

RESOLUTION NO. 14-71

OFFERED BY: MAYOR CURRIN

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES WITH HOUSEAL LAVIGNE ASSOCIATES, LLC TO CONDUCT AN UPDATE TO THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN WHICH WILL INCLUDE A PLAN FOR DOWNTOWN PHASE II; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the City planning for what is known as Phase II of the Downtown redevelopment has continued to accelerate over the last few years and such planning coincides with the City's Charter requirement that an update to the Comprehensive Plan is to be initiated in 2014; and

WHEREAS, contemplating these plans, Council has budgeted for a consultant to be engaged to conduct these planning studies and the update and the City staff issued a request for qualifications and proposal to perform the work to which six (6) firms submitted proposals; and

WHEREAS, after a thorough review of the proposals, conducting interviews with proposing firms, and contacting references for the firms, the City staff is recommending the retention of Houseal Lavigne Associates, LLC to conduct the planning studies and update, which recommendation has also been endorsed by the Downtown Phase II Ad Hoc Committee; and

WHEREAS, the proposed fee of Houseal Lavigne Associates, LLC and the time frame for completion of one (1) year is within the parameters specified in the request for proposals.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Hudson, Summit County, State of Ohio, that:

Section 1: The City Manager is authorized and directed to enter into a contract with Houseal Lavigne Associates, LLC for professional services to conduct an update to the Comprehensive Plan to include a plan for Phase II of the Downtown redevelopment in an amount not to exceed \$99,880.

Section 2: This Resolution is declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the City, and for the further reason that the planning studies, plans, and updates will take approximately one year to complete and the process must start immediately in order to begin development of Phase II of Downtown at the earliest time for the economic benefit and general welfare of the City; wherefore, this Resolution shall be in effect immediately upon its passage provided it receives the affirmative vote of five members of Council, except that six affirmative votes shall be

required if all members are present; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED: _____

William A. Currin, Mayor

ATTEST:

Elizabeth Slagle, Clerk of Council

I certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly passed by the Council of said Municipality on _____, 2014.

Elizabeth Slagle, Clerk of Council