

**THE SUMMIT AND MEDINA WORKFORCE AREA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
FOR OHIO LOCAL WORKFORCE AREA 2
RESOLUTION 2022-17**

A Resolution authorizing the Summit and Medina Workforce Area Council of Governments (“SAMWA COG”) to adopt changes to its bylaws to correct the language citing the composition requirements for appointments to the Workforce Development Board and define how members of the public shall address the SAMWA COG Board in compliance with Ohio’s Sunshine Laws.

WHEREAS, the Summit and Medina Workforce Area Council of Governments (“SAMWA COG”) adopted organizational documents, including its bylaws, on November 1, 2016, with the intent to define the governance structure through which the public workforce system in Ohio Local Workforce Area 2 (“Area 2”) would operate;

WHEREAS, the SAMWA COG Bylaws were first amended by Resolution 2017-19 and a second time by Resolution 2019-05;

WHEREAS, the SAMWA COG Board has identified procedural changes that creates a need to again amend said bylaws;

WHEREAS, during a recent review of the SAMWA COG Bylaws it was determined the composition requirements for appointments to the Workforce Development Board (“WDB”) does not match the cited composition requirements in the WDB’s Bylaws;

WHEREAS, after a recent training attended by SAMWA COG staff concerning Ohio’s Public Records and Open Meeting Laws, the staff recognized the SAMWA COG Board’s process to permit members of the public address the SAMWA COG Board is too cumbersome;

WHEREAS, the SAMWA COG Board finds and determines, that it is necessary to amend the SAMWA COG Bylaws to cite the same composition requirements as the WDB Bylaws and to streamline the process that permits how members of the public address the SAMWA COG Board;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the SAMWA COG that:

SECTION 1

The amended SAMWA COG Bylaws, attached hereto as Resolution Exhibit A, are hereby adopted. The amended bylaws Section 2. shall contain the same composition requirements for appointments to the WDB and revises Section 1.3 “Meetings are open to the public”, to streamline the process for members of the public who request to address the COG members at its board meeting

SECTION 2

Upon adoption of this Resolution, the amended bylaws, attached hereto as Resolution Exhibit A, replace all previously adopted versions of the SAMWA COG Bylaws.

SECTION 3

This Directive shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

Ayes: 2

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 0

ADOPTED, this 20th day of December, 2022.


Summit County Executive


Medina County Commissioner