

RESOLUTION NO. R-35-22

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, ON BEHALF OF
THE CITY OF AVON, TO PARTICIPATE IN A COOPERATIVE
PURCHASING PROGRAM WITH EQUALIS GROUP
AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code Section 9.48(B)(2) permits political subdivisions of the State of Ohio to participate in joint purchasing programs operated by or through a national or state association of political subdivisions; and

WHEREAS, the City of Avon is eligible for membership in the Equalis Group, a national purchasing association made up of various political subdivisions throughout the United States with local offices in Solon, Ohio; and

WHEREAS, the range of products that are available to the City through the Equalis Cooperative will provide taxpayer savings; and

WHEREAS, Council, having reviewed the Administration's proposal to become a member of Equalis Group, finds same to be reasonable request which will greatly benefit the community and further promote the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Avon.

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

Section 1 – That the Mayor and the Administration, pursuant to ORC Section 9.48(B)(2), is hereby granted authority to enter into a membership with and to participate in the joint purchasing program sponsored by Equalis Group for the purchase of various goods, products and services required, from time to time, for the efficient and cost-effective operation of various City departments. The Master Governmental Cooperative Purchasing Agreement is attached hereto as [Exhibit A](#) and incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 2 - That the Finance Director is hereby authorized to directly pay Equalis Group suppliers pursuant to contracts with said suppliers for items purchased through the Equalis Group cooperative purchasing program.

Section 3 - That it is found and determined that all formal actions of the Council of the City of Avon concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of the Council of the City of Avon and that all deliberations of this City's Council and any of its committees that resulted in those 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 4 - That this Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure immediately necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the City of Avon, the immediate emergency being the necessity to authorize the Mayor or Finance Director to participate in the joint purchasing program sponsored by Equalis Group for

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the purchase of various goods, products and services at reduced cost for use in various city departments; therefore, this Resolution shall be in full force and 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 Brooks
Clerk of Council

Posted: _____
Electronically and at City Hall
As Provided by Council

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