

1 RESOLUTION NO. 2026-026

**First Reading Passage Requested**

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**(J. Eckenrode)**

3 SPONSOR Executive Shapiro

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5 DATE February 9, 2026

COMMITTEE Planning

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7 **A Resolution authorizing the Executive, subject to approval by the Board of Control, to**  
8 **execute a design-build professional service contract with Welty Building Construction,**  
9 **LLC. for the design phase of the Jail Pre-Intake and Sallyport Addition Project, located in**  
10 **the City of Akron, in Council District 4, for an estimated total cost not to exceed**  
11 **\$263,700.00, for the Executive’s Department of Administrative Services–Physical Plants,**  
12 **and declaring an emergency.**

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14 WHEREAS, the Summit County Jail was constructed in 1987 and expanded in 1993, and  
15 the current intake area and sallyport were part of the original construction; and

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17 WHEREAS, the scope of the Jail Pre-Intake and Sallyport Addition Project (the  
18 “Project”) is to expand and modernize the Jail’s pre-intake, sallyport, and booking functions,  
19 improving operational efficiency, security, and access to mental health and substance abuse  
20 disorder services; and

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22 WHEREAS, the Project will include the construction of a new sallyport, renovating the  
23 existing sallyport as the pre-intake area, and renovation of the current intake area

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25 WHEREAS, the estimated total cost of the Project, including design, is \$3,936,750.00  
26 which will be funded by a grant from the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Corrections and  
27 a twenty-five percent (25%) County match; and

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29 WHEREAS, this Council previously adopted Resolution No. 2025-282, which authorized  
30 the Executive to execute any documents necessary to accept the award from the Ohio  
31 Department of Rehabilitation and Correction of a H.B. 2 Local Jail Capital Project Grant, in the  
32 amount of \$2,952,750.00, with a 25% local cash match requirement of \$984,000.00, for a total  
33 amount of \$3,936,750.00; and

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35 WHEREAS, subsequently, this Council adopted Resolution No. 2025-289, which  
36 confirmed the award by the Board of Control of a professional service contract with Avid  
37 Architects, Inc., for the design phase of the Jail Pre-Intake and Sallyport Addition Project,  
38 located in the City of Akron, in Council District 4, in an amount not to exceed \$137,000.00; and

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40 WHEREAS, the Executive’s Department of Administrative Services – Physical Plants  
41 sent out give bid packages based on qualification statements on file with the Department of  
42 Purchasing and following the receipt and review of one proposal, the Executive proposes  
43 entering into a design-build professional service contract with Welty Building Construction,  
44 LLC., as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, for the Project, in an amount not to  
45 exceed \$263,700.00; and

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47 WHEREAS, the Board of Control, at its meeting held on February 11, 2026, will  
48 consider a design-build professional service contract with Welty Building Construction, LLC., as  
49 the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, for the aforementioned Project, in an amount not to  
50 exceed \$263,700.00; and

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4 WHEREAS, this Council finds and determines, after reviewing all pertinent information,  
5 that the aforementioned professional service contract with Welty Building Construction, LLC. is  
6 necessary and in the best interest of the County of Summit;

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

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11 SECTION 1

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13 The Executive is hereby authorized to execute a design-build professional service  
14 contract and any other necessary related documents, subject to the approval of the Board of  
15 Control, with Welty Building Construction, LLC., for the design phase of the Summit County  
16 Jail Sallyport Project, located in the City of Akron, in Council District 4, for an estimated total  
17 cost not to exceed \$263,700.00.

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19 SECTION 2

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21 This Resolution is declared an emergency in the interest of the health, safety, and welfare  
22 of the residents of the County of Summit, and for the further purpose to immediately provide  
23 necessary improvements for the Summit County Jail.

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25 SECTION 3

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

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31 SECTION 4

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33 It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating  
34 to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all  
35 deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were  
36 in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section  
37 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

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39 INTRODUCED February 9, 2026

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41 ADOPTED February 9, 2026

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Signed by:  
Monique Willis

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CLERK OF COUNCIL

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46 APPROVED February 9, 2026

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Signed by:  
Steve Shapiro

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EXECUTIVE

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50 ENACTED EFFECTIVE February 10, 2026

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Signed by:

Erin Dickinson

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

Voice Vote – YES: 11 – 0: Darrow, Dickinson,  
Donofrio, Ford, Higham, Kacyon, Licate,  
McKenney, Schmidt, Walters, Wilhite