Sponsor: Jones / Brown

ORDINANCE NO. 04-14

AN ORDINANCE OF THE LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF JACKSON AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO THE INDIGENT DEFENSE CONTRACT WITH THE JACKSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SO AS TO PROVIDE LEGAL COUNSEL TO INDIGENT PERSONS CHARGED WITH VIOLATIONS OF THE JACKSON MUNICIPAL CODE FOR THE FIRST HALF OF 2014 IN AN AMOUNT OF \$12,069.42.

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson, Ohio is obligated to provide legal counsel to indigent persons charged with violation of the Municipal Code, greater than a minor misdemeanor and the contract must be entered at the earliest possible date to prevent interruption of representation; and

WHEREAS, the Jackson County Commissioners have contracted with the Ohio Public Defenders Commission to provide counsel to indigent persons and has made arrangements for this legal counsel to provide defenses to indigent persons charged with violations of the Jackson City Code; and

WHEREAS, the contract is for the first half of 2014 beginning on January 1, 2014 and ending June 31, 2014 at a cost to the city in an amount of \$12,069.42 to paid from line item 110-7750-53007 (professional services); and

WHEREAS, the continuation of counsel to represent the indigent criminal defendants of the City of Jackson constitutes an emergency that is necessary to preserve the public health, safety and welfare of the City and its citizens; and

WHEREAS, a copy of the agreement is attached hereto and is incorporated herein; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED THAT THE LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY OF THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE CITY OF JACKSON THAT THE MAYOR IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED AND DIRECTED TO ENTER INTO THE AGREEMENT FOR INDIGENT DEFENSE SERVICES IN MUNICIPAL COURT AS ATTACHED HERETO AND TO CAUSE PAYMENT TO BE MADE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$12,069.42 FROM LINE ITEM 110-7750-53007 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

In the event this Ordinance receives a majority vote for passage but fails to receive the required number of votes to pass as an emergency, then this Ordinance shall be deemed to have passed but with no emergency clause, and shall take effect at the earliest time permitted by law.

It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to adoption of this ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council and the deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in a meeting open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Legislative Authority of the Political Subdivision on this 13th day of January, 2014.

President of Council

ATTEST:

<u>The my</u> Band Clerk of the Degislative Authority

Approved this $\underline{i3^{th}}$ day of $\underline{\underline{9anuary}}$, 2014.

Kandy R. Head