

MINUTES

CUYAHOGA COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2023
CUYAHOGA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS
C. ELLEN CONNALLY COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 4TH FLOOR
10:00 AM

CALL TO ORDER

Chairwoman Stephens called the meeting to order at 10:07 a.m.

1. ROLL CALL

Ms. Stephens asked Assistant Deputy Clerk Georgakopoulos to call the roll. Committee members Stephens, Jones, Gallagher and Kelly were in attendance and a quorum was determined. Committee member Simon was absent. Councilmembers Conwell and Turner were also in attendance.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments given.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE SEPTEMBER 18, 2023 MEETING

A motion was made by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Kelly, and approved by unanimous vote to approve the minutes from the September 18, 2023 meeting.

- 4. MATTERS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE
 - a) R2023-0257: A Resolution awarding a total sum, not to exceed \$100,000, to Providence House for the Providence House East Side Community Services Hub from the District 7 ARPA Community Grant Fund; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Ms. Natalie Leek, President and Chief Executive Officer of Providence House, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2023-0257. Discussion ensued.

Committee members and the Councilmembers asked questions of Ms. Leek pertaining to the item, which she answered accordingly.

On a motion by Ms. Stephens with a second by Mr. Jones, Resolution No. R2023-0257 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda for second reading.

b) R2023-0258: A Resolution awarding a total sum, not to exceed \$25,000, to the Greater Cleveland Habitat for Humanity, Inc. for the Cleveland Habitat Headquarters Building Acquisition Project from the District 7 ARPA Community Grant Fund; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Mr. Trevor McAleer, Legislative Budget Advisor for County Council, introduced a proposed substitute to Resolution No. R2023-0258. Discussion ensued.

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

Mr. John Litten, President and Chief Executive Officer and Mr. Bob Whitney, Neighborhood Planning Manager of the Greater Cleveland Habitat for Humanity, Inc., addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2023-0258. Discussion ensued.

Committee members and the Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. Litten and Mr. Whitney pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.

On a motion by Ms. Stephens with a second by Mr. Gallagher, Resolution No. R2023-0258 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda for second reading, as substituted.

c) R2023-0260: A Resolution awarding a total sum, not to exceed \$500,000, to the Famicos Foundation for the Glenville Housing Preservation Project from the District 7 ARPA Community Grant Fund; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Mr. John Anoliefo, Executive Director and Mr. Khalid Hawthorne, Real Estate Development Director of the Famicos Foundation, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2023-0260. Discussion ensued.

Committee members and the Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. Anoliefo and Mr. Hawthorne pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.

On a motion by Mr. Gallagher with a second by Mr. Jones, Resolution No. R2023-0260 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda for second reading.

d) R2023-0261: A Resolution awarding a total sum, not to exceed \$10,000, to the Lee Road Baptist Church for the Harvard Family Institute Program from the District 9 ARPA Community Grant Fund; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Mr. James Quincy, Pastor of the Lee Road Baptist Church, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2023-0261. Discussion ensued.

Committee members and the Councilmembers asked questions of Pastor Quincy pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.

On a motion by Mr. Jones with a second by Mr. Kelly, Resolution No. R2023-0261 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda for second reading.

5. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

There was no miscellaneous business.

6. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Chairwoman Stephens adjourned the meeting at 11:17 a.m., without objection.