

RESOLUTION NO.: 112 -2007
INTRODUCED BY: Roche

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF RICHMOND HEIGHTS, OHIO TO BECOME A MEMBER OF THE NORTHEAST OHIO SOURCING OFFICE ("NEOISO"), ADOPTING THE CODE OF REGULATIONS OF NEOISO, AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO THE MEMBERSHIP AGREEMENT, THE MASTER SERVICES AND CONSULTING AGREEMENT, AND THE MASTER PRODUCTS AGREEMENT WITH NEOISO.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND HEIGHTS, STATE OF OHIO, THAT:

Section 1: Findings and Determinations. This Council finds and determines the following matters:

- (a) Certain municipal corporations and other political subdivisions located in Ashtabula, Columbiana, Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lake, Lorain, Mahoning, Medina, Portage, Stark, Summit, Trumbull, Ashland, Carroll, Richland and Wayne Counties, Ohio, as members ("Members"), have formed The Northeast Ohio Sourcing Office, an Ohio nonprofit corporation organized as a regional council of governments under Ohio Revised Code Chapter 167 ("NEOISO").
- (b) NEOISO was organized for the purposes of (i) providing consulting and management to its Members, (ii) developing and implementing certain sound business practices and processes as shared services to be made available to the Members, and (iii) developing and operating as a collective purchasing and service organization to enable its Members to obtain competitive terms from vendors and service providers by utilizing the combined purchasing power of all of NEOISO's Members thereby systematically creating leverage for the Members.
- (c) In order to participate in NEOISO, a political subdivision must become a Member by (i) executing the Membership Agreement with NEOISO, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit A and (ii) satisfying the qualifications and conditions of, and adopting, NEOISO's Code of Regulations, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit B.
- (d) In order to purchase services made available by NEOISO from service providers, the Membership Agreement requires NEOISO and the Member to enter into a Master Services and Consulting Agreement, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit C setting forth the terms and conditions under which the services will be provided for the political subdivision.
- (e) In order to purchase products made available by NEOISO from vendors, the Membership Agreement requires NEOISO and the Member to enter into a Master

Products Agreement, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit D setting forth the terms and conditions under which the political subdivision may acquire products. The Membership Agreement, the Master Services and Consulting Agreement, and the Master Products Agreement are collectively referred to as the “Agreements.”

- (f) The acquisition of products and services for the City is a burden of the City, and the collective procurement of products and services by NEOISO on behalf of its Members lessens the City’s burdens.
- (g) The City’s collective purchase of products and services as a Member of NEOISO will conserve and protect the City’s funds.
- (h) It is in the best interests of the City and its citizens for the City to become a Member of NEOISO and to enter into the Agreements necessary to participate in the collective purchasing and service programs.

Section 2: This Council authorizes the City to become a Member of NEOISO, and authorizes and directs the Mayor to enter into the Membership Agreement.

Section 3: This Council approves and ratifies the Code of Regulations, as amended from time to time, as the Code of Regulations of NEOISO.

Section 4: This Council authorizes and approves, and directs the Mayor to enter into, the Master Services and Consulting Agreement, as amended from time to time, with NEOISO.

Section 5: This Council authorizes and approves, and directs the Mayor to enter into, the Master Products Agreement, as amended from time to time, with NEOISO.

Section 6: It is 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 all deliberations of this 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 Ohio Revised Code.

Section 7: This Resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED: _____

Daniel J. Ursu, Mayor

APPROVED: _____

ATTEST: _____

Betsy Traben
Clerk of Council

David H. Roche
President of Council