

**RESOLUTION NO.:** 2025-R67  
**SPONSOR:** MAYOR YEARGIN  
**INTRODUCED:** NOVEMBER 25, 2025      **ASSIGNED TO:** \_\_\_\_\_

**A RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF GREEN, IN COORDINATION WITH THE CITY'S MANAGED IT SERVICES PROVIDER, TO SET AND IMPLEMENT STANDARDS TO PROTECT AGAINST CYBERSECURITY THREATS AND RANSOMWARE ATTACKS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

WHEREAS, Auditor of State Bulletin 2025-007 requires political subdivisions to develop and adopt standards designed to protect against cybersecurity threats and ransomware attacks;

WHEREAS, the City seeks to implement a Cybersecurity Program consistent with the requirements of Ohio Revised Code § 9.64, as enacted by H.B. 96, to safeguard municipal data and information technology resources and to maintain their availability, confidentiality, and integrity;

WHEREAS, second reading passage is being requested by the administration to meet the implementation date of January 1, 2026 pursuant to Ohio Revised Code § 9.64.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREEN, COUNTY OF SUMMIT, STATE OF OHIO, THAT:**

**SECTION ONE:**

The Mayor or designee is authorized to implement, maintain, and update the cybersecurity program to ensure continued compliance with state law and generally accepted cybersecurity best practices.

**SECTION TWO:**

That in the event of a ransomware incident, the City shall not pay or otherwise comply with a ransom demand without formal approval from City Council, by ordinance or resolution, that specifically states why the payment or compliance with the ransom demand is in the best interest of the City of Green.

**SECTION THREE:**

All records and documents related to the cybersecurity program are exempt from public records disclosure, consistent with ORC § 9.64(E).

**SECTION FOUR:**

The City of Green finds and determines that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Council and any deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in those formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements.

**SECTION THREE:**

Council declares this to be an emergency immediately necessary for the preservation of the public

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peace, health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Green and for the further reason that the Projects are set to proceed in the new year. Provided that this legislation receives the affirmative vote of three-fourths ( $\frac{3}{4}$ ths) 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 time allowed by law.

ADOPTED: \_\_\_\_\_, 2025

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Nichole Messner, Clerk of Council

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Jeff Noble, Council President

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_, 2025

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Rocco Yeargin, Mayor

ENACTED EFFECTIVE: \_\_\_\_\_, 2025

ON ROLL CALL:   Babbitt \_\_\_\_\_ DeVitis \_\_\_\_\_           Miller \_\_\_\_\_ Neugebauer \_\_\_\_\_  
                          Noble \_\_\_\_\_ Meager \_\_\_\_\_           Speight \_\_\_\_\_

**PUBLICATION CERTIFICATION**

I, Nichole Messner, Clerk of Council of the City of Green, County of Summit and State of Ohio, whose custody the original files and records of said council are required to be kept by the laws of the State of Ohio, do hereby certify that the above legislation was duly published in the *Southside Leader* on \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, 2025.

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Nichole Messner, Clerk of Council

11/19/2025 Approved as to form and content by Lisa Carey Dean, Director of Law \_\_\_\_\_