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**COUNTY PARTNERS WITH CUYAHOGA FALLS  
TO PROVIDE \$10,000 GRANT**

The County of Summit and the City of Cuyahoga Falls are signing a contract February 26, 2008 that will provide assistance for the demolition of the city-owned, former B&B Towing building located at 2300 Second Street; where plans are in the works to add additional green space and parking for the Natatorium, Church Square and City Building.

The one-time grant agreement, presented by Summit County Executive Russell M. Pry, County Council member John Schmidt, District 2, and Cuyahoga Falls Mayor Don L. Robart, supplements the \$330,000 investment the city paid to purchase the property in July 2007.

“We are happy to be a part of this partnership assisting the City of Cuyahoga Falls in their commitment to continue the beautification and economic development of downtown,” said Summit County Executive Russell M. Pry.

The City of Cuyahoga Falls will continue to invest in the property by expending additional sums in the near future for the additional green space, parking and beautification.

“This is going to be an outstanding improvement for the downtown Cuyahoga Falls area,” said Schmidt. “This has been a thorny issue for the better part of 30 years.”

Council President Nick Kostandaras signed legislation of Council’s unanimous approval of the funds on Feb. 11, 2008.

“This agreement symbolizes the kind of local impact government can have when Summit County and city governments work together in a partnership for positive change,” Kostandaras said.

District 2 includes most of the City of Cuyahoga Falls, the City of Munroe Falls, and portions of Akron including East Akron, Goodyear Heights and North Hill.

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