

RESOLUTION NO.: 2024-R68
SPONSOR: MAYOR YEARGIN
INTRODUCED: NOVEMBER 12, 2024 **ASSIGNED TO:** _____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF GREEN TO ENTER INTO CONTRACTS WITH VARIOUS LAW FIRMS FOR INCOME TAX COLLECTION SERVICES, FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2025 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2027, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the City of Green Income Tax Division would like to use third-party legal firms for income tax collection services; and

WHEREAS, taxpayers who do not pay their delinquent tax liability will be sent to legal firms for income tax collection; and

WHEREAS, legal firms that sue a taxpayer and obtains a Judgment will be able to collect on any Post-Judgment collections costs and fees, including attorney's fees pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 718.27(G); and

WHEREAS, as a result of the passage of Ordinance 2010-04, it is necessary for Green City Council to approve the hiring of law firms to provide legal services to the City for Contracts over Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000); and

WHEREAS, the legal firms qualifications for delinquent collections were researched by the Income Tax Administrator and the legal firms are in good standing based on Law Director review; and

WHEREAS, the City, pursuant to the quality-based selection process in the Ohio Revised Code, seeks to enter into similar Contracts with multiple firms for income tax collection services.

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

SECTION ONE:

Green City Council authorizes the Income Tax Division to enter into a contract or contracts with the following firms for the services specified:

1. Keith Weiner & Associates Co LPA
2. Ohio Attorney General's Office
3. Roderick Linton Belfance

SECTION TWO:

Green City Council authorizes the Finance Director to make payment to the various legal firms for services provided through the established purchase order process.

SECTION THREE:

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 open meetings of this Council and any deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements.

SECTION FOUR:

Green City Council declares this to be an emergency immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Green and for the reason that services may be necessary immediately. Provided that this legislation receives the affirmative vote of three-fourths (3/4ths) 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: _____, 2024

Nichole Messner, Clerk of Council

Christopher "CJ" Meager, Council President

APPROVED: _____, 2024

Rocco Yeargin, Mayor

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 _____, 2024.

Nichole Messner, Clerk of Council