walters, Wilhite