

BEREA CITY COUNCIL

City of Berea, Ohio

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-__

By: _____ Sponsor: Mayor Cyril M. Kleem

AN ORDINANCE

AUTHORIZING THE CITY DIRECTORS TO PARTICIPATE IN VARIOUS COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAMS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the Home Rule powers of the Ohio Constitution grant power to the City of Berea to participate in joint purchasing programs; and

WHEREAS, in addition to purchasing programs operated through the Ohio Department of Administrative Services and the Ohio Department of Transportation, other non-profit cooperative purchasing programs including, but not limited to, Sourcewell (formerly known as the National Joint Powers Alliance), National Institute of Government Purchases, General Services Administration, National Purchasing Partners and Equalis Group, exist to assist local and state governments in reducing the costs of purchased goods and services through the purchasing power of public agencies nationwide through competitively solicited contracts; and

WHEREAS, Council desires to authorize the City Directors to participate in these programs for the purchases of goods and services on behalf of the City of Berea for 2026.

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

SECTION 1. That Council, pursuant to the Home Rule authority granted to it by the Ohio Constitution, hereby authorizes the Directors of the various departments of the City to participate in the Sourcewell, National Institute of Government Purchases, General Services Administration, National Purchasing Partners, Equalis Group and any other non-profit Governmental Cooperative Purchasing Programs for the year 2026.

SECTION 2. That 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 actions 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 attaining the best pricing is in the interests of the taxpayers of the City of Berea. Therefore, provided this Ordinance receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all members

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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:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Mayor

Date

Director of Law