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CITY OF CUYAHOGA FALLS, OHIO

RESOLUTION NO. /(/) - 2013

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN PREPARED FOR THE SUMMIT AKRON SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY. AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the City of Cuyahoga Falls is located within the Summit Akron Solid Waste Management Authority (SASWMA) ndba "Summit Reworks"; and

WHEREAS, each solid waste management district in the state must revise and update a solid waste management plan in five-year intervals; and

WHEREAS, on November 12, 2013 the SASWMA Board of Trustees adopted a final draft of its revised Solid Waste Management Plan in accordance with Ohio Revised Code ("R.C.") §§3734.53, 3734.54 and 3734.55; and

WHEREAS, on November 14, 2103 SASWMA provided a copy of the Draft Final Solid Waste Management Plan for ratification to each of the legislative authorities in the District, including this Council; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to R.C. §3734.55(B), each legislative authority in the District shall approve or disapprove of the draft plan within ninety (90) days after receiving it; and

WHEREAS, the Cuyahoga Falls curbside recycling program was implemented city-wide in 1989; and

WHEREAS, the City provides 100% recycling access to its residents via curbside collections and a full-time recycling drop-off location at the Bailey Road Service Center; and

WHEREAS, since 1989 the City's recycling program has diverted 246,516 tons of refuse away from landfills, saving the City approximately \$9.5 million in tipping fees; and

WHEREAS, in 1994, in order to encourage recycling, the City began using savings on tipping fees to support a permanent \$2.00 monthly rebate to sanitation customers participating in the recycling program; and

WHEREAS, in 2012 the City completed conversion its recycling system from bins to carts, increasing recycling by 50% to 1,632 tons annually; and

WHEREAS, the City receives over \$12,000 per month in recycling commodity revenue, substantially defraying the cost of its municipal solid waste management program and permitting the City to keep resident sanitation fees far lower than would otherwise be possible; and

WHEREAS, the City of Cuyahoga Falls has won numerous awards for its recycling, litter prevention, yard waste, electronic waste and other waste reduction strategies, including the Keep America Beautiful President's Circle Award in 2012 for comprehensive recycling, litter prevention, and municipal solid waste reduction programming,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Cuyahoga Falls, County of Summit and State of Ohio, that:

<u>Section 1.</u> This Council approves the Summit Akron Solid Waste Management Authority Solid Waste Management Plan dated November 12, 2013.

<u>Section 2.</u> The Clerk of Council is hereby directed to send to the Authority a copy of this resolution to the attention of Yolanda Walker, Executive Director, Summit Akron Solid Waste Management Authority 12 East Exchange Street, Akron, Ohio 44008.

<u>Section 3.</u> It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this resolution were adopted in an open meeting 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 Chapter 107 of the Codified Ordinances.

Section 4. This resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, convenience and welfare of the City of Cuyahoga Falls and the inhabitants thereof, and provided it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members elected or appointed to Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor; otherwise it shall take effect and be in force at the earliest period allowed by law.

President of Council

Clerk of Council

Approved:

11/25/13

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