

1 ORDINANCE NO. 2013-364

2 SPONSOR Mr. Pry

3 DATE August 26, 2013 COMMITTEE Public Works

4 **An Ordinance enacting Chapter 943 of the Codified Ordinances of the County of Summit,**
5 **entitled "Comprehensive Storm Water Management," for the Engineer, and declaring an**
6 **emergency.**

7 WHEREAS, flooding is a significant threat to property, public health and safety, and
8 storm water management lessens flood damage by reducing and holding runoff and releasing it
9 slowly; and

10 WHEREAS, stream bank erosion is a significant threat to property, public health and
11 safety, and storm water management slows runoff and reduces its erosive force; and

12 WHEREAS, insufficient control of storm water can result in significant damage to
13 receiving water resources, impairing their capacity to sustain aquatic systems; and

14 WHEREAS, increases in impervious surfaces due to land development alter the
15 hydrology of local watersheds and increase storm water runoff rates and volumes, flooding,
16 stream channel erosion, and sediment transport and deposition; and

17 WHEREAS, storm water runoff contributes to increased quantities of pollutants to water
18 resources; and

19 WHEREAS, nonpoint source pollution can be controlled and minimized through the
20 regulation of runoff from land development projects; and

21 WHEREAS, there are watershed-wide efforts to reduce flooding, erosion, and water
22 quality problems in the Cuyahoga River, Rocky River and Tuscarawas River Watersheds, and to
23 protect and enhance the water resources of the Cuyahoga, Rocky and Tuscarawas rivers; and

24 WHEREAS, Summit County finds that the lands and waters within its borders are finite
25 natural resources and that their quality is of primary importance in promoting and maintaining
26 public health and safety within its borders; and

27 WHEREAS, the County of Summit desires to establish standards, principles, and
28 procedures for the regulation of soil-disturbing activities that may increase flooding and erosion
29 and have adverse impact on water resources, resulting from storm water runoff; and

30 WHEREAS, 40 C.F.R. Parts 9, 122, 123, and 124, and Ohio Administrative Code 3745-
31 39 require designated communities, including the County of Summit, to develop a Storm Water
32 Management Program that, among other components, requires the County of Summit to
33 implement standards, principles, and procedures to regulate the quality of storm water runoff
34 during and after soil disturbing activities; and

35 WHEREAS, this Council finds and determines, after reviewing all pertinent information,
36 that it is necessary and in the best interest of the County to enact Chapter 943 of the Codified
37 Ordinances of the County of Summit, entitled "Comprehensive Storm Water Management," for
38 the reasons identified above;

39 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the County of Summit, State
40 of Ohio, that:

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4 SECTION 1

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6 Chapter 943 of the Codified Ordinances of the County of Summit, entitled,
7 Comprehensive Storm Water Management," is hereby adopted in the version set forth on Exhibit
8 A, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

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10 SECTION 2

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12 This Ordinance is hereby declared an emergency in the interest of the health, safety and
13 welfare of the citizens of the County of Summit and for further purpose of immediately
14 addressing water quality and flooding issues within the County.

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16 SECTION 3

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18 Provided this Ordinance receives the affirmative vote of eight members, it shall take
19 effect immediately upon its adoption and approval by the Executive; otherwise, it shall take
20 effect and be in force at the earliest time provided by law.


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22 SECTION 4

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24 It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating
25 to the adoption of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all
26 deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action,
27 were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section
28 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

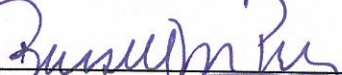
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31 INTRODUCED August 12, 2013

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37 CLERK OF COUNCIL


PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

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39 APPROVED August 27, 2013

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45 ENACTED EFFECTIVE August 27, 2013

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

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