

ORDINANCE NO. 2010-24

AUTHORIZING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT AND RELATED PURCHASES FROM INTRUST GROUP (FORMERLY KNOWN AS LAN SOLUTIONS) FOR NETWORK AND SERVER PROGRAMMING SERVICES AND RELATED HARDWARE, SOFTWARE, AND LICENSING TO SERVICE ALL CITY DEPARTMENTS AND DIVISIONS; 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 addition to routine direct network computer related support and services, the need exists to upgrade the City's E-mail server in 2010; and

WHEREAS, the Technology Officer suggests that the City continue working with Blue Ash based InTrust Group, formerly known as LAN Solutions, to provide these necessary services and related items; and

WHEREAS, although no single project associated with this vendor is anticipated to exceed the ordinance threshold of \$25,000, because aggregate purchases throughout 2010 will likely exceed that amount, Council approval via ordinance would be appropriate; and

WHEREAS, the Technology Officer suggests that an amount not to exceed \$43,000 in 2010 be authorized with InTrust Group for direct computer network support and services and for software purchases and licensing, including purchasing and installation of a new E-mail server.

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 make payment to InTrust Group for an amount not to exceed \$43,000 in 2010 to provide professional computer related services and equipment to benefit all City divisions, including network and server programming services and related hardware, software, and licensing, including installation of a new E-mail server. Any requirements to follow formal bidding procedures, if any, are hereby waived in light of the professional services nature of this contract and the nature of the software and equipment required.

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 authorize appropriate budgeted computer-related purchases for use by multiple City departments and divisions. Therefore, this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

PASSED this 13th day of May, 2010.

Mark F. Weber, Mayor

Jamie K. Eifert, Clerk of Council

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Bryan Pacheco, Deputy Solicitor