



MINUTES

CUYAHOGA COUNTY COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

TUESDAY, JUNE 18, 2024

CUYAHOGA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS

C. ELLEN CONNALLY COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 4TH FLOOR

2:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

Council President Jones called the meeting to order at 2:04 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Council President Jones asked Clerk Richardson to call the roll. Councilmembers Gallagher, Schron, Conwell, Turner, Kelly, Miller and Jones were in attendance and a quorum was determined. Councilmembers Stephens and Simon joined the meeting after the roll call was taken. Councilmembers Sweeney and Byrne were absent.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

The following individuals addressed Council regarding Ordinance No. O2024-0005: An Ordinance amending Chapter 501 of the Cuyahoga County Code; and declaring the necessity that this Ordinance become immediately effective:

- a) Craig Dorn, Youth Opportunities Unlimited**
- b) Elaine Gimmel, Executive Director, Emerald Development & Economic Network, Inc.**
- c) Dave Wondolowski, Cleveland Building Trades Council**
- d) Glen Shumate, Construction Employers Association and Contracts Assistance Association**

The following individuals addressed Council regarding Resolution No. R2024-0208: A Resolution urging the Cuyahoga County Executive and the County Treasurer to immediately cease any additional County investment in bonds and other sovereign debt issued by the Nation of Israel; and urging the Investment Advisory Committee to amend the County's Investment Policy to prohibit future investments in any foreign securities:

- e) Jason Wuliger, Jewish Federation of Cleveland**
- f) Amy Kaplan, Jewish Federation of Cleveland**

g) Attorney Adam Rosin

4. ITEMS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

- a) R2024-0203: A Resolution authorizing the issuance and sale of County of Cuyahoga, Ohio Economic Development Revenue Bonds, Series 2024A (Rock and Roll Hall of Fame Expansion Project) in a principal amount not to exceed \$50,000,000; providing for the pledge of Nontax Revenues of the County for the payment of such bonds; authorizing the execution of various documents required in connection with said bond issuance, including an amendment to the Agreement related to 2020 County Bed Tax Increase, and authorizing and approving related matters; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Clerk Richardson read Resolution No. R2024-0203 into the record.

Council President Jones introduced a proposed substitute to Resolution No. R2024-0203.

Mr. Gregory Huth, Assistant Law Director and Senior Counsel, addressed Council regarding Resolution No. R2024-0203. Discussion ensued.

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

A motion was then made by Mr. Schron, seconded by Ms. Turner and approved by unanimous vote to accept the proposed substitute.

Mr. Michael Chambers, Fiscal Officer addressed Council regarding Resolution No. R2024-0203. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Tim Offtermatt, Construction Project Executive for the Cleveland Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, provided a presentation regarding the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame Museum Expansion Project. Discussion ensued.

Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. Chambers and Mr. Offtermatt, pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.

On a motion by Ms. Simon with a second by Ms. Conwell, Resolution No. R2024-0203 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda for second reading, as substituted.

- b) O2024-0005: An Ordinance amending Chapter 501 of the Cuyahoga County Code; and declaring the necessity that this Ordinance become immediately effective.

Council President Jones stated that the Committee will not be voting on this item today, this will be an introductory conversation for Ordinance No. O2024-0005.

Ms. Katherine Gallagher, Chief of Operations and Community Innovation for the Office of the County Executive, Mr. Paul Porter, Director of the Department of Purchasing and Ms. Mary Beth Vaughn, Manager of Business Services, Department of Public Safety & Justice Services, addressed Council regarding Ordinance No. O2024-0005. Discussion ensued.

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

There was no legislative action taken on Ordinance No. O2024-0005.

5. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a) Collective bargaining matters, including:
 - i) a Collective Bargaining Agreement between Cuyahoga County and The International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 18-S, representing approximately 18 employees in 5 classifications from the Cuyahoga County Department of Public Works for the period 5/1/2024 – 4/30/2027;
- b) Pending or imminent court action

Executive Session was called to order by Council President Jones at 3:41 p.m. Council President Jones asked Clerk Richardson to call the roll to go into Executive Session. A motion was made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Ms. Turner and approved by unanimous roll-call vote to move to Executive Session for the purposes of discussing a collective bargaining matter and pending or imminent court action and for no other purpose whatsoever.

The following Councilmembers were present: Gallagher, Schron, Conwell, Turner, Stephens, Simon, Kelly, Miller and Jones.

The following additional attendees were present: Law Director Rick Manoloff; Deputy Chief Law Director Nora Hurley; Ryan Geary, Assistant Law Director; Assistant Division Civil Chief Dave Lambert; Public Works Director Michael Dever; County Prosecutor Michael O'Malley; Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Brendan Healy; Jake Elliot, Prosecutor's Office; Aaron Reece, Sheriff's Department; Nestor Rivera, Deputy Sheriff Major; Employee and Labor Relations Specialist Brian Adams; Chief of Staff Joseph Nanni; Legislative Budget Advisor Trevor McAleer and Special Counsel Michael King.

At 4:47 p.m., Executive Session was adjourned without objection and Council President Jones then reconvened the meeting.

6. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

There was no miscellaneous business.

7. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Council President Jones adjourned the meeting at 4:47 p.m., without objection.