RESOLUTION NO. 2026-318

SPONSOR Executive Shapiro

DATE November 9, 2026 COMMITTEE Finance

A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of a purchase contract with FairlawnGig, as a Best Practical Source, for high-speed internet services and interconnectivity for all fiber connected county locations, for a one-year term, from 1/1/27 to 12/31/27, in an amount not to exceed $120,000.00, for the Office of Information Technology, and declaring an emergency.

WHEREAS, this Council previously adopted Resolution No. 2025-324, confirming the award by the Board of Control of a purchase contract with FairlawnGig, as a Best Practical Source, for high-speed internet services from 1/1/26 to 12/31/26, in an amount not to exceed $120,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned services include dedicated bandwidth and encrypted VPN services for several County buildings, priority 24/7/365 technical support, and support for the virtual courtroom project; and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned purchase contract is exempt from competitive bidding as FairlawnGig is a Best Practical Source pursuant to Sections 177.01(h)(4)(D) and 177.07(a)(5) of the Codified Ordinances of the County of Summit because it currently provides high-speed internet services required for several County locations; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Control, at its meeting held on November 11, 2026, awarded a purchase contract, subject to the approval of the Information Technology Board, with FairlawnGig, as a Best Practical Source, for high-speed internet services and interconnectivity for all fiber connected county locations, for a one-year term, from 1/1/27 to 12/31/27, in an amount not to exceed $120,000.00, subject to confirmation by this Council; and

WHEREAS, the Information Technology Board, at its meeting held on November 12, 2026, approved the aforementioned purchase contract with FairlawnGig; and

WHEREAS, this Council finds and determines, after reviewing all pertinent information, that the aforementioned purchase contract with FairlawnGig is 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 a purchase contract with FairlawnGig, as a Best Practical Source, for high-speed internet services and interconnectivity for all fiber connected county locations, for a one-year term, from 1/1/27 to 12/31/27, in an amount not to exceed $120,000.00, is hereby confirmed and the Executive is hereby authorized to execute said purchase contract and any other necessary related documents.

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 high-speed, reliable internet services and interconnectivity for the County.

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 November 9, 2026

ADOPTED _____

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CLERK OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

APPROVED _____

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EXECUTIVE

ENACTED EFFECTIVE _____