

ORDINANCE NO. 83-2023

**TITLE: ENTER INTO CONTRACT
WICHERT INSURANCE COMPANY**

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, OR HIS DESIGNEE, TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH WICHERT INSURANCE COMPANY, FOR PROPERTY, VEHICLE, EQUIPMENT, AND LIABILITY INSURANCE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$396,331, AN APPROXIMATELY \$38,000 INCREASE FROM LAST YEAR, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the contract will be for a one-year renewal of these insurances.

WHEREAS, the renewal’s price increase is due to inflation, a higher number of vehicles on the policy, higher equipment values, and insurance agencies suffering from one of the largest underwriting losses in the first quarter of this year.

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

SECTION 1. That the Mayor, or his designee, is hereby authorized to enter into contract with Wichert Insurance Company for property, vehicle, equipment, and liability insurance, in the amount of Three Hundred Ninety-Six Thousand Three Hundred Thirty-Three Dollars and No Cents (\$396,331.00).

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 to commence with contract execution and begin work, 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 June 12, 2023

Clerk of Council

President of Council

Approved _____ 2023

Mayor