



MINUTES

CUYAHOGA COUNTY COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2023
CUYAHOGA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS
C. ELLEN CONNALLY COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 4TH FLOOR
3:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

Council President Jones called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Turner, Kelly, Miller, Tuma, Gallagher, Schron and Jones were in attendance and a quorum was determined. Mr. Sweeney and Ms. Conwell were absent.

[Clerk's Note: Councilmembers Stephens and Simon entered the meeting after the roll call was taken].

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments given.

4. ITEMS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

- a) R2023-0349: A Resolution amending Resolution No. R2016-0218 dated 12/13/2016, as amended by Resolution Nos. R2018-0067, R2020-0061, R2022-0049, and R2023-0020 which authorized a Grant in the amount of \$2,500,000.00 to Variety Properties LLC for the benefit of a project located at 11801 - 11825 Lorain Avenue in the City of Cleveland, by extending the Resolution sunset provision from November 30, 2023, to May 31, 2024; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Mr. Paul Herdeg, Director of Development, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2023-0349. Discussion ensued.

Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. Herdeg pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.

On a motion by Ms. Turner with a second by Mr. Miller, Resolution No. R2023-0349 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda with a recommendation for passage under second reading suspension of the rules.

- b) R2023-0353: A Resolution amending the 2022/2023 Biennial Operating Budget for 2023 by providing for additional fiscal appropriations from the General Fund and other funding sources, for appropriation transfers between budget accounts and for cash transfers between budgetary funds, to meet the budgetary needs of various County departments, offices and agencies; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Mr. Trevor McAleer, Legislative Budget Advisor, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2023-0353. Discussion ensued.

Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. McAleer pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.

On a motion by Mr. Schron with a second by Ms. Turner, Resolution No. R2023-0353 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda with a recommendation for passage under second reading suspension of the rules.

- c) R2023-0354: A Resolution authorizing a Subsidy Agreement with the Alcohol, Drug Addiction & Mental Health Services Board of Cuyahoga County governing the use, disbursement, and oversight of Health and Human Services Levy funds, for the initial period of 1/1/2024 through 12/31/2025; authorizing the County Executive to execute the Agreement and all other documents consistent with this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Mr. Michael King, Special Counsel, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2023-0354. Discussion ensued.

Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. King pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.

On a motion by Mr. Schron with a second by Ms. Turner, Resolution No. R2023-0354 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda with a recommendation for passage under second reading suspension of the rules.

- d) R2023-0355: A Resolution authorizing a Charity Care Services Agreement with the MetroHealth System governing the use, disbursement, and oversight of Health and Human Services Levy funds, for the initial period of 1/1/2024 through 12/31/2025; authorizing the County Executive to execute the Agreement and all other documents consistent with this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Mr. Michael King, Special Counsel, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2023-0355. Discussion ensued.

Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. King pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.

On a motion by Mr. Schron with a second by Ms. Turner, Resolution No. R2023-0355 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda with a recommendation for passage under second reading suspension of the rules.

- e) R2023-0357: A Resolution confirming the County Executive's appointment of Emily Garr Pacetti to serve on the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority Board of Trustees for the term 3/4/2023 – 3/3/2026; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Ms. Zoe Toscos, Special Projects Manager, Office of the County Executive, presented the item.

Ms. Emily Garr Pacetti addressed the Committee regarding her nomination to serve on the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority Board of Trustees. Discussion ensued.

Committee members asked questions of Ms. Pacetti pertaining to her experience, expertise and qualifications, which she answered accordingly.

On a motion by Ms. Turner with a second by Mr. Tuma, Resolution No. R2023-0357 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda with a recommendation for passage under second reading suspension of the rules.

- f) R2023-0358: A Resolution making an award on RQ13202 to Kufleitner Automotive Inc. in the amount not-to-exceed \$824,432.00 for the purchase of replacement, new, never titled (7) Dodge Ram 4500 trucks for use by the Sanitary Division; approving Purchase Order No. 23004857; and authorizing the County Executive to execute all other documents consistent with said award and this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Mr. Thomas Pavich, Department of Public Works, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2023-0358. Discussion ensued.

Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. Pavich pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.

On a motion by Mr. Miller with a second by Ms. Turner, Resolution No. R2023-0358 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda with a recommendation for passage under second reading suspension of the rules.

- g) R2023-0359: A Resolution authorizing an agreement with Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District in the amount not-to-exceed \$2,000,000.00 for disposal of wastewater sewer grit for the period 1/1/2024 – 10/31/2025; authorizing the County Executive to execute Agreement No. 3878 and all other documents consistent with this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Ms. Nichole English, Department of Public Works, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2023-0359. Discussion ensued.

Councilmembers asked questions of Ms. English pertaining to the item, which she answered accordingly.

On a motion by Mr. Schron with a second by Mr. Miller, Resolution No. R2023-0359 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda with a recommendation for passage under second reading suspension of the rules.

- h) R2023-0360: A Resolution making an award on RQ11582 and authorizing a purchase and sale agreement with 10991 Memphis Avenue, LLC in the amount not-to-exceed \$1,200,000.00 for the property, located at 10991 Memphis Avenue, Brooklyn, Permanent Parcel Number 431-05-011, effective upon signatures of all parties; authorizing the County Executive to execute Agreement No. 3886 and all other documents consistent with said award and this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Ms. Nichole English, Department of Public Works, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2023-0360. Discussion ensued.

Councilmembers asked questions of Ms. English pertaining to the item, which she answered accordingly.

On a motion by Mr. Miller with a second by Mr. Tuma, Resolution No. R2023-0360 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda with a recommendation for passage under second reading suspension of the rules.

- i) R2023-0361: A Resolution authorizing a cooperative agreement with Olmsted Township for preventative and routine maintenance of 22 miles of County roads and various structures for the period 1/1/2024 – 12/31/2033, in the amount not-to-exceed \$6,500,000.00; authorizing the County Executive to execute the agreement and all other documents consistent with this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Ms. Nichole English, Department of Public Works, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2023-0361. Discussion ensued.

Councilmembers asked questions of Ms. English pertaining to the item, which she answered accordingly.

On a motion by Mr. Miller with a second by Ms. Turner, Resolution No. R2023-0361 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda with a recommendation for passage under second reading suspension of the rules.

- j) R2023-0362: A Resolution making an award on RQ13433 to The Great Lakes Construction Company in the amount not-to-exceed \$8,018,591.97 for rehabilitation of North Main Street Bridge No. 00.12 over the Chagrin River in the Village of Chagrin Falls; authorizing the County Executive to execute Contract No. 3952 and all other documents consistent with said award and this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Ms. Nichole English, Department of Public Works, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2023-0362. Discussion ensued.

Councilmembers asked questions of Ms. English pertaining to the item, which she answered accordingly.

On a motion by Mr. Schron with a second by Ms. Turner, Resolution No. R2023-0362 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda with a recommendation for passage under second reading suspension of the rules.

- k) R2023-0363: A Resolution authorizing an amendment to Contract No. 934 with AT&T Corporation for Internet Service Provider and Distributed Denial of Service Security services for the period 1/1/2019 – 12/31/2023 to extend the time period to 12/31/2028 and for additional funds in the amount not-to-exceed \$826,000.00; authorizing the County Executive to execute the amendment and all other documents consistent with this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Mr. Matthew Hrubey, Department of Public Works, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2023-0363. Discussion ensued.

Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. Hrubey pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.

On a motion by Mr. Miller with a second by Mr. Tuma, Resolution No. R2023-0363 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda with a recommendation for passage under second reading suspension of the rules.

- l) R2023-0364: A Resolution authorizing an amendment to Contract No. 1189 AT&T Corporation for Wide Area Network links for the time period 1/1/2019 – 12/31/2023 to extend the time period to 12/31/2028 and for additional funds in the amount-to-exceed \$984,393.00; authorizing the County Executive to execute the amendment and all other documents consistent with this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Mr. Matthew Hrubey, Department of Public Works, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2023-0364. Discussion ensued.

Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. Hrubey pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.

On a motion by Mr. Miller with a second by Mr. Schron Resolution No. R2023-0364 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda with a recommendation for passage under second reading suspension of the rules.

- m) R2023-0365: A Resolution authorizing an amendment to Contract No. 1978 with CaremarkPCS Health, LLC for pharmacy benefit management services for County employees and their eligible dependents and Cuyahoga County Benefits Regionalization Program participants' employees and their eligible dependents for the period 1/1/2022 – 12/31/2024 and for additional funds in the amount not-to-exceed \$30,183,128.00; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Ms. Sarah Nemastil, Director, Department of Human Resources and Mr. Stephen Witt, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2023-0365. Discussion ensued.

Councilmembers asked questions of Ms. Nemastil and Mr. Witt pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.

On a motion by Ms. Turner with a second by Mr. Miller Resolution No. R2023-0365 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda with a recommendation for passage under second reading suspension of the rules.

- n) R2023-0366: A Resolution making an award on RQ12168 to The James B. Oswald Company in the amount not-to-exceed \$700,000.00 for professional employee benefits consultant services for the period 1/1/2024 – 12/31/2026; authorizing the County Executive to execute Contract No. 3943 and all other documents consistent with said award and this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this resolution become immediately effective.

Ms. Sarah Nemastil, Director, Department of Human Resources and Mr. Stephen Witt, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2023-0366. Discussion ensued.

Councilmembers asked questions of Ms. Nemastil and Mr. Witt pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.

R2023-0366 will be referred to the next Human Resources, Appointments and Equity Committee meeting.

5. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

- a) R2023-0369: A Resolution awarding a Community Development Grant in a total amount not to exceed \$600,000.00, to the City of Fairview Park for the purchase of real property located at 21125-21139 Lorain Road in the City of Fairview Park; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Mr. Trevor McAleer, Legislative Budget Advisor, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2023-0369. Discussion ensued.

Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. McAleer pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.

Resolution R2023-0369 will be introduced at the December 5 Council meeting and Council President Jones will refer the item to the Community Development Committee.

- b) R2023-0371: A Resolution declaring that public convenience and welfare requires the resurfacing of Bagley Road from Front Street to Lindbergh Boulevard in the City of Berea in connection with the 2024 – 2027 Transportation Improvement Program; total estimated project cost \$4,736,111.00; finding that special assessments will neither be levied nor collected to pay for any part of the County’s costs of said improvement; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Ms. Nichole English, Department of Public Works, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2023-0371. Discussion ensued.

Councilmembers asked questions of Ms. English pertaining to the item, which she answered accordingly.

Resolution R2023-0371 will be introduced at the December 5 Council meeting with a recommendation for passage under first reading suspension of the rules.

- c) R2023-0372: A Resolution authorizing an Economic Development Loan in an amount not-to-exceed \$700,000.00 to Neighborhood Health Care, Inc. dba Neighborhood Family Practice for the renovation of 13027 Lorian Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio to provide various medical, dental and pharmacy services to people of all ages, regardless of their ability to pay; authorizing the County Executive and/or the Director of Development to execute all documents

consistent with said loan and this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Mr. Anthony Stella, Department of Economic Development, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2023-0372. Discussion ensued.

Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. Stella pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.

Resolution R2023-0373 will be introduced at the December 5 Council meeting with a recommendation for passage under first reading suspension of the rules.

- d) R2023-0373: A Resolution authorizing an agreement with City of Euclid in the amount not-to-exceed \$839,744.00 for tenant-based rental assistance services in connection with the American Rescue Plan for HOME Investment Partnerships Program for the period 10/1/2023 – 9/30/2025; authorizing the County Executive to execute Agreement No. 3809 and all other documents consistent with this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Mr. Prentis Jackson, Senior Development Housing Specialist, Department of Housing and Community Development, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2023-0373. Discussion ensued.

Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. Jackson pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.

Resolution R2023-0373 will be introduced at the December 5 Council meeting with a recommendation for passage under first reading suspension of the rules.

- e) R2023-0374: A Resolution authorizing an amendment to Contract No. 3977 (fka Contract No. 868) with Microsoft Corporation for Microsoft Premier training and support services for the period of 11/1/2017 – 12/5/2023 to extend the time period to 12/4/2024 and for additional funds in the amount not-to-exceed \$860,036.00; authorizing the County Executive to execute the amendment and all other documents consistent with this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Mr. Matthew Hrubey, Department of Public Works, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2023-0374. Discussion ensued.

Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. Hrubey pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.

Resolution R2023-0374 will be introduced at the December 5 Council meeting with a recommendation for passage under first reading suspension of the rules.

- f) R2023-0375: A Resolution making an award on RQ12674 with Integrated Precision Systems, Inc. in the amount not-to-exceed \$2,405,368.00 for security monitoring and maintenance services on alarm systems in various County buildings for the period 1/1/2024 – 12/31/2026; authorizing the County Executive to execute Contract No. 3609 and all other documents consistent with said award and this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Mr. Roger Mook, Protective Services Administration, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2023-0375. Discussion ensued.

Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. Mook pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.

Resolution R2023-0375 will be introduced at the December 5 Council meeting with a recommendation for passage under first reading suspension of the rules.

- g) R2023-0376: A Resolution authorizing an amendment to Contract No. 1703 (fka Contract No. 472) with Alcohol, Drug Addiction and Mental Health Services Board for the Mental Health and Substance Abuse/Addiction Diversion Center for the period 12/8/2020 – 12/31/2023, to expand the scope of services, effective upon contract signature of all parties, to extend the time period to 12/31/2024 and for additional funds in the amount not to-to-exceed \$5,775,268.43; authorizing the County Executive to execute the amendment and all other documents consistent with this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Ms. Brandy Carney, Director of Public Safety & Justice Services, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2023-0376. Discussion ensued.

Councilmembers asked questions of Ms. Carney pertaining to the item, which she answered accordingly.

Resolution R2023-0376 will be introduced at the December 5 Council meeting with a recommendation for passage under first reading suspension of the rules.

- i) R2023-0314: A Resolution adopting various changes to the Cuyahoga County Non-Bargaining Classification Plan A-C; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Mr. Albert Bouchahine, Personnel Review Commission, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2023-0314. Discussion ensued.

Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. Bouchahine pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.

Resolution R2023-0314 will be discharged from committee review at the December 5 Council meeting with a recommendation for passage under second reading suspension of the rules.

- j) R2023-0315: A Resolution adopting various changes to the Cuyahoga County Non-Bargaining Classification Plan A-N; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Mr. Albert Bouchahine, Personnel Review Commission, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2023-0315. Discussion ensued.

Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. Bouchahine pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.

Resolution R2023-0315 will be discharged from committee review at the December 5 Council meeting with a recommendation for passage under second reading suspension of the rules.

- k) R2023-0319: A Resolution confirming the County Executive's appointment of Tanisha Warren to represent Cuyahoga County on the Child Abuse and Child Neglect Regional Prevention Council for the Great Lakes Region for the term 1/24/2024 – 1/23/2026; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Ms. Zoe Toscos, Special Projects Manager, Office of the County Executive, presented the item.

Ms. Tanisha Warren addressed the Committee regarding her nomination to serve on the Child Abuse and Child Neglect Regional Prevention Council for the Great Lakes Region. Discussion ensued.

Committee members asked questions of Ms. Warren pertaining to her experience, expertise and qualifications, which she answered accordingly.

Committee members asked questions regarding the term of the appointment. Discussion ensued.

Ms. Stephanie Pennza, Community Outreach Coordinator for University Hospital, Rainbow Injury Prevention Center, and Mr. Joseph Nanni, Council Chief of Staff, addressed the Committee regarding the term. Discussion ensued.

A proposed substitute to amend the term for Resolution R2023-0319 will be introduced at the December 5 Council meeting. The item will also be discharged from committee review with a recommendation for passage under second reading suspension of the rules.

- l) R2023-0324: A Resolution making an award on RQ12552 to Moore Counseling and Mediation Services, Inc. in the amount not-to-exceed \$590,850.00 for Employee Assistance Program services for the period 1/1/2024 – 12/31/2026; authorizing the County Executive to execute

Contract No. 3871 and all other documents consistent with said award and this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

6. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

There was no miscellaneous business.

7. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Council President Jones adjourned the meeting at 4:23 p.m., without objection.