First Reading: January 17, 2023 Second Reading: dispensed

# RESOLUTION NO. 2023 - OO 2

# A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH SAFETY COMPLIANCE INSPECTIONS, LLC FOR THE PROVISION OF LIFE SAFETY AND FIRE INSPECTIONS AS WELL AS FIRE BUILDING PLAN REVIEW, AND DISPENSING WITH THE SECOND READING

**WHEREAS,** the Board of Township Trustees wishes to approve an agreement with Safety Compliance Inspections, LLC to provide life safety and fire inspections, as well as fire building plan review to Sycamore Township.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of Township Trustees of Sycamore Township, State of Ohio:

**SECTION 1.** 

The Board hereby approves a contract with Safety Compliance Inspections, LLC in substantially the same form as attached hereto and the Township Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to execute the agreement on behalf of the Board of Township Trustees.

SECTION 2.

The Trustees of Sycamore Township upon at least a majority vote do hereby dispense with any requirement that this resolution be read on two separate days, and hereby authorize the adoption of this resolution upon its first reading.

**SECTION 3.** 

This resolution shall take effect on the earliest date allowed by law.

#### VOTE RECORD:

Mr. James AYE Ms. Schwegmann AYE Mr. Weidman AYE

Passed at a meeting of the Board of Township Trustees of Sycamore Township this 17th day of January, 2023.

Thomas J. Weidman, Chairman

Tracy Schweymann, Vice Chairman Chairman

Thomas C. James, Jr., Trustee

## **AUTHENTICATION**

This is to certify that this resolution was duly passed and filed with the Township Fiscal Officer of Sycamore Township this  $17^{th}$  day of January, 2023.

Robert C. Porter III, Fiscal Officer

Sycamore Township, Ohio

### **APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

Lawrence E. Barbiere, Law Director

#### INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR AGREEMENT

This Agreement is effective the Interpretation of January 2033 between The Board of Township Trustees of Sycamore Township, Ohio, an Ohio township, 8540 Kenwood Road, Sycamore Township, Ohio 45236, hereinafter referred to as the 'Township', and Safety Compliance Inspections, LLC, 7968 Second St., West Chester, Ohio 45069, hereinafter referred to as "SCI".

- 1. The Township agrees to continue the contract with SCI as an independent contractor for purposes of <u>Plan Reviews & Data Entry</u> and when required <u>Life Safety Inspections</u>.
- 2. Reviewing Plans, SCI shall be compensated at a rate of one-half of the "current plan review fees schedule". Hourly rate in line 4 will not apply while performing plan reviews off location. Any changes of the existing plan review fees and off hour fees shall be review by SCI 30 days prior of going into effect.
  - A.) Reviewing Plans while on site, the one half-rate plan review fee will not apply.
- 3. From time to time, a request for an "Off Hour" inspections be performed by SCI. Such "Off Hour" inspections shall be approved by the Fire Chief or designee. In those situations, SCI shall be compensated at a rate of one half of the "Off Hour" inspection fee listed in the current fee schedule.
- 4. SCI will be compensated for its services as an independent at an hourly rate of \$45.50 with a 2-hour minimum and shall be approved by the Fire Chief or designee prior to preforming these Task/Inspection.
- 5. The duties of SCI while acting under this Agreement for Sycamore Township shall be as follows:
  - A.) Conducting plan reviews for compliance with the Ohio Fire Code, Ohio Building Code, Ohio Mechanical Codes and Ohio Property Maintenance Code on new and existing construction projects in conjunction with the Hamilton County Building Department and/or other building authorities. Plan Reviews will be performed off location and on location by using digital plans that will be obtained through Sycamore Zoning, emails, or other available approved sources. If plans are reviewed on township property, hourly fees will apply as noted in line 4.
  - B.) If required, preform the following duties but not limited to; Acceptance Testing for Fire Alarms and Sprinkler Systems, Meeting with Contractors, Inspecting Foster & Adoption Homes, Schools, Annual inspections of Nursing Homes, Restaurant's, Daycare's, Business & Mercantile Buildings, Final Occupancy Inspection along with Hamilton County Building Inspector and other commercial buildings within Sycamore Township, hourly fees will apply.
  - C.) Monthly Reports are required each month and sent to the Fire Chief or Designee or all work that is done by SCI.

- D.) Maintain CEUs on the State of Ohio Fire Inspector Certification and The Board of Building Standards Fire Protection Inspector Certification as required.
- 6. As an independent contractor, SCI shall be responsible for payment of all federal, state, and local taxes of whatever nature, including all Social Security, Medicare, self-employment taxes and any unemployment taxes, if applicable. SCI shall maintain workers compensation insurance. SCI shall only be reimbursed for actual out-of-pocket costs expended on behalf of the Township that are previously approved by the Fire Chief or designee.
- 6. SCI shall submit bi-weekly invoices to the Township which shall be paid within fifteen (15) days from the date of the regular Trustee meeting at which the invoice is presented.
- 7. This Agreement shall be cancellable immediately by the Township for cause; cause being defined as the misfeasance, malfeasance, and nonfeasance on the part of SCI or any of its members, officers, employees, or agents in carrying out his duties. This Agreement may be cancelled by either party for any reason by giving thirty (30) days prior written notice to the other party at the address set forth above.
- 8. This Agreement shall be construed under the laws of the State of Ohio.

9. Any change or modification to this Agreement shall be reduced to writing and signed by the parties. Each person executing this Agreement warrants that they have the authority to execute this Agreement on behalf of the party.
In Witness Whereof, the parties have executed this Agreement effective on the date set forth above.

Witness

Witness

Bv:

Fracy Schwegmann, Chairman,

Board of Trustees

By:

Robert C. Porter, III. Fiscal Officer

Witness

Safety Compliance Inspections, LLC