

ORDINANCE NO. 2010-7

AUTHORIZING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES
CONTRACT IN 2010 TO ASSIST THE CITY WITH
EFFORTS RELATED TO A BUDGET PRIORITIZATION
PROCESS TO BE GUIDED BY LOCAL GOVERNMENT
ADVISORS ASSOCIATED WITH THE INTERNATIONAL
CITY/COUNTY MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION (ICMA);
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, it is recommended by the Administration that the City Manager be authorized to enter into a professional services contract with Johnson and Fabian Advisory Services for services associated with the City's desire to implement a budget prioritization process to assure the continued fiscal health, security, and financial well-being of the City.

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 enter into a professional services contract with Johnson and Fabian Advisory Services for professional consulting services associated with the City's efforts with a budget prioritization process to be led by local government advisors associated with ICMA for an amount not to exceed \$28,000, plus travel-related expenses (billed at cost) as approved by the City Manager. Examples of travel-related expenses include airfare, ground transportation, hotel accommodations, parking, and per diem meal expenses. Any requirement to follow formal bidding procedures is hereby waived in light of the professional services nature of the efforts to be expended on the City's behalf.

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 move forward with this effort to coincide associated training and information in time for the City's mid-year budget planning efforts. Therefore, this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

PASSED this 11th day of February, 2010.

Mark F. Weber, Mayor

Jamie K. Eifert, Clerk of Council

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Mark A. Vander Laan, Solicitor