WHEREAS, the County Executive/Division of Community Initiatives/Office of Early Childhood has submitted a request to contract with Starting Point in the amount not-to-exceed $2,038,762.00 for administration of the Family Child Care Home Regional System for the Invest in Children Program for the period 1/1/2012 - 12/31/2012; and,

WHEREAS, the Family Child Care Home Regional System, known as Care for Kids, increases the quality of care available through family child care homes by providing resources, such as technical assistance and training; and,

WHEREAS, under the requested contract, Starting Point shall implement and maintain a Family Child Care Home Regional System to increase the quality of care provided in family child care homes and to increase access to that care by families; and,

WHEREAS, Starting Point is the child care resource and referral agency for Cuyahoga County, and the designated System Coordinator for Invest in Children Program; and,

WHEREAS, Starting Point contracts with three (3) Regional Managers to implement the activities of the Family Child Care Home Regional System; and,

WHEREAS, there will be six (6) components to the agreement and they are as follows: program coordination, regional coordination, communication, regional system, quality improvement, and capacity of the Family Child Care Home Regional System; and,

WHEREAS, Starting Point has been designated by the State of Ohio as Cuyahoga County’s child care resource and referral agency and is RFP exempt; and,
WHEREAS, the project is funded 100% by the Health and Human Services Levy; and,

WHEREAS, it is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective because the project’s term has already begun. The reason for the delay in this request is due to the need to negotiate the scope of services and related budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CUYAHOGA COUNTY, OHIO:

SECTION 1. The Cuyahoga County Council hereby authorizes a contract with Starting Point in the amount not-to-exceed $2,038,762.00 for administration of the Family Child Care Home Regional System for the Invest in Children Program for the period 1/1/2012 – 12/31/2012.

SECTION 2. The County Executive is authorized to execute the contract and all documents consistent with this Resolution.

SECTION 3. It is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective because the project’s term began January 1, 2012. Provided that this Resolution receives the affirmative vote of eight members of Council, this Resolution shall become immediately effective upon the signature of the County Executive.

SECTION 4. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of the Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

On a motion by Mr. Brady, seconded by Mr. Gallagher, the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted.

Yeas: Simon, Miller, Brady, Germana, Gallagher, Schron, Conwell, Jones, Rogers and Connally

Nays: None

[Signature]
County Council President

Date

[Signature]
County Executive

Date
First Reading/Referred to Committee: March 27, 2012
Committee(s) Assigned: Health, Human Services & Aging

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