

RESOLUTION NO. R-22-13

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF AVON TO WITHDRAW FROM PARTICIPATION IN THE AGREEMENT REGARDING OFFICER AND EMPLOYEE HEALTH CARE BENEFITS PROGRAM OF THE COUNTY OF LORAIN, OHIO AND CONTRACTING POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the City is a party to the Agreement Regarding Officer and Employee Health Care Benefits Program of the County of Lorain, Ohio and Contracting Political Subdivisions (hereinafter referred to as the “Agreement”); and

WHEREAS, the City participates in the Officer and Employee Health Care Benefits Program (hereinafter referred to as the “Program”) established by the Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Administration recommends voluntarily withdrawing from participation in the Agreement and the Program with the intent of requesting proposals for fully insured health insurance coverage in an effort to control increasing costs, manage claims and to achieve other significant benefits; and

WHEREAS, the Agreement requires Council to approve the City’s withdrawal from participation in the Agreement and the Program; and

WHEREAS, Council, having considered the recommendation of the Administration and after reviewing all relevant portions of the Agreement to determine the consequences of said withdrawal, deems it in the best interests of the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Avon and its employees to authorize the City to withdraw from participation in the Agreement and the Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AVON, LORAIN COUNTY, STATE OF OHIO THAT:

Section 1 - That the Mayor is hereby authorized to provide notice to the Lorain County Administrator of the City’s withdrawal from participation in the Agreement and the Program pursuant to the terms of the Agreement authorizing withdrawal from the Program, to be effective 12:00 a.m., January 1, 2014, the current coverage for health care benefits under the Program to remain in full force and effect through December 31, 2013.

Section 2 - That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage 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 actions were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 3 - That this Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the City of

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Avon, the immediate emergency being the necessity to give six (6) months' notice of withdrawal from the Agreement and the Program, i.e., June 30, 2013; therefore, this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

PASSED: _____

DATE SIGNED: _____

By: _____
Daniel S. Zegarac, Council President

DATE APPROVED BY THE MAYOR: _____

James A. Smith, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

John A. Gasior, Law Director

ATTEST:

Ellen R. Young
Clerk of Council

POSTED: _____

In Five Places as
Provided by Council

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