

BEREA CITY COUNCIL

City of Berea, Ohio

ORDINANCE NO. 2023- __

By: _____

Sponsor: Mayor Cyril M. Kleem

AN ORDINANCE

**AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN AN EIGHTH AMENDMENT TO AN AGREEMENT
BETWEEN THE CITIES OF BEREA AND STRONGSVILLE, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING
PUBLIC SAFETY DISPATCH SERVICES TO THE CITY OF BEREA,
AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 2014-77, adopted on October 20, 2014, attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and incorporated herein as if fully rewritten, authorized entering into an agreement with the City of Strongsville to provide regional public safety dispatching services to the City of Berea; and

WHEREAS, said agreement provided for one-year extensions, subject to annual appropriations; and

WHEREAS, since the adoption of Ordinance No. 2014-77, Berea's neighboring communities, including Olmsted Township, Olmsted Falls, Middleburg Heights, Brook Park and North Royalton, have also contracted with the City of Strongsville to provide their public safety dispatch services; and

WHEREAS, the public is best served by a consolidated dispatching approach that includes interoperability with our neighboring communities; and

WHEREAS, it is now prudent to reauthorize the contract with the City of Strongsville in order to continue to receive public safety dispatch services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Berea, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1. That the Mayor is hereby authorized to enter into the eighth amendment to an agreement with the City of Strongsville, attached hereto as Exhibit "B" and incorporated herein as if fully rewritten, to provide public safety dispatch services to the City of Berea, with up to five one-year extensions, subject to annual appropriations by the Council of the City of Berea.

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SECTION 2. That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of 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 3. That this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, property, health, safety and welfare, or providing for the usual daily operation of a municipal department, and for the further reason that the agreement must take effect on January 1, 2024 in order to continue to receive public safety dispatching services. Therefore, provided this Ordinance receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all members elected to Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor; otherwise, from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED:

President of Council

ATTEST: _____

Clerk of Council

APPROVED:

Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Director of Law