

1 RESOLUTION NO. 2024-330

First Reading Passage Requested

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(K. Teleis)

3 SPONSOR Executive Shapiro

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5 DATE December 2, 2024

COMMITTEE Public Safety

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7 **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a professional service contract**
8 **with Community Support Services, as a Best Practical Source, to provide a dedicated full-**
9 **time clinical counselor to HOPE Court, for the period 12/1/24 through 12/31/25, with one**
10 **option to renew for up to an additional 12-month period, in an amount not to exceed**
11 **\$229,632.00, for the Court of Common Pleas, and declaring an emergency.**

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13 WHEREAS, the Common Pleas Healing, Opportunity, Progress and Empowerment Court
14 (“HOPE Court”) is an Ohio Supreme Court specialized docket that services adult residents of
15 Summit County who have committed a felony of the fifth, fourth, or third degree and suffer with
16 severe and persistent mental illness; and

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18 WHEREAS, the State of Ohio, through the Ohio Office of Justice Services (“OCJS”)
19 awarded HOPE Court the State Crisis Intervention Program (“SCIP”) Grant in the amount of
20 \$299,990.87, for the period 1/1/24 through 12/31/25, with no local cash match required, to provide
21 a clinical case manager to HOPE Court; and

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23 WHEREAS, HOPE Court has a current relationship with Community Support Services
24 (“CSS”) to provide participants with clinical case-management and peer supports; and

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26 WHEREAS, the Court wishes to contract with CSS to provide a full-time dedicated clinical
27 counselor to HOPE Court participants for the period of 12/1/24 through 12/31/25, with an option
28 to renew for up to an additional 12-month period, for a total amount not to exceed \$229,632.00,
29 through the use of SCIP grant funding; and

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31 WHEREAS, CSS is a Best Practical Source pursuant to Sections 177.01(h)(4) and
32 177.07(a)(5) of the Codified Ordinances of the County of Summit as they currently provide HOPE
33 Court participants with clinical case-management and peer support services and have a strong
34 knowledge of the HOPE Court program; and

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36 WHEREAS, the Executive wishes to enter into a professional service contract with CSS to
37 provide said clinical case counselor for HOPE Court participants; and

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39 WHEREAS, the Board of Control, at its meeting held November 20, 2024, awarded a
40 professional service contract with CSS, as a Best Practical Source, to provide a dedicated clinical
41 counselor for HOPE Court participants, for the period of 12/1/24 through 12/31/25, with an option
42 to renew for an additional 12-month period, in a total amount not the exceed \$229,632.00, subject
43 to confirmation by this Council; and

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45 WHEREAS, this Council finds and determines, after reviewing all pertinent information,
46 that the aforementioned professional service contract with CSS is necessary and in the best interest
47 of the County of Summit;

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

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4 SECTION 1

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6 The award by the Board of Control of a professional service contract with Community
7 Support Services, as a Best Practical Source, to provide a dedicated full-time clinical counselor to
8 HOPE Court Participants, for the period of 12/1/24 through 12/31/25, with an option to renew for
9 an additional 12-month period, in a total amount not the exceed \$229,632.00, is hereby confirmed
10 and the Executive is hereby authorized to execute said professional service contract and any other
11 necessary related documents.

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13 SECTION 2

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15 This Resolution is hereby declared an emergency in the interest of health, safety, and
16 welfare of the residents of the County of Summit, and in order to expend the grant funds in a timely
17 manner.

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19 SECTION 3

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

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25 SECTION 4

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27 It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating
28 to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all
29 deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were
30 in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section
31 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

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34 INTRODUCED December 2, 2024

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36 **ADOPTED** December 2, 2024

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December 2, 2024
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PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL
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APPROVED December 2, 2024
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Voice Vote – YES: 11 – 0: Darrow, Dickinson,
Donofrio, Ford, Kacyon, McKenney, Rodgers,
Schmidt, Wiedie Higham, Walters, Wilhite

ENACTED EFFECTIVE December 3, 2024