

RESOLUTION 2024-04

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR AGREEMENT
WITH DEBORAH WORDELL FOR A FINANCIAL EFFICIENCY TEST AND
DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

WHEREAS, the Mayor has recommended that it is in the public interest to perform a Fiscal Efficiency Review for the Village of Hiram to determine the current level of effectiveness and productivity in the Village; and

WHEREAS, Deborah Wordell is currently serving as the finance director for the Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency (NOACA), has a Master's degree in Business Administration, has extensive experience as a municipal fiscal officer and is qualified to review municipal finances and operations to make recommendations for improvement; and

WHEREAS, Deborah Wordell will provide a Fiscal Efficiency Review to the Village at a rate of \$25.00 per hour, not to exceed \$3,000.00 as an independent contractor for the Village.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Village of Hiram, Portage County, Ohio, two thirds or more of the members thereto concurring that:

Section 1: The Council finds that a Fiscal Efficiency Test for the Village of Hiram is necessary to evaluate the current status of the Village of Hiram government operations.

Section 2: The Council approves the proposed services contract for a Fiscal Efficiency Test ~~attached hereto as Exhibit "A"~~ for services at a rate of \$25.00 per hour, not to exceed \$3,000.00.

Section 3: The Mayor and the Fiscal Officer are hereby authorized to enter an independent contractor agreement with Deborah Wordell.

Section 4: This Resolution is declared an emergency measure becoming effective immediately upon its passage by the Village Council and execution by the Mayor for the reason that the Village efficiency review will assist the Village in thoroughly reviewing and assessing its current operations and expenditures and make recommendations for effective improvements to achieve fiscal efficiency.

Section 5: It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council and that the deliberations of the Council and 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 Revised Code of the State of Ohio.

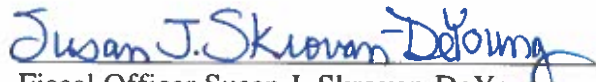
PASSED IN COUNCIL as an emergency: February 13, 2024.

APPROVED:



Mayor Anne Hayman

ATTEST:


Fiscal Officer Susan J. Skrovan-DeYoung

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Village Solicitor Jennifer Kangas Berendt

I SUSAN DEYOUNG, Fiscal Officer of the Village of Hiram, Ohio, hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution or Ordinance No. 2024-04 has been duly posted in the required 5 places.
2/14/2024 Susan J. Skrovan-DeYoung
Date Fiscal Officer, Village of Hiram