RESOLUTION NO. 2014-135

SPONSOR Mr. Pry

DATE March 31, 2014 COMMITTEE Public Works

A Resolution authorizing the County Executive to execute any documents necessary to enter into a collaborative contract with the various members of the Akron Metropolitan Area Transportation Study to select a vendor to evaluate and rate the roadway networks, provide documentation, measurements and photographs, develop data bases, and to provide the necessary software and training to assist in the analysis of the data, for the Engineer, and declaring an emergency.

WHEREAS, until recently, the Ohio Department of Transportation ("ODOT") would evaluate the condition of all state, interstate and local highways that form the network of roadways eligible for federal transportation funding; and

WHEREAS, the Akron Metropolitan Area Transportation Study ("AMATS") would utilize the scores to assist in ranking the various highway sections to determine which highways in the AMATS region would receive federal funding for resurfacing or reconstruction projects; and

WHEREAS, ODOT has informed AMATS that ODOT will cease its evaluation and scoring of all local highways across the state; and

WHEREAS, AMATS has elected to continue with the pavement evaluations using a private firm to field verify the pavement conditions, document the field conditions with measurements and photographs, enter the findings into a database and provide software and training to assist in determining proposed roadway improvement projects for the highways within the AMATS area; and

WHEREAS, the funding for this endeavor will be provided partially from the federal transportation funds allocated by ODOT to AMATS and partially from the local governmental agencies participating in the program; and

WHEREAS, a single collaborative contract with the vendor providing a unified comparable evaluation of the highway network will assist in the distribution of federal highway funds; and

WHEREAS, this Council finds and determines, after reviewing all pertinent information, that it is necessary and in the best interest of the County of Summit that the County Executive be authorized to execute any documents necessary to enter into the aforementioned collaborative contract;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the County of Summit, State of Ohio, that;
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SECTION 1

The County Executive is authorized to execute any documents necessary to enter into a collaborative contract with the various members of the Akron Metropolitan Area Transportation Study (“AMATS”) to select a vendor to evaluate and rate the roadway networks, provide documentation, measurements, and photographs, develop databases, and to provide the necessary software and training to assist in the analysis of the data.

SECTION 2

This Resolution is declared an emergency in the interest of the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the County of Summit, and for the further reason that it immediately provides for necessary improvements to the County’s highway system.

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 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 March 17, 2014

ADOPTED March 31, 2014

CLERK OF COUNCIL

APPROVED April 1, 2014

EXECUTIVE

ENACTED EFFECTIVE April 1, 2014

Voice Vote: 10-0 YES: Comunale, Crawford, Feeman, Kostandaras Kurt, Prentice, Rodgers, Roemer, Schmidt, Shapiro

ABSENT: Lee