

ORDINANCE NO. 2010-13

AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2009-5 REGARDING
ACCOUNTING REVIEW AND AUDIT SERVICES FOR THE 2008
THROUGH 2010 AUDIT YEARS; AND DECLARING AN
EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, Section 9.12 of Article IX of the Charter of the City of Blue Ash, Ohio, provides the method under which the City Manager shall make certain purchases and enter into contracts on behalf of the City; and

WHEREAS, in January 2009, City Council approved Ordinance No. 2009-5 which formally accepted the State of Ohio Auditor's selection of an audit firm (Clark, Schaefer, Hackett & Co.), after following a formal bid procedure, and authorized a multi-year professional accounting and audit services contract for the 2008 through 2010 audit years for an amount not to exceed a total of \$65,000; and

WHEREAS, the need exists to amend that contract due to the fact that the City has received federal awards or grants in an amount greater than \$500,000, making the City subject to requirements of OMB Circular A-133 ("single audit") which was not contemplated with the original proposal submitted; and

WHEREAS, the Deputy Treasurer suggests that an additional amount of \$5,000 for that multi-year contract be authorized to cover these additional expenses associated with supplementary reporting requirements.

Be it ordained by the Council of the City of Blue Ash, Ohio, not less than five (5) members thereof concurring,

SECTION I.

The City Manager is hereby authorized to amend Ordinance No. 2009-5 for an additional amount not to exceed \$5,000, making the total authorized amount for the 2008 through 2010 audit years an amount not to exceed \$70,000. Any requirement to follow additional formal bidding procedures is hereby waived in light of the professional services nature of the contract and since a bid procedure did occur through the State of Ohio Auditor's Office.

SECTION II.

The Treasurer and Deputy Treasurer are hereby authorized to expend the necessary funds therefor, which funds are hereby appropriated.

SECTION III.

This ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare of the City of Blue Ash, Ohio; the reason for the emergency being the need to allow appropriate payment for the professional audit services as required by the Auditor of State and to accommodate the additional reporting requirements associated with receipt of the federal funds. Therefore, this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

PASSED this 11th day of March, 2010.

Mark F. Weber, Mayor

Jamie K. Eifert, Clerk of Council

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Mark A. Vander Laan, Solicitor