

TEMPORARY RESOLUTION NO. 70-23

PERMANENT RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SERVICE-SAFETY DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL DESIGN SERVICES, CONSTRUCTION BID PREPARATION, AND CONSTRUCTION INSPECTION SERVICES FOR THE LANCASTER POLICE DEPARTMENT'S HVAC REPLACEMENT PROJECT AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the air conditioning system in the Lancaster Police Department (LPD) quit functioning in the Summer of 2022, subjecting employees and the public to indoor temperatures close to 100 degrees Fahrenheit at times; and

WHEREAS, a temporary cooling system has been in place since then, while the City explores the most efficient solution due to on-going supply chain shortages, material price volatility, and the lack of qualified professionals available to perform the necessary work; and

WHEREAS, the City advertised a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) to obtain a design professional to draft the technical mechanical and structural specifications for LPD's HVAC Replacement Project, however no Statements of Qualifications were received; and

WHEREAS, due to the aforementioned issues, the City needs to publicly bid construction of LPD's HVAC Replacement project as soon as possible, and thus needs to enter into a contract with a design firm to draft the technical mechanical and structural specifications, as well as assist with construction bid documents, and provide inspections during installation;

WHEREAS, in anticipation of this expenditure, LPD included One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000.00) in its contractual services line item during the 2023 budget process for these services; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANCASTER, STATE OF OHIO,

SECTION 1. That the Service-Safety Director is hereby authorized to enter into a contract for professional design services, construction bid preparation, and installation inspections for the LPD HVAC Replacement Project in an amount not to exceed One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000.00).

SECTION 2. This resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure, necessary for the preservation of public peace, health, welfare, and safety. The reason for the emergency is that a functional HVAC system is essential for the health and safety of LPD's employees and the public, as well as to ensure the integrity of evidence and equipment stored in the building; wherefore, this resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

Passed: _____ after _____ reading. Vote: Yeas _____ Nays _____

Date Approved: _____

President of Council

Clerk: _____

Mayor

Offered by: _____

Second by: _____

Requested by Safety Committee