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RESOLUTION NO. 2026-279 **First Reading Passage Requested**
(H. Miller)

SPONSOR Executive Shapiro

DATE October 26, 2026 COMMITTEE Planning

A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of professional service contracts with Partners Environmental Consulting and TRC Companies, for environmental site assessments and other associated work for the Brownfield Assessment Coalition Grant, for a three-year term, through September 30, 2029, in a total amount not to exceed $1,097,022.00, with $438,808.80 allocated to Partners Environmental Consulting and $658,213.20 allocated to TRC Companies, for the Executive's Department of Community and Economic Development, and declaring an emergency.

WHEREAS, Summit County previously applied, and was awarded, as the lead agency of a grant agreement for $1,200,000.00 from the United States Environmental Protection Agency under the 2025 Brownfields Assessment Program; and

WHEREAS, Summit County, as the lead coalition member, will utilize the aforementioned funds to conduct environmental site assessments and planning activities within designated target areas; and

WHEREAS, to assist the County in managing and executing all aspects of the grant agreement, the Executive issued a request for proposals, and, following the receipt and review of four responses, the Executive wishes to award Partners Environmental Consulting and TRC Companies as the two most qualified firms under scoring criteria from the County, the Greater Akron Chamber of Commerce, and the City of Akron; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Control, at its meeting held on October 14, 2026, awarded professional service contracts with Partners Environmental Consulting and TRC Companies, for environmental site assessments and other associated work for the County's Brownfield Assessment Coalition Grant, for a three-year term, through September 30, 2029, in a total amount not to exceed $1,097,022.00, with $438,808.80 allocated to Partners Environmental Consulting and $658,213.20 allocated to TRC Companies, subject to confirmation by this Council; and

WHEREAS, this Council finds and determines, after reviewing all pertinent information, that the aforementioned professional service contracts with Partners Environmental Consulting and TRC Companies are 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 professional service contracts with Partners Environmental Consulting and TRC Companies, for environmental site assessments and other associated work for the Brownfield Assessment Coalition Grant, for a three-year term, through September 30, 2029, in a total amount not to exceed $1,097,022.00, with $438,808.80 allocated to Partners Environmental Consulting and $658,213.20 allocated to TRC Companies, is hereby confirmed and the Executive is hereby authorized to execute said professional service contracts and any other necessary related documents.

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SECTION 2

This Resolution is hereby 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 to immediately provide necessary assistance to the County in managing and executing all aspects of the grant agreement.

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 of 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 October 26, 2026

ADOPTED October 26, 2026

Signed by: Monique Willis
CLERK OF COUNCIL

Signed by: Erin Dickinson
PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

APPROVED October 26, 2026

Signed by: Ilene Shapiro
EXECUTIVE

Voice Vote – YES: 10 – 0: Dickinson, Donofrio, Ford, Higham, Kacyon, Licate, McKenney, Schmidt, Walters, Wilhite
Absent: Darrow

ENACTED EFFECTIVE October 27, 2026