

1 RESOLUTION NO. 2024-254

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3 SPONSOR Executive Shapiro

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5 DATE September 9, 2024 COMMITTEE Planning

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7 **A Resolution authorizing the Executive to execute an updated Summit County**
8 **Intergovernmental Memorandum of Understanding for Job Creation and Retention and Tax**
9 **Revenue Sharing and encouraging communities throughout Summit County to sign the**
10 **same, for the Executive’s Department of Community and Economic Development, and**
11 **declaring an emergency.**

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13 WHEREAS, job losses result in social and human costs which can be a significant burden
14 to the area, the region and the state; and

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16 WHEREAS, the County and communities throughout the County recognize that it is
17 imperative to cooperate and collaborate with each other for the economic benefit of the region and
18 its resident taxpayers in order to attract and retain businesses and jobs; and

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20 WHEREAS, there are many current and prospective employers who desire to remain or
21 locate in the County; and

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23 WHEREAS, the County and communities further recognize the cooperation is necessary
24 for regional prosperity and enhancement of the local tax base and to successfully compete in global
25 markets; and

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27 WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 2017-368, this Council authorized the Executive
28 to execute the Summit County Intergovernmental Memorandum of Understanding for Job Creation
29 and Retention and Tax Revenue Sharing (“MOU”) for the purposes of discouraging the offering
30 of financial incentives to induce a business to relocate from one County community to another,
31 providing for revenue sharing between signatory communities in the event certain businesses
32 relocate, and to provide certain economic development grant scoring incentives to signatory
33 communities, and the same was subsequently signed by the Executive; and

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35 WHEREAS, following the approval of this Council in 2017, several communities in the
36 County have subsequently become signatory communities to the MOU; and

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38 WHEREAS, the MOU does not have any adverse impact on a business or company’s
39 decision to locate or relocate within the County but merely addresses the relationship of
40 government bodies that may be affected by those independent business decisions; and

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42 WHEREAS, the MOU contains a provision that the signatory communities will annually
43 review the document and make changes to the document that they collectively determine to be
44 necessary; and

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46 WHEREAS, in 2010, 2011, 2012, 2014, 2015 and 2017 this Council approved the annual
47 revisions to the MOU pursuant to Resolution No.’s 2010-111, 2011-167, 2012-184, 2014-415,
48 2015-315 and 2017-368, respectively, and the pending revisions are the first ones since that time;
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4 WHEREAS, the communities have performed said review and have collectively
5 recommended changes to the MOU, most notably to exclude payroll generated from remote
6 employees when establishing a baseline for revenue sharing; and

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8 WHEREAS, this Council finds and determines, after reviewing all pertinent information,
9 that it is necessary and in the best interest of the County to authorize the Executive to execute the
10 updated Summit County Intergovernmental Memorandum of Understanding for Job Creation and
11 Retention and Tax Revenue Sharing which contains the aforementioned collective changes, and to
12 encourage communities throughout Summit County to execute the same;

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

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17 SECTION 1

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19 The Executive is hereby authorized to execute the updated Summit County
20 Intergovernmental Memorandum of Understanding for Job Creation and Retention and Tax
21 Revenue Sharing on behalf of the County of Summit. The Executive is hereby authorized to
22 execute said Memorandum of Understanding (“MOU”) in substantially the same form as the copy
23 attached to this Resolution as Exhibit A and incorporated fully herein, with such modifications and
24 revisions as shall be in furtherance of the provisions of said MOU and not substantially adverse to
25 the County, all of which shall be conclusively evidenced by the execution thereof by the Executive.

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27 SECTION 2

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29 All communities throughout Summit County are hereby encouraged to execute the Summit
30 County Intergovernmental Memorandum of Understanding for Job Creation and Retention and
31 Tax Revenue Sharing.

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33 SECTION 3

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35 This Resolution is hereby declared an emergency in the interest of the health, safety and
36 welfare of the residents of the County of Summit, and for the further reason to immediately
37 authorize the Executive to execute the Summit County Intergovernmental Memorandum of
38 Understanding for Job Creation and Retention and Tax Revenue Sharing.

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40 SECTION 4

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

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46 SECTION 5

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

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8 ADOPTED September 23, 2024

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CLERK OF COUNCIL
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15 APPROVED September 23, 2024

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22 ENACTED EFFECTIVE September 24, 2024

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PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL
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Voice Vote – YES: 10 – 0: Darrow, Dickinson,
Donofrio, Ford, Kacyon, McKenney, Rodgers,
Schmidt, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite
Absent: Walters