

ORDINANCE NO. 57-20

**AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION OF THEN AND NOW
CERTIFICATES BY THE FINANCE DIRECTOR AND THE PAYMENT OF
AMOUNTS DUE FOR VARIOUS PURCHASE ORDERS
AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.41(D)(1), the City may not enter into any contract or give any order involving the expenditure of money unless there is attached thereto a certificate of the City's Finance Director that the amount required to meet the obligation has been lawfully appropriated for such purpose and is in the treasury or in the process of collection to the credit of an appropriate fund free from any previous encumbrances; and

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.41(D)(1) further provides that in such circumstances when no certificate is furnished as required and the expenditure is for \$3,000.00 or more, the City's Council, as the City's taxing authority, may authorize the drawing of a warrant in payment of amounts due upon such contract or order upon certification by the Finance Director that there was at the time of the execution of such certificate a sufficient sum appropriated for the purpose of such contract in the treasury or in the process of collection to the credit of an appropriate fund free from any previous encumbrances; and

WHEREAS, such certificate of the Finance Director is known as a "Then and Now Certificate", meaning that the funds were available when the contract was made and when the amount due under the contract was/is paid; and

WHEREAS, the City is issuing Then and Now Certificates in connection with payments due and owing, as shown on Exhibit A attached; and

WHEREAS, City Council deems it to be in the best interest of the health, safety and welfare of the City to approve the execution by the Finance Director of Then and Now Certificates and to authorize the payment of amounts due under the contracts or orders, requiring the expenditure of \$3,000.00 or more.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
AVON, LORAIN COUNTY, OHIO:**

Section 1 – That the Council of the City of Avon, pursuant to Section 5705.41(D)(1) of the Ohio Revised Code, hereby approves the execution of Then and Now Certificates by the Finance Director and authorizes payments due and owing, in accordance with the schedule attached as Exhibit A and incorporated herein.

Section 2 – That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this Ordinance 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 ordinance 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 Avon, the immediate emergency being the necessity to approve execution of Then and Now Certificates by the Finance Director within the current operation of the City in order to meet the requirements of State law; therefore, this Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

PASSED: _____

DATE SIGNED: _____

By:

Brian Fischer, Council President

DATE APPROVED BY THE MAYOR: _____

Bryan K. Jensen, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

John A. Gasior, Law Director
City of Avon, Ohio

ATTEST:

Barbara J. Brooks
Clerk of Council

POSTED: _____
In Five Places as
Provided by Council

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