### ANDERSON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

December 19, 2024

R. Dee Stone, Trustee Chair Lexi Lausten, Trustee Vice Chair Joshua S. Gerth, Trustee Brian M. Johnson, Fiscal Officer

Mrs. Stone called the meeting to order and welcomed attendees including: Fiscal Officer Brian Johnson, Township Administrator Vicky Earhart, Assistant Township Administrator for Operations Steve Sievers, Assistant Township Administrator for Human Resources Suzanne Parker, Planning & Zoning Director Paul Drury, Public Works Director Eric Luginbuhl, Law Director Margaret Comey, Anderson Township Fire & Rescue Chief Richard Martin, Sheriff's Department Lt. Dave Downing, Fiscal Office Manager Katie Arnold, Fiscal Office Clerk Karen Von Holle.

Call to order-4:30 P.M.

**Motion to Retire to Executive Session** 

Mrs. Stone moved to retire to Executive Session to consider the appointment or compensation of a public employee or official as permitted by Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(1). Mrs. Lausten seconded the motion.

Mr. Johnson called the roll: Mrs. Lausten, yes; Mr. Gerth, yes; Mrs. Stone, yes.

Motion to Return to Open Session – 5:30 P.M

Mrs. Stone moved to return from Executive Session. Mrs. Lausten seconded the motion.

Mr. Johnson called the roll: Mrs. Lausten, yes; Mr. Gerth, yes; Mrs. Stone, yes.

Motion to Adopt Agenda

Mrs. Stone moved to adopt the agenda as presented. Mr. Gerth seconded the motion.

Mr. Johnson called the roll: Mrs. Lausten, yes; Mr. Gerth, yes; Mrs. Stone, yes.

#### Pledge of Allegiance

Mrs. Stone led the pledge of allegiance.

#### **Public Forum**

No one came forward.

#### **Trustee Comment**

The board wished everyone a Merry Christmas. **Mrs. Stone** stated she would not be Board President in 2025 and said it was a pleasure serving and thanked the rest of the Board and staff for all their help while she served.

#### **Fiscal Officer**

#### Financial Reports

Mr. Johnson presented the financial reports and the collections to date.

#### Resolution Authorizing Transfers

Mr. Johnson explained the need to transfer funds from the General Fund to Fund 56 and recommended the board adopt the following resolution.

Mrs. Lausten moved to adopt the following resolution. Mr. Gerth seconded the motion.

Mr. Johnson called the roll: Mrs. Lausten, yes; Mr. Gerth, yes; Mrs. Stone, yes.

## RESOLUTION NO. 24 – 1219 – 01 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TRANSFERS

Now, therefore, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Township Trustees (the "Board") of Anderson Township, Hamilton County, Ohio (the "Township"), as follows:

SECTION 1. This Board hereby authorizes forgiveness of the outstanding balance of an advance made to Fund 55 (Fire Prevention & Safety Grant) in the amount of \$233.09 ("Interfund Loan A").

SECTION 2. This Board hereby authorizes forgiveness of the outstanding balance of an advance made to Fund 56 (Port Security Grant) in the amount of \$1,645.47 ("Interfund Loan B").

SECTION 3. This Board hereby reclassifies Interfund Loan A as a "transfer" rather than an "advance" and hereby appropriates \$233.09 from the General Fund for such purpose.

SECTION 4. This Board hereby reclassifies Interfund Loan B as a "transfer" rather than an "advance" and hereby appropriates \$1,645.47 from the General Fund for such purpose.

SECTION 5. That this Board hereby finds and determines that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the passage of this resolution were taken in open meetings of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal actions were taken in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including

(without implied limitation) Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22, except as otherwise permitted thereby.

#### Fiscal Year-End Revenue & Appropriation Adjustments

Mr. Johnson explained the below year-end adjustments to revenue and appropriations and recommended the board adopt the following motion.

The original revenue estimates were \$56,704,155. However, actual receipts are expected to be about 3.28% higher, totaling \$58,562,545.

Fire EMS billing significantly underperformed expectations because of the cybersecurity attack on Change Healthcare. We initially anticipated \$1,200,000 but revised it to \$350,000.

The original appropriations were \$63,029,990, but the revised amount is approximately 14.28% lower, at \$54,028,927. The most significant reduction in estimated expenditures is the TIF funds.

#### MOTION NO. 24 - 1219 - 02

Mr. Gerth moved to adopt the Year-End Revenue and Appropriation adjustments as outlined by Fiscal Officer Brian Johnson. Mrs. Lausten seconded the motion.

Mr. Johnson called the roll: Mrs. Lausten, yes; Mr. Gerth, yes; Mrs. Stone, yes.

There was no further discussion.

#### **Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes**

Mr. Johnson presented the October 17, 2024, minutes and recommended the board adopt the following motion approving them.

#### **MOTION NO. 24 – 1219 – 04**

Mrs. Lausten moved to adopt the meeting minutes of October 17, 2024, as presented by the Fiscal Officer. Mr. Gerth seconded the motion.

Mr. Johnson called the roll: Mrs. Lausten, yes; Mr. Gerth, yes; Mrs. Stone, yes.

There was no further discussion.

#### Law Director

There was no new business.

#### Finance Department

There was no new business.

#### Fire & Rescue Department

Hamilton County Fire Investigations Unit Recognition of Assistant Chief Robert Herrlinger

Chief Martin stated assistant Chief Herrlinger won Investigator of the Year. He mentioned the trainings involved, the investigations Mr. Herrlinger performed within the township, and the investigations for other fire departments. The board congratulated him.

Resolution Authorizing the Purchase of Equipment, Materials, Supplies and Services Through an Intergovernmental Purchasing Cooperative Pursuant to Authority of Section 9.48 of the Ohio Revised Code and Authorizing the Township Administrator to Enter Into That Certain Sourcewell Cooperative Purchasing Program Participation Agreement with Sourcewell on Behalf of the Township as a Participating Entity

Mr. Martin presented the benefits of being in the Sourcewell Cooperative Purchasing Program and recommended the board adopt the following resolution.

Mrs. Lausten moved to adopt the following resolution. Mr. Gerth seconded the motion.

Mr. Johnson called the roll: Mrs. Lausten, yes; Mr. Gerth, yes; Mrs. Stone, yes.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 24 – 1219 – 05**

AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT, MATERIALS, SUPPLIES AND SERVICES THROUGH AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL PURCHASING COOPERATIVE PURSUANT TO AUTHORITY OF SECTION 9.48 OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE AND AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATOR TO ENTER INTO THAT CERTAIN SOURCEWELL COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT WITH SOURCEWELL ON BEHALF OF THE TOWNSHIP AS A PARTICIPATING ENTITY

WHEREAS, Section 9.48 of the Ohio Revised Code (the "Statute") permits, among other things, (i) political subdivisions to participate in a joint purchasing program operated by or through a national or state association of political subdivisions in which the purchasing political subdivision is eligible for membership; and (ii) the acquisition by a political subdivision of equipment, materials, supplies and services through participation in a contract of another political subdivision or participation in an association program under the Statute; and

WHEREAS, the acquisition of equipment, materials, supplies and services by a political subdivision through participation in a joint purchasing program under the Statute is exempt from any competitive selection requirements otherwise required by law, if the contract in which it is participating has been awarded pursuant to a publicly solicited request for a proposal or a competitive selection procedure of another political subdivision within this State or in another state; provided, that no political subdivision shall acquire equipment, materials, supplies or services by participating in a contract under the Statute if it has received bids for such acquisition, unless its participation enables it to make the acquisition upon the same terms, conditions and specifications at a lower price; and

WHEREAS, Sourcewell is a State of Minnesota local government unit and service cooperative created under the laws of the State of Minnesota ("Sourcewell") and government

procurement service permitting governmental units (as used in Section 123A.21 of Minnesota Statutes), including political subdivisions of Minnesota or another state, to become participating entities in Sourcewell; and

WHEREAS, Sourcewell has represented that all Sourcewell contracts available to participating entities have been awarded by virtue of a public competitive procurement process; and

WHEREAS, the Sourcewell Cooperative Purchasing Program Participation Agreement (the "Participation Agreement") presented to this Board provides that the Participation Agreement will be effective upon the date of a completed registration and will remain in effect until canceled by either party upon thirty (30) days written notice to the other party; and

WHEREAS, this Board deems it to be in the best interest of the Township to reduce the cost of acquisitions of equipment, materials, supplies and services whenever and to the extent lawful;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Township Trustees (the "Board") of Anderson Township, County of Hamilton, State of Ohio (the "Township"), as follows:

- Section 1. The Board hereby determines that it is in the best interest of the Township to become a participating entity in Sourcewell in order to enable the Township to reduce the cost of acquisitions of equipment, materials, supplies and services whenever and to the extent lawful by making acquisitions of equipment, materials, supplies and services pursuant to contracts awarded by Sourcewell pursuant to a publicly solicited request for a proposal or a competitive selection procedure. The authorization provided for by this Resolution shall not preclude the acquisition of equipment, materials, supplies and services by the Township pursuant to state bid through the contract of the State of Ohio, Department of Administrative Services, General Services Division, Office of Procurement Services (the "State Bid") and by any other lawful means that provides financial advantage to the Township, including other cooperative purchasing programs in which the Township participates; provided that the Township shall not participate in a Sourcewell contract if the Township has received bids for such acquisition, unless its participation enables it to make the acquisition upon the same terms, conditions, and specifications at a lower price.
- Section 2. The substantial form of the Participation Agreement presented to this Board is hereby approved and the Township Administrator is hereby authorized to execute, on behalf of this Board, the Participation Agreement and any necessary and appropriate documentation, including Transaction Documents as contemplated in the Participation Agreement, after review by the Law Director, to provide for participation of the Township as a participating entity in Sourcewell and its cooperative purchasing program, and to effect any acquisitions thereunder.
- Section 3. That this Board hereby finds and determines that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were taken in open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal actions were taken in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including (without implied limitation) Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22, except as otherwise permitted hereby.

There was no further discussion.

Resolution Authorizing the Purchase of Equipment Pursuant to Section 505.101 of the Ohio Revised Code

- Mr. Martin presented the cost saving and timing benefits of medic unit remounting and recommended the board adopt the following resolution.
- Mr. Gerth moved to adopt the below resolution. Mrs. Lausten seconded the motion.
- Mr. Johnson called the roll: Mrs. Lausten, yes; Mr. Gerth, yes; Mrs. Stone, yes.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 24 – 1219 – 06**

## AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 505.101 OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE

WHEREAS, Section 505.101 of the Ohio Revised Code provides for the purchase of materials, equipment or supplies, without advertising or bidding, from any department, agency, or political subdivision of the state;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Township Trustees ("Board") of Anderson Township, County of Hamilton, State of Ohio ("Township"), as follows:

- Section 1. That the Board hereby determines that it is in the best interest of the Township to refurbish a paramedic unit which includes the Township to acquire by purchase certain equipment, to-wit, a truck chassis as new ("Equipment"), and the refurbishment of currently owned Equipment which new Equipment is available to the Township as a participating agency of Sourcewell, a service cooperative created under the laws of Minnesota that offers cooperative procurement to government entities under Solicitation Number RFP #122123.
- Section 2. That the maximum amount to be paid as the purchase price for the refurbishment and new Equipment is \$325,000.00, for which funds have been previously appropriated by this Board for the purpose and remain otherwise unencumbered.
- Section 3. That the Township Administrator is hereby authorized to execute the necessary and appropriate purchase agreement(s) and/or documentation, after review by the Law Director, to effectuate the purchase of the aforesaid ambulance in accordance with this Resolution.
- Section 4. That this Board hereby finds and determines that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were taken in open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal actions were taken in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including (without implied limitation) Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22, except as otherwise permitted hereby.

Resolution Authorizing the Purchase of Equipment Pursuant to Section 505.37 of the Ohio Revised Code

Mr. Martin presented the benefits of having a software auding system to monitor the fire trucks and medic units. It monitors and collects data and provides the department with data that it can use to improve department performance.

Mrs. Lausten moved to adopt the following resolution. Mr. Gerth seconded the motion.

Mr. Johnson called the roll: Mrs. Lausten, yes; Mr. Gerth, yes; Mrs. Stone, yes.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 24 – 1219 – 07**

## AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 505.37 OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 505.37 of the Ohio Revised Code, a board of township trustees of a limited home rule township, with the approval of the specifications by the township's law director, may purchase, lease, lease with the option to purchase, or otherwise provide, among other things, any fire apparatus or other fire equipment, appliances, and materials for firefighting and fire and rescue purposes that seems advisable to the board; and

WHEREAS, Samsara Inc., a Delaware corporation, authorized to do business in Ohio, ("Vendor") is an entity that provides fleet system monitoring products that provide real-time tracking data relating to all vehicle systems warnings, continuously monitoring vehicle systems such as tire pressure, temperature, and liquid levels, and performing other vehicle diagnostics, as well as tracking real-time GPS positions and driving characteristics, all of which will aid the Township in providing for the care and maintenance of fire apparatus and equipment for firefighting and fire and rescue purposes and thereby enabling the Township to improve its operations and operate its fire apparatus and equipment more safely and efficiently;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Township Trustees ("Board") of Anderson Township, County of Hamilton, State of Ohio ("Township"), as follows:

- Section 1. That this Board hereby determines that it is advisable and in the best interest of the Township to acquire by purchase, certain fire apparatus, equipment, appliances and materials comprised of 13 telematics units and related equipment to be installed on Township fire apparatus and to enter into 12 month renewable Licenses for Vehicle Gateways related thereto ("Licenses") necessary to perform certain asset tracking and to provide certain diagnostics data by means of the telematics units (collectively, "Equipment"), all as described in the Quote provided by the Vendor, which Equipment is available for purchase from the Vendor.
- Section 2. That this Board hereby authorizes the purchase of the Equipment from the Vendor at a maximum purchase price not to exceed \$3500.00, which maximum purchase price is below the public bidding threshold and for which funds have been previously appropriated by this Board for the purpose and remain otherwise unencumbered. In addition, this Board hereby authorizes renewal of the Licenses at a cost in the second year at an aggregate purchase price not to exceed \$3100.00.
- Section 3. That the Township Administrator is hereby authorized to execute the necessary and appropriate purchase agreement, license agreements and/or related documentation,

after review by the Law Director, to effectuate the purchase of the Equipment in accordance with this Resolution.

- Section 4. That the preambles hereto shall be and shall be construed to be integral parts of this Resolution.
- Section 5. That this Board hereby finds and determines that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were taken in open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal actions were taken in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including (without implied limitation) Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22, except as otherwise permitted hereby.

There was no further discussion.

Resolution Authorizing the Memorandum of Understanding Relating to Lease of Boat Dock Slip at Four Seasons Marina for Housing a Township Watercraft Pursuant to Section 505.37 of the Ohio Revised Code

- Mr. Martin presented the opportunity to lease a boat slip at Four Seasons for the department's new rescue boat at no cost and recommended the board adopt the following resolution.
- Mr. Gerth moved to adopt the below resolution. Mrs. Lausten seconded the motion.
- Mr. Johnson called the roll: Mrs. Lausten, yes; Mr. Gerth, yes; Mrs. Stone, yes.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 24 – 1219 – 08**

#### AUTHORIZING THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING RELATING TO LEASE OF BOAT DOCK SLIP AT FOUR SEASONS MARINA FOR HOUSING A TOWNSHIP WATERCRAFT PURSUANT TO SECTION 505.37 OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 505.37 of the Ohio Revised Code, a board of township trustees of a limited home rule township, with the approval of the specifications by the township's law director, may purchase, lease, lease with the option to purchase, or otherwise provide, among other things, any fire apparatus or other fire equipment, appliances, and materials for firefighting and fire and rescue purposes that seems advisable to the board; and

WHEREAS, the Township has acquired a 24 foot Packman welded aluminum high speed landing craft, 2022 production model from the William E. Munson Company (the "Township Watercraft") to aid the Township in providing firefighting and fire and rescue services on the Ohio River; and

WHEREAS, Four Season Marina Inc., an Ohio corporation ("FSM"), is an inland marina located along the Ohio River at 4853 Kellogg Avenue, Cincinnati, OH 45226, that provides 450 boat slips and full marine services; and

WHEREAS, FSM has offered to provide a covered boat slip for housing the Township Watercraft for a period of ten (10) years at no cost to the Township, which is tantamount to a

lease at an annual rental payment of \$-0-, in accordance with the terms of a memorandum of understanding, by and between this Board and FSM (the "MOU");

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Township Trustees ("Board") of Anderson Township, County of Hamilton, State of Ohio ("Township"), as follows:

- Section 1. That this Board hereby determines that it is advisable and in the best interest of the Township to enter into the MOU with FSM providing for the use of a covered boat slip for housing the Township Watercraft at FSM, substantially in the form presented to this Board.
- Section 2. That the Township Administrator is hereby authorized to execute the MOU in substantially the form presented to this Board with such changes thereto as she deems, after consultation with the Law Director, not to be disadvantageous to the Township, said determination being evidenced by her execution and delivery of the MOU.
- Section 3. That the preambles hereto shall be and shall be construed to be integral parts of this Resolution.
- Section 4. That this Board hereby finds and determines that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were taken in open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal actions were taken in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including (without implied limitation) Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22, except as otherwise permitted hereby.

Chief Martin stated the annual stuff the medic toy drive resulted in 1055 being donated to IPM families. He thanked all the firefighters who helped make the event successful and thanked the community for the donations and support.

Mr. Gerth stated a group was bringing back the Fireman's Festival on May 31st at Belterra Park.

#### Planning & Zoning

There was no new business.

#### Sheriff's Office

There was no new business.

#### **Public Works Department**

Request for Authorization to Bid 2025 Curb and Sidewalk Program

Ms. Earhart presented the 2025 paving program, estimated costs, projected bid opening, and funding. The estimated time frame is starting April 1, and finishing before school starts. She recommended the board adopt the following motion.

#### <u>MOTION NO. 24 – 1219 – 09</u>

Mrs. Lausten moved to authorize bid preparation and advertisement for the 2025 paving program. Mr. Gerth seconded the motion.

Mr. Johnson called the roll: Mrs. Lausten, yes; Mr. Gerth, yes; Mrs. Stone, yes.

There was no further discussion.

#### **Township Administrator**

Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of Proposal of Profit Systems Inc. for the Provision of EventPro Software

Ms. Earhart presented the need to replace the event management software, which the township purchased in 2008, and recommended the board adopt the following resolution.

Mrs. Lausten moved to adopt the following resolution. Mr. Gerth seconded the motion.

Mr. Johnson called the roll: Mrs. Lausten, yes; Mr. Gerth, yes; Mrs. Stone, yes.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 24 – 1219 – 10**

## RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF PROPOSAL OF PROFIT SYSTEMS INC. FOR THE PROVISION OF EVENTPRO SOFTWARE

WHEREAS, Profit Systems Inc., a Canadian corporation ("PSI"), is the maker of, among others, event management software known as EventPro Software ("EventPro"); and

WHEREAS, PSI proposes to provide to the Township certain modules of its event management software, as described in the Investment Proposal ("EventPro Proposal"), the substantial form of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A and by this reference is incorporated herein;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Township Trustees (the "Board") of Anderson Township, Hamilton County, Ohio (the "Township"), that:

SECTION 1. This Board hereby determines that it is in the best interest of the Township to, and that the Township shall, acquire the EventPro Software modules, training and related items described in the EventPro Proposal, to provide for efficiencies in event management by the Township.

SECTION 2. The substantial form of the EventPro Proposal attached hereto as Exhibit A is hereby approved and the Township Administrator is hereby authorized to accept and execute the EventPro Proposal with such changes thereto as the Township Administrator, after consultation with the Law Director, has determined are not materially adverse to the Township, such determination being evidenced by her execution of the EventPro Proposal.

SECTION 3. That funds for payment for the acquisition of the EventPro Software and related training and related items pursuant to the EventPro Proposal in a maximum amount not to exceed \$35,000 been appropriated.

SECTION 4. The preambles hereto are and shall for all purposes be construed to be integral and operative parts of this Resolution.

SECTION 5. This Board hereby finds and determines that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the passage of the foregoing resolution were taken in open meetings of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal actions were taken in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including (without implied limitation) Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code, except as otherwise permitted thereby.

There was no further discussion.

#### 2025 Insurance Renewals

Ms. Parker presented the township's insurance coverage and recommended the board adopt the following motion.

#### **MOTION NO. 24 – 1219 – 11**

Mr. Gerth moved to authorize the Assistant Township Administrator for Human Resources to renew the 2025 plan year contracts with Superior Dental, MetLife and Reliance Standard as presented. Mrs. Lausten seconded the motion.

Mr. Johnson called the roll: Mrs. Lausten, yes; Mr. Gerth, yes; Mrs. Stone, yes.

There was no further discussion.

#### 2025 Citizen Committee Appointments

Mr. Seivers read the following names and thanked all the citizen committee members and recommended the board approve their appointment with the following motion.

#### **MOTION NO. 24 – 1219 – 12**

#### Mrs. Lausten moved to appoint the following for 2025:

As members of the Anderson Township Greenspace Advisory Committee for 2025:

Ronald Edgerton, Chair

Rick Voss

Paul Braasch

Brian Johnson, Fiscal Officer

**Russ Romme** 

As members of the Anderson Township Tree Committee for 2025:

John Halpin, Chair

Jim Rombke

Bruce Berno

Ron Trenkamp

Carol King

Rick Voss

Tim Kloppenborg

Joe Willging

Chris Pfetzer

As members of the Greater Anderson Township Betterment Commission for 2025:

Chris Cauley **Amy Broghamer**  Ron Edgerton Dee Stone

Katie Buchman

As members of the Anderson Township Senior Center Advisory Committee for 2025;

Abbe Lackmeyer Marcia Cole Julie Bissinger Steven Long Sherry Burnside Mary Nicholson Sarah Celenza George Zabrecky

As members of the Anderson Township Plan Implementation Committee for 2025.

Vicki Beck Jay Lewis Katie Buchman Elizabeth Maier Matt Chaffin Anne Miller Kevin Comerford Dan O'Rourke Duane Donohoo Matt Owen Zach Peterson Stephen Feagins Paul Sheckels Peg Fenner

Karen Schwamberger Brian Gay

Andrea Granieri Paul Sian Lindsey Griffis Cindy Sieber John Halpin Karl Sieber Joe Hice Susan Wheatley Jim Willis

Nicole Hunter

Philip Kiley

#### Mr. Gerth seconded.

Mr. Johnson called the roll: Mrs. Lausten, yes; Mr. Gerth, yes; Mrs. Stone, yes.

#### Five Mile Improvements Change Order

Mr. Seivers presented a change order from Bansal Construction for the Five Mile and Towne Center Way traffic signal project, the reasons for the change, the additional work needed, and recommended the board approve the following motion.

#### **MOTION NO. 24 – 1219 – 13**

Mr. Gerth moved that this board hereby authorizes a change order from Bansal Construction for the Five Mile and Towne Center Way traffic signal project in the amount of \$55,809.01, utilizing 1994 TIF funds in the 2024 budget. Mrs. Lausten seconded the motion.

Mr. Johnson called the roll: Mrs. Lausten, yes; Mr. Gerth, yes; Mrs. Stone, yes.

There was no further discussion.

Request to Authorize a Contract with Choice One Engineering for Final Engineering of a New Sidewalk Along a Portion of Little Dry Run Road Between Woodstone Drive and Bridle Road

Mr. Seivers presented a new sidewalk project and recommended the board approve the following motion.

#### **MOTION NO. 24 – 1219 – 14**

Mrs. Lausten moved to authorize the Township Administrator to enter into a contract with Choice One Engineering, following review by the Law Director, for final engineering of a new sidewalk along a portion of Little Dry Run Road between Woodstone Drive and Bridle Road, utilizing 1994 TIF funds in the 2024 budget, in an amount not to exceed \$24,705, including a 10% contingency of \$2,470. Mr. Gerth seconded the motion.

Mr. Johnson called the roll: Mrs. Lausten, yes; Mr. Gerth, yes; Mrs. Stone, yes.

There was no further discussion.

#### Resolution With Respect to Anderson Township EV Charging Project

Mr. Seivers presented an update to the EV charging project, the installation of 4 fast charging stations, locations, funding, the township's responsibility, and recommended the board approve the following resolution.

Mr. Gerth moved to adopt the below resolution. Mrs. Lausten seconded the motion.

Mr. Johnson called the roll: Mrs. Lausten, yes; Mr. Gerth, yes; Mrs. Stone, yes.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 24 – 1219 – 15**

## RESOLUTION WITH RESPECT TO ANDERSON TOWNSHIP EV CHARGING PROJECT

WHEREAS, the Board of Township Trustees of Anderson Township, Hamilton County, Ohio, hereinafter referred to as the Local Public Agency ("LPA"), and the State of Ohio have previously determined the need to improve electric vehicle charging station ("EV Stations") options for motorists in Anderson Township ("Project");

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Township Trustees (the "Board") of Anderson Township, Hamilton County, Ohio (the "Township"), as follows:

SECTION 1. Consent Statement. Being in the public interest, the LPA gives consent to the Ohio Director of Transportation to complete the Project.

SECTION 2. Cooperation Statement. The LPA shall cooperate with the Ohio Director of Transportation in undertaking the Project as follows:

- A. The LPA agrees to participate in the cost of the Project. LPA will be responsible for one hundred percent (100%) of the cost of the Preliminary Engineering and Right-of-Way Phases; estimated to be \$150,000, and commits such funding to the Project.
- B. The total cost of the Project ("Construction Cost") is estimated to be \$1,199,305 of which ODOT will provide to the LPA one hundred percent (100%) of the eligible costs, in federal funds administered by ODOT.
- C. The LPA further agrees to pay one hundred percent (100%) of the cost of those features requested by the LPA which are determined by the State and the Federal Highway Administration to be beyond the scope of the Project.
- D. The LPA further agrees that change orders and extra work contracts required to fulfill the construction contracts shall be processed as needed. The State shall not approve a change order or extra work contract until it first gives notice, in writing, to the LPA. The LPA shall contribute its share of the cost of these items in accordance with other sections herein.
- E. ODOT and LPA agree to the "LPA ODOT Let Project Responsibility Assignments" included in the LPA Federal ODOT LET PROJECT AGREEMENT, by and between ODOT and the LPA, a copy of which is attached hereto (the "Agreement").

SECTION 3. Utilities and Right-of-Way Statement. The LPA agrees to acquire and/or make available to the Ohio Department of Transportation ("ODOT"), in accordance with current State and federal regulations, all necessary right-of-way required for the Project. The LPA also understands that right-of-way costs include eligible utility costs.

The LPA agrees to be responsible for all utility accommodation, relocation and reimbursement and agrees that such accommodation, relocations, and reimbursements shall comply with the current provisions of 23 CFR 645 and the ODOT Utilities Manual.

SECTION 4. Maintenance. Upon completion of the Project, and unless otherwise agreed, the LPA shall: (1) provide adequate maintenance for the Project in accordance with all applicable State and federal laws, including, but not limited to, Title 23, U.S.C., Section 116; and

(2) provide sufficient financial provisions, as necessary, for the maintenance of the Project for no less than five (5) years.

SECTION 5. Authority to Sign. This Board hereby approves the form of the Agreement substantially in the form presented to this Board and the Township Administrator of the LPA is hereby authorized on behalf of this Board, to (a) execute and deliver the Agreement in substantially the form attached hereto, with such revisions thereto as she deems, after consultation with the Law Director, not to be disadvantageous to the LPA, such determination being conclusively evidenced by her execution of the Agreement, and (b) enter into such additional Project contracts with (i) ODOT pre-qualified consultants for the Preliminary Engineering and Right-of-Way phases of the Project, and (ii) the Ohio Director of Transportation, as are necessary to complete the Project and to carry out the intent of this Resolution, after review thereof by the Law Director.

SECTION 6. Certification. The Fiscal Officer or his designee shall certify two (2) copies of this Resolution to the Ohio Department of Transportation District 8, 505 S. State Route 741, Lebanon, Ohio 45036, Attention: Mr. Kenneth Padgett, Local Public Agency Project Manager.

SECTION 7. Preamble. The preamble hereto is and shall for all purposes be construed to be an integral and operative part of this resolution.

SECTION 8. Sunshine Law Finding. This Board hereby finds and determines that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the passage of this resolution were taken in open meetings of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal actions were taken in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including (without implied limitation) R.C. §121.22, except as otherwise permitted thereby.

There was no further discussion.

#### Request to Renew Membership in the Coalition of Large Ohio Urban Townships

Ms. Earhart requested the board renew the township's membership in the Coalition of Large Ohio Urban Townships (CLOUT) with the following motion.

#### **MOTION NO. 24 – 1219 – 16**

Mrs. Lausten moved to authorize membership in the Coalition of Large Ohio Urban Townships, a sub-committee of the Ohio Township association, for the year 2025 in an amount not to exceed \$200. Mr. Gerth seconded the motion.

Mr. Johnson called the roll: Mrs. Lausten, yes; Mr. Gerth, yes; Mrs. Stone, yes.

Resolution Approving a Second Amendment to Lease Agreement With the Anderson Area Chamber of Commerce, Inc., as Amended, and Authorizing its Execution and Delivery by the Township Administrator

Ms. Earhart requested the board renew the township's lease agreement with the Anderson Area Chamber of Commerce with the following resolution.

Mrs. Lausten moved to adopt the below resolution. Mr. Gerth seconded the motion.

Mr. Johnson called the roll: Mrs. Lausten, yes; Mr. Gerth, yes; Mrs. Stone, yes.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 24 – 1219 – 17**

# APPROVING A SECOND AMENDMENT TO LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE ANDERSON AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, INC., AS AMENDED, AND AUTHORIZING ITS EXECUTION AND DELIVERY BY THE TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATOR

WHEREAS, when, in its opinion, the Township would be benefited, this Board is authorized pursuant to Section 505.11(A) of the Revised Code, to lease real property to any person upon terms agreed upon by the Board and the lessee; and

WHEREAS, this Board previously authorized, executed and delivered a Lease Agreement, effective as of January 1, 2019, with the Anderson Area Chamber of Commerce, Inc., (the "Original Lease") relating to the lease of space within Anderson Center, and that certain First Amendment to Lease Agreement dated as of January 1, 2022 (the "First Amendment" and together with the Original Lease, the "Original Lease as amended"), which Original Lease as amended will terminate December 31, 2024 unless it is renewed and its term is extended; and

WHEREAS, this Board determines that the Township will be benefited by the continued lease of space within Anderson Center to the Anderson Area Chamber of Commerce, Inc. ("the Chamber"), an Ohio nonprofit corporation, and deems it to be in the best interest of the Township to enter into a Second Amendment to Lease Agreement (the "Second Amendment") with the Chamber for the purpose of extending the term of and amending the Original Lease as amended;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Township Trustees (the "Board") of Anderson Township, Hamilton County, State of Ohio, as follows:

SECTION 1. That this Board hereby approves the form of Second Amendment to Lease Agreement, by and between this Board and the Chamber, as presented to this Board (the "Second Amendment") and authorizes the Township Administrator to execute and deliver the Second Amendment with such changes thereto as the Township Administrator, after consultation with the Law Director, determines are not materially adverse to the Township, such determination being evidenced by her execution of the Second Amendment. That the Second Amendment shall be effective no later than January 1, 2025.

SECTION 2. That the preambles hereto are and shall for all purposes be construed to be integral and operative parts of this Resolution.

SECTION 3. That this Board hereby finds and determines that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were taken in open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal actions were taken in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including (without implied limitation) Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22, except as otherwise permitted hereby.

There was no further discussion.

#### **Decisions Arising From Executive Session**

Ms. Earhart presented the 2025 compensation adjustments and recommended the board approve the following motion.

#### **MOTION NO. 24 – 1219 – 18**

Mrs. Lausten moved to adopt the compensation adjustments for 2025 as outlined by The Assistant Administrator for Human Resources. Mr. Gerth seconded.

Mr. Johnson called the roll: Mrs. Lausten, yes; Mr. Gerth, yes; Mrs. Stone, yes.

#### **Board of Township Trustees 2025 Organizational Meeting**

#### **MOTION NO. 24 - 1219 - 19**

Mrs. Stone moved Mr. Johnson serve as temporary chair. Mrs. Lausten seconded.

Mr. Johnson called the roll: Mrs. Lausten, yes; Mr. Gerth, yes; Mrs. Stone, yes.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 24 – 1219 – 20**

Mr. Gerth moved that Trustee Lausten be appointed Chair of the Board of Township Trustees for the fiscal year 2025. Mrs. Stone seconded the motion.

Mr. Johnson called the roll: Mr. Gerth, yes; Mrs. Lausten, yes; Mrs. Stone, yes.

There was no further discussion.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 24 – 1219 – 21**

Mrs. Stone moved that Trustee Gerth be appointed Vice Chair of the Board of Township Trustees for fiscal year 2025. Mrs. Lausten seconded the motion.

Mr. Johnson called the roll: Mr. Gerth, yes; Mrs. Lausten, yes; Mrs. Stone, yes.

Mr. Johnson returned the Chair to the Officiating Trustee.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 24 – 1219 – 22**

Mrs. Lausten moved that the regular meetings of this Board in January-December 2025 be held on third Thursday of each month at 5 pm beginning with Executive Session, with the public portion of the meetings commencing at 5:30 pm and that regular interim workshop meetings of this Board be held on the first Thursday of each month at 2pm both unless notice indicating otherwise is duly given. Be it further resolved that the practice and procedure of adopting the agenda (including the rules pertaining to the public forum) at each regular meeting of this Board shall continue to be the practice and procedure at meetings in 2025. Mr. Gerth seconded the motion.

Mr. Johnson called the roll: Mr. Gerth, yes; Mrs. Lausten, yes; Mrs. Stone, yes.

There was no further discussion.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 24 – 1219 – 23**

Mr. Gerth moved to appoint Betty Cowan, Molly Mohrfield, Lisa Farrar and Katie Arnold as the designees who shall attend the Sunshine Law Certification training provided by the Office of the Ohio Attorney General, and as required by section 149.43 (E) (1) of the Revised Code, on behalf of Trustees R. Dee Stone, Lexi Lausten, Joshua S. Gerth, and Fiscal Officer Brian M. Johnson. Respectively. Mrs. Lausten seconded the motion

Mr. Johnson called the roll: Mr. Gerth, yes; Mrs. Lausten, yes; Mrs. Stone, yes.

There was no further discussion.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 24 – 1219 – 24**

Mrs. Lausten moved to adopt the Temporary Appropriations for fiscal year 2025 as presented by Mr. Johnson, as follows. Mr. Gerth seconded the motion.

Mr. Johnson called the roll: Mr. Gerth, yes; Mrs. Lausten, yes; Mrs. Stone, yes.

#### **TEMPORARY 2025 APPROPRIATIONS**

General Fund	\$5,000,000
Motor Vehicle License Tax Fund	46,000
Gasoline Tax Fund	585,000
Road and Bridge Fund	1,068,760
Lighting Districts Fund	170,000
Police Fund	5,380,000
Fire Department Fund	
Planning & Zoning Fund	965,000
Public Improvement Tax Increment Equivalent Fund (1994)	32,306,057
General Bond Retirement Fund	
Unclaimed Monies	1,000
Greenspace Levy Fund	55,000
Permissive Motor Vehicle License Fund	760,000
Permanent Improvement	0
TIF 2010 (ATP)	0
TIF Northern Anderson Area	0
TIF Ohio Riverfront Area	1,825,000
TIF Ohio Riverfront Area II	59,000
TIF Stonecrest/Anthology	382,000
TIF Stonegate	470,000
TIF Clough Pike West	
TIF Towne Center Way	
Fire Prevention & Safety Grant Fund	0
Port Security Grant Fund	
Assistance to Firefighters Grant Fund	
Ohio Ambulance Transportation Grant Fund	0
TOTAL TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS	
Other – Recycling (included in General Fund)	\$150,000

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 24 - 1219 - 25**

Mrs. Stone moved that (a) the Auditor and Treasurer of Hamilton County, in accordance with RC§ 321.34, be requested to draw and pay to Anderson Township during fiscal year 2024, upon the written request to the County Auditor by Brian M. Johnson, Fiscal Officer, funds due in any settlement of 2025 derived from taxes or other sources payable by law to the County Treasurer an held in the County treasury to the account of Anderson Township, and lawfully applicable for the purposes for fiscal year 2025, and (b) the Fiscal Officer is requested to under RC§ 321.342 to seek periodic advances of taxes to be drawn on the undivided estate tax fund, and (c) the Fiscal Officer shall forward to the County Auditor a certified copy of this resolution. Mrs. Lausten seconded the motion.

Mr. Johnson called the roll: Mr. Gerth, yes; Mrs. Lausten, yes; Mrs. Stone, yes. There was no further discussion.

Resolution and Order Employing Township Attorneys for Particular Matters for the Year 2025 Mrs. Lausten moved to adopt the following resolution. Mr. Gerth seconded the motion. Mr. Johnson called the roll: Mr. Gerth, yes; Mrs. Lausten, yes; Mrs. Stone, yes.

#### RESOLUTION AND ORDER NO. 24 – 1219 – 26

RESOLUTION AND ORDER EMPLOYING WILLIAM J. PATTERSON, STEVEN W. SWICK, JEFFREY S. SHOSKIN, JOANNE GLASS, BENJAMIN J. YODER, AND GARY E. POWELL, AS TOWNSHIP'S ATTORNEYS FOR PARTICULAR MATTERS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025.

WHEREAS, this Board of Township Trustees ("Board") is authorized by Section 309.09(B) of the Revised Code to employ an attorney other than the prosecuting attorney for particular matters to represent the Township and its officers in their official capacities and to advise them on legal matters; and

WHEREAS, Section 309.09(B) of the Revised Code provides that no such attorney may be employed except on the order of the Board, duly entered upon its Journal, in which the compensation to be paid for the attorney's legal services shall be fixed;

Now therefore, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED by the Board of Township Trustees of Anderson Township, Hamilton County, Ohio ("Township"), as follows:

SECTION 1. William J. Patterson, Esq. and Steven W. Swick, Esq, of the law firm of Stagnaro, Saba & Patterson Co. LPA, are hereby employed as the Township's attorneys for fiscal year 2025 to represent the Township and its officers in their official capacities by advising them, upon request, as to the particular matters set forth in Schedule A, attached hereto and incorporated herein. Mr. Patterson's compensation shall be at the rate of \$235.00 per hour effective January 1, 2025, and Mr. Swick's compensation shall be at the rate of \$225.00 per hour effective January 1, 2025.

SECTION 2. Jeffrey S. Shoskin, Esq. and Joanne Glass, Esq. of Frost Brown Todd LLC, are hereby employed as the Township's attorneys for the fiscal year 2025 to represent the

Township and its officers in their official capacities by advising them, upon request, as to the particular matters set forth in Schedule B, attached hereto and incorporated herein. Said attorneys' compensation shall be at the blended rate of \$360 per hour effective January 1, 2025.

SECTION 3. Gary E. Powell, Esq., is hereby employed as the Township's attorney for fiscal year 2025 to represent the Township and its officers in their official capacities by advising them, upon request, as to the particular matters set forth in Schedule C, attached hereto and incorporated herein. Said attorney's compensation shall be at the rate of \$235 per hour effective January 1, 2025.

SECTION 4. Benjamin J. Yoder, Esq., of Bricker Graydon LLP is hereby employed as the Township's attorney for fiscal year 2025 to represent the Township and its officers in their official capacities by advising them, upon request, as to the particular matters set forth in Schedule C, attached hereto and incorporated herein. Said attorney's compensation shall be at the rate of \$325 per hour, effective January 1, 2025. Should Mr. Yoder utilize another attorney within the firm of Bricker Graydon LLP, the rate for that attorney shall be the lesser of that attorney's standard rate and a blended rate for all attorneys of \$325/hour.

SECTION 5. Each attorney employed hereby shall be reimbursed for out-of-pocket expenses reasonably incurred in connection with the representation and provision of legal services described in this Resolution and Order.

SECTION 6. Each attorney employed hereby may be discharged at any time by majority vote of the Board and may resign his employment upon thirty (30) days' written notice to this Board; in the event of such resignation, the attorney shall make arrangements satisfactory to the Township Administrator for transfer of files related to his or her work for the Board (at the expense of the Board) to the Township Administrator and/or to the Township's Law Director, as the Township Administrator shall specify.

SECTION 7. The Law Director shall notify the attorneys employed hereby of the passage of this Resolution and Order.

SECTION 8. The preambles hereto are and shall for all purposes be construed to be integral and operative parts of this Resolution and Order.

SECTION 9. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution and Order were taken in an open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal actions were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements including, without implied limitation, Section 121.22 of the Revised Code, except as otherwise permitted thereby.

#### SCHEDULE A

Real estate title reports, real estate closings and other real estate matters

#### **SCHEDULE B**

Worker's Compensation and related matters

#### SCHEDULE C

- (1) Zoning matters including zoning violations and other matters pertaining to the Zoning Commission and Board of Zoning Appeals, and related committees
- (2) Litigation, unless and to the extent that the Prosecuting Attorney or other counsel employed by the Board, or by an insurer, represents the Board, the Township, and/or Township officers
- (3) Assist staff with the issuance of property maintenance code violations and citations, as well as represent the Township on appeals or legal proceedings relating to the Code's administration
- (4) Other matters as may from time to time be requested by the Board, the Township Administrator, or by the Township's Law Director

There was no further discussion.

LHR Resolution Appointing Margaret W. Comey and Troutman Pepper Locke Lord LLP As Law Director for a Term Ending December 31, 2025, and Declaring an Emergency

Mr. Gerth moved to adopt the below resolution. Mrs. Lausten seconded the motion.

Mr. Johnson called the roll: Mrs. Lausten, yes; Mr. Gerth, yes; Mrs. Stone, yes.

Post 12/20/2024 For fifteen days

## BOARD OF TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES ANDERSON TOWNSHIP HAMILTON COUNTY, OHIO

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 24 – 1219 – 27**

#### LIMITED HOME RULE RESOLUTION

#### APPOINTING MARGARET W. COMEY AND TROUTMAN PEPPER Locke llp AS LAW DIRECTOR FOR A TERM ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2025, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, by virtue of adoption of Resolution No. 03-0918-18, effective October 19, 2003, this Board of Township Trustees adopted a home rule form of government for Anderson Township, County of Hamilton, Ohio ("Township"); and

WHEREAS, under Chapter 504 of the Revised Code, limited home rule townships are required to appoint a Law Director; and

WHEREAS, Margaret W. Comey, Esq., is qualified by education, expertise and reputation to act as Anderson Township's Law Director, and has represented to this Board that she and the law firm of Troutman Pepper Locke LLP are content to be contractually bound by the terms of this resolution to provide Law Director services to the Township; and

WHEREAS, Margaret W. Comey has served the Township as Interim Law Director and, since March 31, 2008, as Law Director;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Township Trustees of Anderson Township, Hamilton County, Ohio ("Board"), as follows:

SECTION 1. This resolution is passed in the exercise of this Board's limited home rule powers under Chapter 504 of the Revised Code.

SECTION 2. Margaret W. Comey, Esq., of Hamilton County, Ohio, and Senior Counsel at the law firm of Locke Lord LLP, which law firm will be known as Troutman Pepper Locke LLP as of January 1, 2025 ("TPL"), is hereby appointed as the part-time Law Director of Anderson Township ("Law Director"), together with TPL, for a term ending on December 31, 2025, and otherwise upon the terms and conditions set forth in Schedule A hereto, which Schedule A is by this reference incorporated herein. The Township Administrator is hereby authorized to execute, if required by TPL, an engagement letter with TPL that reflects the terms of Schedule A.

SECTION 3. Upon majority vote, the Board hereby dispenses with the requirement that this resolution be read on two separate days, pursuant to Section 504.10 of the Revised Code, and authorizes the passage of this resolution upon its first reading.

SECTION 4. If passed by a unanimous vote, pursuant to Section 504.11(B) of the Revised Code, this resolution shall take effect immediately, and shall be posted for fifteen days in five of the most public places in the Township, as previously determined by this Board, which posting is hereby ordered.

SECTION 5. The preambles hereto are and shall for all purposes be construed to be integral and operative parts of this resolution.

SECTION 6. This Board hereby finds and determines that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the passage of this resolution were taken in open meetings of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal actions were taken in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including (without implied limitation) Section 121.22 of the Revised Code, except as otherwise permitted thereby.

SECTION 7. This resolution is declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and welfare of the Township, and for the further reason that this Board wishes to continue to retain her services and those of LL to provide Law Director services to the Township pursuant to appointment under Chapter 504 of the Revised Code, particularly Section 504.15 thereof, for the calendar the year 2024.

#### **SCHEDULE A**

## TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF APPOINTMENT OF MARGARET W. COMEY, ESQ., AND TPL TO PROVIDE LAW DIRECTOR SERVICES FOR ANDERSON TOWNSHIP, HAMILTON COUNTY, OHIO

- 1. The Law Director shall faithfully perform her/its duties under Section 504.15 of the Revised Code, and as otherwise permitted or required under the Revised Code, the rules of the Supreme Court of Ohio, and applicable common law.
- 2. The Law Director may be discharged at any time, without notice or hearing, and for any reason or no reason, by a majority of the Board.
- 3. The Law Director shall be compensated at the rate of \$320 per hour worked on behalf of the Township in conjunction with requests from the Board of Township Trustees or its authorized staff and/or in fulfillment of her appointment, effective January 1, 2025. The Law Director's fees shall be billed by the law firm of TPL, which firm shall be reimbursed for out of pocket expenses and office charges, including reimbursement for xerographic and laser printed copies and facsimile transmissions, at the firm's prevailing rates, and for such other or extraordinary expenses as may be approved by the Township Administrator, in accordance with Anderson Township's applicable rules. The Law Director shall be entitled to bill Anderson Township for paralegal and/or research assistant services, at rates of less than \$320 per hour, if she deems such services more cost-effective for the Board than performance of the duties described in paragraph 1 hereof.

The roll being called by the Fiscal Officer upon the question of passage of the resolution, the vote resulted as follows:

Mrs. Stone yes Mrs. Lausten yes	Mr. Gerth yes
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Passed at the regular meeting of the Board of Township Trustees this 19th day of December, 2024.

#### FISCAL OFFICER CERTIFICATIONS

The undersigned, duly appointed and acting Fiscal Officer of Anderson Township, Hamilton County, Ohio, hereby certifies that the foregoing is a true copy of a Limited Home Rule Resolution duly passed at a regular meeting of the Board of Township Trustees of said Township on the 19th day of December, 2024, together with a true record of the roll call vote thereon, and that said Resolution has been duly entered upon the Journal of said Township.

The undersigned, hereby further certifies that the moneys required to meet the obligations of the Township during the fiscal year 2024 under the attached contract or order (or, if this is a continuing contract, to be performed in whole or in part in an ensuing fiscal year, the amount required to meet the obligation in the fiscal year in which the contract is made) have been lawfully appropriated by the Board of Township Trustees of the Township for such purpose and are in the treasury or in the process of collection to the credit of an appropriate fund, free from any previous encumbrances. This certificate is given in compliance with Sections 5705.41 and 5705.44, Ohio Revised Code.

Dated: December 19, 2024

Brian M. Johnson, Fiscal Officer

#### CERTIFICATE OF POSTING

I, Brian M. Johnson, Fiscal Officer of Anderson Township, Hamilton County, Ohio, do hereby certify that in accordance with Section 731.25 of the Revised Code, the attached Resolution was posted in accordance with its terms, beginning on December 20, 2024.

This 5th day of January, 2025.

Brian M. Johnson, Fiscal Officer

#### Motion to Adjourn

Mrs. Stone moved to adjourn the meeting. Mrs. Lausten seconded the motion.

Mr. Johnson called the roll: Mrs. Lausten, yes; Mr. Gerth, yes; Mrs. Stone, yes.

R. Dee Stone, Chair

Brian M. Johnson, Fiscal Officer

#### **CERTIFICATION**

The undersigned duly elected and acting Fiscal Officer of Anderson Township, Hamilton County, Ohio, hereby certifies that the foregoing is a true excerpt from the minutes of a regular meeting, including the roll call votes thereat, of the Board of Township Trustees of said Township held on the 17th day of April 2025, and that said minutes have been duly entered upon the Journal of said Township.

This day 17th day of April, 2025.

Brian M. Johnson, Fiscal Officer