RESOLUTION NO. 2014-415

SPONSOR Mr. Pry, Ms. Shapiro

DATE September 22, 2014 COMMITTEE Planning

A Resolution authorizing the Executive to execute an updated Summit County Intergovernmental Memorandum of Understanding for Job Creation and Retention and Tax Revenue Sharing and encouraging communities throughout Summit County to sign the same, for the Executive’s Department of Community and Economic Development, and declaring an emergency.

WHEREAS, job losses result in social and human costs which can be a significant burden to the area, the region and state; and

WHEREAS, the County of Summit (“County”) and communities throughout Summit County recognize that it is imperative to cooperate and collaborate with each other for the economic benefit of the region and its resident taxpayers in order to attract and retain businesses and jobs; and

WHEREAS, there are many current and prospective employers who desire to remain or locate in Summit County; and

WHEREAS, the County and communities further recognize that cooperation is necessary for regional prosperity and enhancement of the local tax base and to successfully compete in global markets; and

WHEREAS, the County works with employers, prospective employers and individual communities within Summit County to provide tax and other incentives for purposes of retaining and locating prospective employers and facilities in communities within Summit County; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 2008-416, this Council authorized the County Executive to execute the Summit County Intergovernmental Memorandum of Understanding for Job Creation and Retention and Tax Revenue Sharing for the purposes of discouraging the offering of financial incentives to induce a business to relocate from one Summit County community to another, providing for revenue sharing between signatory communities in the event certain businesses relocate, and to provide certain economic development grant scoring incentives to signatory communities, and the same was subsequently signed by the Executive; and

WHEREAS, following the approval of this Council in 2008, several communities in Summit County have subsequently become signatory communities to the agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Memorandum of Understanding does not have any adverse impact on a business or company’s decision to locate or relocate within Summit County but merely addresses the relationship of government bodies that may be affected by those independent business decisions; and
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WHEREAS, the Memorandum of Understanding contains a provision that the signatory communities will annually review the document and make changes to the document that they collectively determine to be necessary; and

WHEREAS, in 2010, 2011 and 2012, this Council approved the annual revisions to the Memorandum of Understanding pursuant to Resolution No’s. 2010-111, 2011-167 and 2012-184, respectively and the pending revisions are the first ones since that time; and

WHEREAS, the communities have performed said review and have collectively recommended changes to the Memorandum of Understanding, most notably to address the impact of service agreements such as municipal water; 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 to authorize the Executive to execute the updated Summit County Intergovernmental Memorandum of Understanding for Job Creation and Tax Revenue Sharing which contains the aforementioned collective changes, and to encourage communities throughout Summit County to execute the same;

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 the updated Summit County Intergovernmental Memorandum of Understanding for Job Creation and Tax Revenue Sharing, attached hereto as Exhibit A, on behalf of the County of Summit.

SECTION 2

All communities throughout Summit County are hereby encouraged to execute the Summit County Intergovernmental Memorandum of Understanding for Job Creation and Tax Revenue Sharing.

SECTION 3

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 purpose of allowing the memorandum of understanding to be immediately signed by the County Executive and participating communities.

SECTION 4

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.
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SECTION 5

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 September 8, 2014

ADOPTED September 22, 2014

CLERK OF COUNCIL

APPROVED September 22, 2014

EXECUTIVE

ENACTED EFFECTIVE September 22, 2014

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