

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH HURRICANE LABS FOR A VULNERABILITY ASSESSMENT AND NETWORK SECURITY ARCHITECTURE REVIEW FOR THE WATER AND ELECTRIC UTILITIES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$46,150; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, City staff recommends an assessment of the City's current network and security architecture of the City's water and electric utilities, which review would also identify vulnerabilities and potential threats, and provide actionable recommendations to improve security and operational efficiencies; and

WHEREAS, the City issued a Request for Proposals (RFP), received submissions from four professional firms, and conducted a comprehensive evaluation; and

WHEREAS, the City review team narrowed the responses to two finalists, who were each interviewed, allowing City staff to provide additional project details and giving the firms an opportunity to ask clarifying questions to refine their proposals; and

WHEREAS, ultimately, Hurricane Labs emerged as the top candidate, offering the best proposal that included relevant project examples and demonstrated significantly greater expertise and experience in the SCADA/OT domain compared to the other respondents; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the City of Hudson and its residents to assess critical infrastructure and its weaknesses so that corrective action can be taken as soon as possible, effectively promoting the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety in the city.

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

Section 1. The City Manager and/or his designee are hereby authorized to enter into a professional services contract with Hurricane Labs for the Vulnerability Assessment and Network Security Architecture Review for the Water and Electric Utilities, in an amount not to exceed \$46,150, in accordance with the terms and conditions deemed necessary and appropriate by the City Manager and in compliance with applicable laws and regulations. .

Section 2. The City Manager and/or his designee are further authorized to take all necessary actions, including the execution of any required documents, upon approval by the City Solicitor, to implement the intent of this Resolution.

Section 3. That the aforesaid recitals are rendered to be the findings of this Council and are hereby incorporated into this Resolution.

Section 4. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and 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 5. That this Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the timely submission of the necessary paperwork in order to utilize funds budgeted in 2025 for this project and to otherwise complete this assessment as soon as possible, promoting the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare of the community, and shall, therefore, be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage, provided it receives an affirmative vote of at least six (6) members of the Council for its enactment if seven (7) are present, or an affirmative vote of at least five (5) members if only five (5) or six (6) members are present at the meeting at which it is passed; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED: _____

Jeffrey L. Anzevino, Mayor

ATTEST:

Aparna Wheeler, Clerk of Council

I certify that the foregoing Resolution 25-186 was duly passed by the Council of said Municipality on _____, 2025.

Aparna Wheeler, Clerk of Council