ORDINANCE NO. <u>/5</u>-95

By: Richard F. Weber

An Ordinance to authorize the Mayor and Auditor to execute a contract with the City Attorney of Columbus, Ohio for legal representation in the Franklin County Municipal Court and to declare an emergency.
BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BEXLEY, OHIO:
Section 1. That the Mayor and Auditor are hereby authorized to execute a contract by and between the City of Bexley and Ronald J. O'Brien, City Attorney of Columbus, Ohio, for the prosecution of certain cases before the Franklin County Municipal Court, Criminal Division, and for representation of the Bureau of Motor Vehicles in certain cases in the Franklin County Municipal Court, Civil Division, at a rate of \$50 per hour, said contract to be in a form approved by the City Attorney of Bexley.
Section 2. That this Ordinance is an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, said emergency being the need to provide uninterrupted representation of the City before the Franklin County Municipal Court, and shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.
Passed:, 1995
Attest: Clerk of Council Approved: Approv
ƳDavid H. Madison, Mayor

May 9, 1995 - 1st reading May 23, 1995 - 2nd reading June 13, 1995 - 3nd reading - adapted

CONTRACT

This Agreement, entered into beginning on January 1, 1995, by and between Ronald J. O'Brien, City Attorney of Columbus, Ohio, pursuant to Ordinance No. 470-92, passed March 9, 1992, and the City of Bexley, Ohio, by the Mayor and Auditor

pursuant to Ordinance/Resolution No. 15-95, for the prosecution of certain cases before the Franklin County Municipal Court, Criminal Division, and for the representation of the Bureau of Motor Vehicles of certain cases in the Franklin County Municipal Court, Civil Division; now, therefore, the parties hereto agree as follows:

Ronald J. O'Brien, City Attorney of Columbus, Ohio, hereby agrees that he will undertake to prosecute, by and through personnel employed by the Columbus City Prosecutor's Office, all cases coming before the Franklin County Municipal Court, Criminal Division, arising out of alleged violations of traffic and criminal ordinances of the City of Bexley, Ohio, or traffic and criminal statutes of the State of Ohio, which occur within the limits of the City of Bexley, Ohio; provided however, Ronald J. O'Brien, City Attorney of Columbus, Ohio, reserves the right to decline to represent the City of Bexley under this contract in any specific case filed in or coming before the Franklin County Municipal Court upon giving written notice to the City Solicitor of the City of Bexley, seven days before a scheduled hearing in that specific case; and provided further that the City Solicitor of the <u>City of Bexley</u> reserves the right under this contract to represent the City of Bexley in any specific case filed in or coming before the Franklin County Municipal Court upon giving

written notice to Ronald J. O'Brien, City Attorney for the City of Columbus, Ohio, seven days before a scheduled hearing in that specific case that the City Solicitor of the City of Bexley, Ohio, intends to represent said City or Village in that specific case. When the aforementioned notice is given that the City Solicitor of the City of Bexley will represent said municipality in a specific case and no prosecution time has been expended but a file has been prepared, or subpoenas issued, or other preliminary work done on that case, there shall be a flat charge of Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) that the municipality agrees to pay.

Ronald J. O'Brien, City Attorney of Columbus, Ohio, further agrees that he will direct his prosecutor personnel who are to perform the services contemplated by this Contract, to consult and advise the officers of the <u>City of Bexley</u>, Ohio, Police Department, and all other appropriate officials of the <u>City of Bexley</u>, Ohio, when necessary, concerning the prosecution or enforcement of the criminal and traffic statutes of the State of Ohio and ordinances of the <u>City of Bexley</u>, Ohio, within the limits of said <u>City of Bexley</u>, Ohio.

Ronald J. O'Brien, City Attorney of Columbus, Ohio, further agrees that he will, by and through the personnel assigned to duties in the Columbus City Prosecutor's Office, consult with and advise all persons concerning violations of the criminal statutes of the State of Ohio, alleged to have occurred within the limits of the City of Bexley, Ohio, and will assist such citizens, when necessary, in the interests of justice, when requested by the local police or prosecutor, in the preparation and filing of complaints charging such offenses.

Ronald J. O'Brien, City Attorney of Columbus, Ohio, further agrees that he will undertake to represent the Bureau of Motor Vehicles, by and through personnel employed by the Columbus City Attorney's Office, in all cases coming before the Franklin County Municipal Court, Civil Division, arising out of the appeal procedures of Ohio Revised Code Sections 4511.191 and 4507.40 and in which the legal representative of the City of Bexley, Ohio, would have a duty to represent the Bureau of Motor Vehicles.

The <u>City of Bexley</u>, Ohio, in consideration of the above promises of Ronald J. O'Brien, City Attorney of Columbus, Ohio, agrees to pay to Ronald J. O'Brien, City Attorney of Columbus, Ohio, for deposit in the Treasurer of the City of Columbus, the sum of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) per hour, being the uniform rate per hour for such services by members of the City Prosecutor's staff, with a minimum charge of one-half hour for scheduled court hearings, as fixed by resolution of the Council of the City of Columbus. Said sum due to be stated on invoice from the City Attorney of Columbus, Ohio, at approximately monthly intervals.

It is mutually understood and agreed that the responsibility of Ronald J. O'Brien, City Attorney of Columbus, Ohio, under this Contract shall be limited to those functions set out above, and specifically that he and his Prosecutor or Civil Litigation personnel, by which he chooses to perform this Contract, shall not be required to engage in any investigations other than those normally performed by the Columbus City Prosecutor's Office in regard to and incident to the prosecution thereby of routine cases arising in the City of Columbus, the taking of depositions, the prosecution of appeals by the plaintiff City or State from judgments of the Franklin County Municipal Court, or the preparation or consideration of legislation.

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It is further mutually understood and agreed that, notwithstanding any of the above provisions of this Contract, the City of Bexley shall have the absolute right, in its sole discretion, to undertake to prosecute by and through the Prosecutor of the City of Bexley, any case coming before the Franklin County Municipal Court, arising out of alleged violations of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Bexley, or alleged violations of the traffic and criminal statutes of the State of Ohio, which occur within the limits of the City of Bexley, Ohio, or any appeal from judgments of the Franklin County Municipal Court relating thereto.

It is further mutually understood and agreed that, Ronald J. O'Brien, City Attorney of Columbus, Ohio, shall notify the City of Bexley, Ohio, by and through its Prosecutor, of the filing of any Notice of Appeal from judgments of the Franklin County Municipal Court within the purview of this Contract, within five (5) days of such filing, whether such Notice of Appeal is filed on behalf of the City of Bexley or on behalf of any defendant. The City of Bexley shall notify Ronald J. O'Brien, City Attorney of Columbus, Ohio, within ten (10) days thereafter if it intends to handle that appeal, and in the absence of such notice, agrees that Ronald J. O'Brien, City Attorney of Columbus, Ohio, shall handle that appeal at the hourly rate specified herein.

It is further mutually understood and agreed that, the <u>City</u> of <u>Bexley</u> shall have the right to decline the prosecution of any appeal on its behalf by Ronald J. O'Brien, City Attorney of Columbus, Ohio; however, should Ronald J. O'Brien, City Attorney of Columbus, Ohio, desire to prosecute an appeal from any judgment of the Franklin County Municipal Court within the

purview of this Contract, that the <u>City of Bexley</u> has declined to prosecute, then Ronald J. O'Brien, City Attorney of Columbus, Ohio, shall have the right to prosecute such appeal at his own expense.

This Contract may be terminated by either party hereto at any time before the expiration thereof by giving thirty (30) days written notice to the other party of its intention to terminate.

The parties hereto further agree that this Contract shall be in full force and effect from the date first written above through <u>December 31</u>, <u>1995</u>, unless terminated earlier, as provided herein.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Contract, this 2 day of 4, 1995.

CITY OF COLUMBUS DEPARTMENT OF LAW

RONALD J. O'BRIEN CITY ATTORNEY,

Ronald J. O'Brien

City OF Bexley
Ohio

John M. Loehnert.

John W. Hornsberger, Auditor