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Background:

The legislative authority of a county, township, or municipal corporation that grants an exemption from taxation under Chapter 725. or 1728. or under section 3735.67, 5709.28, 5709.40, 5709.41, 5709.45, 5709.62, 5709.63, 5709.632, 5709.73, or 5709.78 of the Revised Code shall create a tax incentive review council. The council shall consist of the following members:

In the case of a municipal corporation eligible to designate a zone under section 5709.62 of the Revised Code, the chief executive officer or that officer's designee; a member of the legislative authority of the municipal corporation, appointed by the president of the legislative authority or, if the chief executive officer of the municipal corporation is the president, appointed by the president pro tempore of the legislative authority; the county auditor or the county auditor's designee; the chief financial officer of the municipal corporation or that officer's designee; an individual appointed by the board of education of each city, local, exempted village, and joint vocational school district to which the instrument granting the exemption applies; and two members of the public appointed by the chief executive officer of the municipal corporation with the concurrence of the legislative authority. At least four members of the council shall be residents of the municipal corporation.

Annually, the tax incentive review council shall review all agreements granting exemptions from property taxation under Chapter 725. or 1728. or under section 3735.671, 5709.28, 5709.62, 5709.63, or 5709.632 of the Revised Code, and any performance or audit reports required to be submitted pursuant to those agreements.

Emergency Justification: Emergency action is requested in order to facilitate the appointing of two new “members of the public” to the Tax Incentive Review Council.

Fiscal Impact: No funding is required for this legislation.

To concur with the appointment of two new public members to the Tax Incentive Review Council for the purpose of attending the annual review of agreements of active tax incentives; and to declare an emergency.

WHEREAS, the legislative authority of a county, township, or municipal corporation that grants an exemption from taxation under Chapter 725. or 1728. or under section 3735.67, 5709.28, 5709.40, 5709.41,5709.45, 5709.62, 5709.63, 5709.632, 5709.73, or 5709.78 of the Revised Code shall create a tax incentive review council. The council shall consist of the following members; and

WHEREAS, in the case of a municipal corporation eligible to designate a zone under section 5709.62 of the Revised Code, the chief executive officer or that officer's designee; a member of the legislative authority of the municipal corporation, appointed by the president of the legislative authority or, if the chief executive officer of the municipal corporation is the president, appointed by the president pro tempore of the legislative authority; the county auditor or the county auditor's designee; the chief financial officer of the municipal corporation or that officer's designee; an individual appointed by the board of education of each city, local, exempted village, and joint vocational school district to which the instrument granting the exemption applies; two members of the public appointed by the chief executive officer of the municipal corporation with the concurrence of the legislative authority. At least four members of the council shall be residents of the municipal corporation; and

WHEREAS, annually, the tax incentive review council shall review all agreements granting exemptions from property taxation under Chapter 725. or 1728. or under section 3735.671, 5709.28, 5709.62, 5709.63, or 5709.632 of the Revised

Code, and any performance or audit reports required to be submitted pursuant to those agreements; and

WHEREAS, the appointment of Bill Lafayette, Founder and Owner of Regionomics LLC, would fill one of the vacant “member of the public” openings and he resides in the City of Columbus; and

WHEREAS, the appointment of Nicole Pittman, Assistant General Counsel for Nationwide Mutual Insurance Co. would fill the second “member of the public” opening and she resides in the City of Columbus; and

WHEREAS, all other members and designee positions have been appointed and will remain the same; and

WHEREAS, by adoption of this resolution Columbus City Council determines that the appointment of the two new “members of the public” complies with the requirements of the Ohio Revised Code under section 5709.62; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Development in that it is immediately necessary to appoint two new public members in order to facilitate the last two membership openings for the Tax Incentive Review Council and for the preservation of the public health, peace, property, safety, and welfare;

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:

Section 1. That this Council hereby concurs with the appointment by the Mayor of two new public members to the Tax Incentive Review Council for the purpose of attending the annual review of agreements of active tax incentives.

a. Bill Lafayette is hereby appointed as a member to the Columbus Tax Incentive Review Council.

b. Nicole Pittman is hereby appointed as a member to the Columbus Tax Incentive Review Council.

Section 2. That for the reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part hereof, this resolution is hereby declared an emergency measure and shall take effect and be in force from and immediately after its passage and approval by the Mayor, or 10 days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.