

1 RESOLUTION NO. 2022-039

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3 SPONSOR Executive Shapiro

4  
5 DATE February 28, 2022

COMMITTEE Public Safety

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7 **A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of an intergovernmental**  
8 **agreement with FairlawnGig, as a Best Practical Source, to provide internet service and**  
9 **interconnectivity for the Criminal Justice Virtual Courtroom Project, for a one year term,**  
10 **from 1/1/22 through 12/31/22, in an amount not to exceed \$195,600.00, for the Executive's**  
11 **Department of Public Safety, and declaring an emergency.**

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13 WHEREAS, in response to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic,  
14 Summit County has utilized the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act ("CARES  
15 Act," CARES funding to purchase equipment through ExhibitOne and BeInCourt to create a  
16 county-wide criminal justice virtual courtroom platform; and

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18 WHEREAS, the Criminal Justice Virtual Courtroom Project (the "Project") will connect  
19 the municipal courts in the Cities of Akron, Barberton and Stow, all divisions of the Court of  
20 Common Pleas, the Summit County Jail, Akron Bar Association, Legal Defender's Office and  
21 community corrections facilities; and

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23 WHEREAS, the Executive wishes to retain FairlawnGig to provide the internet service  
24 and interconnectivity among the aforementioned stakeholders in the Project, the cost of which  
25 shall be charged back to the respective stakeholders; and

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27 WHEREAS, FairlawnGig is a Best Practical Source pursuant to Sections 177.01(h)(4)D.  
28 and 177.07(a)(5) of the Codified Ordinances of the County of Summit because it is currently  
29 providing fiber and internet services for the larger County broadband project, as well as for  
30 county-wide computer-aided dispatch operations via an intergovernmental agreement; and

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32 WHEREAS, the Information Technology Board, at its meeting held on January 13, 2022,  
33 approved a contract with FairlawnGig to provide internet service and interconnectivity for the  
34 Project, for a one year term, from 1/1/22 through 12/31/22, in an amount not to exceed  
35 \$195,600.00; and

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37 WHEREAS, the Board of Control, at its meeting held on January 26, 2022, awarded a  
38 contract with FairlawnGig as a Best Practical Source; and

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40 WHEREAS, this Council finds and determines, after reviewing all pertinent information,  
41 that the aforementioned contract with FairlawnGig is necessary and in the best interest of the  
42 County of Summit;

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44 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the County of Summit, State  
45 of Ohio, that:

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47 SECTION 1

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49 The award by the Board of Control of a contract to provide internet service and  
50 interconnectivity for the Criminal Justice Virtual Courtroom Project (the "Project"), for a one  
51 year term, from 1/1/22 through 12/31/22, in an amount not to exceed \$195,600.00, is  
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4 SECTION 1 (Continued)

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6 hereby confirmed and the Executive is hereby authorized to execute said contract and any other  
7 necessary related documents.

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9 SECTION 2

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11 This Resolution is declared an emergency in the interest of the health, safety, and welfare  
12 of the residents of the County of Summit, and for the further reason that it authorizes the  
13 Executive to immediately provide internet service and interconnectivity for the Project.

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15 SECTION 3

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

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21 SECTION 4

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

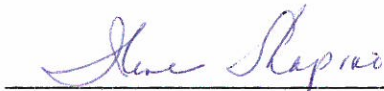
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30 INTRODUCED February 7, 2022

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32 ADOPTED February 28, 2022

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36 CLERK OF COUNCIL

  
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38 PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

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40 APPROVED February 28, 2022

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43 EXECUTIVE

44 ENACTED EFFECTIVE March 3, 2022

Voice Vote - YES: 11-0: Darrow, DeVitis, Dickinson, Donofrio,  
Feeman, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Sims, Walters, Wilhite