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Presented by Councilmembers Miller, Nichols-Rhodes and Iona

CITY OF CUYAHOGA FALLS, OHIO

RESOLUTION NO.

- 201

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF COUNCIL'S SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON TRANSPARENCY AND BEST PRACTICES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the Special Committee on Transparency and Best Practices for City Council ("Committee") along with input from the citizens of Cuyahoga Falls, has made recommendations in an effort to make the operations of City Council more accessible to the public; and

WHEREAS, the Committee recommended placing audio recordings of City Council meetings on the City's website for public awareness and usage; and

WHEREAS, the Committee further recommended placing audio recordings of City Council meetings on the City's radio station 96.1 WCFI; and

WHEREAS, Council finds that the Committee's recommendations serve the public interest and promote trust, accessibility, accountability, and transparency in local government.

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>. Council supports the Special Committee's recommendation that audio recordings of Council meetings be placed on the City's website and on the City's radio station 96.1 WCFI to promote greater public access to City government.

<u>Section 2</u>. 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 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 Chapter 107 of the Codified Ordinances.

Section 3. 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.

Passed:

President of Council

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Clerk of Council

Approved:

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Mayor

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