**AUTHORIZING** the payment of \$10,072 to Howell Rescue Systems, Inc. from Cincinnati Fire Department General Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x271x5000x7259 for charges related to preventative maintenance and repair services for hydraulic rescue tools used by the Cincinnati Fire Department from August 26, 2024 through August 28, 2024, pursuant to the attached then and now certificate from the Director of Finance.

WHEREAS, the City entered into a sole source agreement (contract no. 232S008552) with Howell Rescue Systems Inc. ("Contractor") effective November 1, 2022 through October 31, 2024, for hydraulic rescue tools and associated maintenance and repair services for the Cincinnati Fire Department ("CFD"); and

WHEREAS, on May 7, 2024, CFD received a quote from Contractor for \$8,385 for preventative maintenance, which included potential costs for replacement items and travel; and

WHEREAS, CFD certified funds and entered a delivery order against the sole source agreement on June 12, 2024 in the quoted amount of \$8,385 but did not account for potential cost increases; and

WHEREAS, on August 29, 2024, CFD received a final invoice from Contractor for \$10,072 for preventative maintenance and repair services from August 26, 2024 through August 28, 2024; and

WHEREAS, because funds were originally certified in FY24 and because the Contractor cannot separate the invoice, the City agreed to authorize payment for the full invoice amount in FY25 and cancel the original certification for \$8,385 following the new payment; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.41(D)(1), the Director of Finance has issued a certificate, attached to this ordinance, verifying that a sufficient sum was appropriated and in the City Treasury for the purpose of paying such charges under the contract both at the time the contract began and at the time the attached certificate was issued; and

WHEREAS, Council desires to provide payment to Contractor for the City's outstanding obligation of \$10,072 for charges related to preventative maintenance and repair services for hydraulic rescue tools used by CFD August 26, 2024 through August 28, 2024; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Cincinnati, State of Ohio:

Section 1. That the Director of Finance is authorized to make a payment of \$10,072 to Howell Rescue Systems, Inc. from Cincinnati Fire Department General Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x271x5000x7259 for charges related to preventative maintenance

and repair services for hydraulic rescue tools used by the Cincinnati Fire Department from August 26, 2024 through August 28, 2024.

Section 2. That the proper City officials are authorized to do all things necessary and proper to carry out the provisions of Section 1.

Section 3. That this ordinance shall be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and general welfare and shall, subject to the terms of Article II, Section 6 of the Charter, be effective immediately. The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to pay Howell Rescue Systems, Inc. for the outstanding charges in a timely manner.

Passed:		, 2024	
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Attest:			
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