

CITY OF BEDFORD, OHIO

ORDINANCE NO. 087-25

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING A CYBERSECURITY PROGRAM IN ACCORDANCE WITH OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 9.64 (C) FOR THE CITY OF BEDFORD AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, in accordance with 9.64 Ohio Revised Code (ORC), enacted by Ohio House Bill (HB) 96, the City of Bedford is required to adopt a cyber program that safeguards the city's data, information technology, and resources to ensure availability, confidentiality, and integrity, and

WHEREAS, the program shall be consistent with generally accepted best practices for cybersecurity, such as the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) cybersecurity framework, and the Center for Internet Security (CIS) cybersecurity best practices, and

WHEREAS, The city Administration has developed a cybersecurity program which identifies and mitigates risks, assesses potential impacts, detects and responds to threats, restores affected systems, and maintains ongoing protection of City assets and data.

WHEREAS, any records, documents, or reports related to the cybersecurity program and framework, the reports of a cybersecurity incident, or ransomware incident are confidential and not public records.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Bedford, County of Cuyahoga, and the State of Ohio:

Section 1. The City hereby adopts a cybersecurity program consistent with the requirements of Ohio Revised Code Section 9.64(C).

Section 2. The Finance Director, or designee, is authorized to implement, maintain, and update the cybersecurity program to ensure compliance with state law and generally accepted cybersecurity best practices.

Section 3. That the actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this legislation 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 action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 4. This Resolution is declared to be an emergency measure immediately necessary for the public peace, health, safety, and welfare of the City of Bedford, Ohio, and it is immediately necessary to remain compliant with ORC and to proactively protect the city.

WHEREFORE, this Resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest date permitted by law.

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