RESOLUTION NO. 2014-375

SPONSOR     Mr. Pry

DATE       September 8, 2014

COMMITTEE    Public Safety

A Resolution authorizing the County Executive to execute an interlocal agreement with the City of Akron for the cost sharing of grant match funds for a Fiscal Year 2014 award of an Assistance to Firefighters grant to support upgrades to the countywide 800 MHz regional radio system, in an amount not to exceed, $73,787.00, for the Executive's Department of Law, Insurance and Risk Management – Division of Public Safety, and declaring an emergency.

WHEREAS, the County of Summit and the City of Akron have established a countywide 800 MHz regional radio system ("System") to coordinate interoperability and communications for public safety departments and other users for the benefit of county residents; and

WHEREAS, the System is experiencing end of life issues and requires significant and costly upgrades in order to maintain interoperability and operate on a current platform; and

WHEREAS, the City of Akron Fire Department applied for and was awarded a regional Fiscal Year 2014 Assistance to Firefighters Grant ("AFG") in the amount of $1,475,743.00, with a 10% local match requirement to assist with various upgrades to the System; and

WHEREAS, the County will provide half of the 10% match requirement, in an amount not to exceed $73,787.00; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the County of Summit and the City of Akron to execute an interlocal agreement for cost sharing for the local match requirement; and

WHEREAS, this Council finds and determines, after reviewing all pertinent information, that authorizing the Executive to execute the aforementioned interlocal agreement with the City of Akron 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 County Executive is hereby authorized to execute an interlocal agreement with the City of Akron for the cost sharing of grant match funds for a Fiscal Year 2014 award of an Assistance to Firefighters Grant ("AFG") to support upgrades to the countywide 800 MHz regional radio system, in an amount not to exceed $73,787.00.

SECTION 2

This Resolution is hereby declared an emergency in the interest of the health, safety and welfare of the citizens and employees of the County of Summit, and for the further reason that it is necessary in order to authorize the Executive to immediately execute the interlocal agreement in order to ensure performance under the grant is completed within required timelines.
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 August 18, 2014
ADOPTED September 8, 2014

CLERK OF COUNCIL

APPROVED September 9, 2014

EXECUTIVE

ENACTED EFFECTIVE September 9, 2014

Voice Vote: 11-0 YES: Comunale, Crawford, Feeman, Kostandaras Kurt, Lee, Prentice, Rodgers, Roemer, Schmidt, Shapiro