

CITY OF BEDFORD, OHIO

RESOLUTION NO. 2593-22

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE REGIONAL INCOME TAX AGENCY (RITA) TO PARTICIPATE IN THE REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADMINISTRATION AND COLLECTION OF MUNICIPAL INCOME TAX IN THE CITY OF BEDFORD, OHIO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, a Regional Council of Governments was created pursuant to ORC Chapter 167 to foster cooperation between Ohio's municipalities; and

WHEREAS, the creation of the Regional Council of Governments was primarily to establish a central collection facility (the Regional Income Tax Agency) for the purpose of administering the income tax laws of the various participating member municipalities; and

WHEREAS, this Council finds it to be in the best interests of the health, safety and welfare of the City of Bedford to join the Regional Council of Governments, for the purpose of having the Regional Income Tax Agency administer the City of Bedford Income Tax Code,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BEDFORD, STATE OF OHIO, THAT:

SECTION 1. This Resolution is an emergency for the reason that to assure the smooth transition to RITA in a timely manner, and the continued and necessary daily operations of the City's Income Tax Division, the proposed Agreement with RITA needs to be approved immediately.

SECTION 2. The City Manager is hereby authorized to execute, on behalf of the City of Bedford, the agreement with the Regional Council of Governments for the administration and collection of the City's income tax through the Regional Income Tax Agency upon such terms and conditions as are approved by the Administration.

SECTION 3. The Finance Director is hereby appointed as the City's representative to the Regional Council of Governments and any Assistant Finance Director is hereby designated as an alternate, as required pursuant to Section III of the Agreement.

SECTION 4. The City Council finds and determines that all formal action of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution was taken in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and of any committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public and in compliance with the law.

SECTION 5. That this Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety in the City of Bedford, Ohio; for the reasons stated above; wherefore this Resolution shall take effect and be in force upon receiving the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of all members elected to Council, otherwise from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

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1st Rdg.: 11/21/22

2nd Rdg.: 12/5/22

Stanley C. Koci, Mayor-President of Council

Tracy M. Simons, Clerk of Council

Prepared and approved as to legal content by: _____
John J. Montello, Law Director

PASSED: December 12, 2022