

**ORDINANCE NO. 62-2023**

**TITLE: ENTER INTO CONTRACT – LAW DEPARTMENT  
DEFENDER’S OFFICE OF SUMMIT COUNTY**

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE LAW DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO A ONE-YEAR CONTRACT WITH THE LEGAL DEFENDER’S OFFICE OF SUMMIT COUNTY, TO PROVIDE LEGAL REPRESENTATION TO INDIGENT PERSONS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$170 PER CASE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Council of the City of Barberton, State of Ohio:

**SECTION 1.** That the Law Director is hereby authorized to enter into a one-year contract with the Legal Defender’s Office of Summit County, to provide legal representation to indigent persons who are charged with crimes where a jail sentence may result. The amount billed under the contract, from January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023, is One Hundred Seventy Dollars and No Cents (\$170.00) per misdemeanor case.

**SECTION 2.** That it is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this ordinance were taken 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 meetings open to the public in compliance with the law.

**SECTION 3.** That this ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety, convenience and welfare of the City of Barberton and the inhabitants thereof, in order for this legal representation to be available as soon as possible and to expedite the January 1, 2023 agreement, and provided it receives the necessary votes required by the City Charter, shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval; otherwise to be in full force and effect from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed April 24, 2023

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Clerk of Council

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President of Council

Approved \_\_\_\_\_ 2023

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Mayor