

# County Council of Cuyahoga County, Ohio

## Resolution No. R2017-0110

Sponsored by: **County Executive  
Budish/Fiscal Officer/County  
Treasurer**

**A Resolution** authorizing an amendment to Contract No. CE1600999-01 with Douglass & Associates Co., LPA for legal advice and representation to the County with respect to collection services for the period 7/28/2016 - 7/27/2018 for additional funds in the amount not-to-exceed \$2,220,000.00; authorizing the County Executive to execute the amendment and all other documents consistent with this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

WHEREAS, the County Executive/Fiscal Officer/Treasurer has recommended an amendment to Contract No. CE1600999-01 with Douglass & Associates Co., LPA for legal advice and representation to the County with respect to collection services for the period 7/28/2016 - 7/27/2018 for additional funds in the amount not-to-exceed \$2,220,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the County released a Request for Qualifications (RQ36879) for Collection Special Counsel dated 5/5/2016; and

WHEREAS, on 12/5/2016 the Cuyahoga County Board of Control awarded a contract to Douglass & Associates Co., LPA in an amount not-to-exceed \$480,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the primary goal of this project is to provide legal advice and representation to the County with respect to collection of various County accounts and the County now desires to amend that contract for additional funds in the amount of \$2,220,000.00 for a total amount not-to-exceed of \$2,700,000.00; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective in order that critical services provided by Cuyahoga County can continue and to provide for the usual, daily operation of a County entity.

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

**SECTION 1.** That the Cuyahoga County Council hereby authorizes an amendment to Contract No. CE1600999-01 with Douglass & Associates Co., LPA for

legal advice and representation to the County with respect to collection services for the period 7/28/2016 - 7/27/2018 for additional funds in the amount not-to-exceed \$2,220,000.00.

**SECTION 2.** That the County Executive is authorized to execute the amendment and all other documents consistent with this Resolution.

**SECTION 3.** It is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective for the usual daily operation of the County; the preservation of public peace, health, or safety in the County; and any additional reasons set forth in the preamble. Provided that this Resolution receives the affirmative vote of at least eight members of Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon the earliest occurrence of any of the following: (1) its approval by the County Executive through signature, (2) the expiration of the time during which it may be disapproved by the County Executive under Section 3.10(6) of the Cuyahoga County Charter, or (3) its passage by at least eight members of Council after disapproval pursuant to Section 3.10(7) of the Cuyahoga County Charter. Otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

**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. Miller, seconded by Ms. Conwell, the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted.

Yeas: Baker, Miller, Tuma, Gallagher, Schron, Conwell, Jones, Brown, Hairston, Simon and Brady

Nays: None

  
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County Council President

7-12-17  
Date

  
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County Executive

7-12-17  
Date

  
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Clerk of Council

7/11/2017  
Date

First Reading/Referred to Committee: June 13, 2017  
Committee(s) Assigned: Finance & Budgeting

Legislation Tabled on the Floor: June 27, 2017

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