



CUYAHOGA COUNTY COUNCIL

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

CUYAHOGA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS

4th FLOOR

MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY, MAY 18, 2026 — 1:00 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Council President Miller called the meeting to order at 1:04 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Council President Miller asked Clerk Richardson to call the roll. Councilmembers Conwell, Houser, Turner, Kelly, Sweeney, Casselberry, Gallagher, Schleper, and Miller were in attendance and a quorum was determined. Councilmembers Jones and Simon were in attendance after the roll call was taken.

[Clerk's Note: Councilmember Jones joined the meeting after the roll call was taken.]

[Clerk's Note: Councilmember Simon entered the meeting after the roll-call was taken to move to Executive Session.]

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments given.

A motion was made by Mr. Sweeney, seconded by Ms. Conwell and approved by unanimous vote to amend the agenda and to consider Item No. 4a) after Item No. 6a).

Council President Miller then turned the gavel over to Ms. Turner, Chair of the Finance & Budgeting Committee.

4. MATTER REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

- a) R2026-0146: A Resolution approving a Courthouse Capital Funding Agreement with the Cuyahoga County Court of Common Pleas, General Division ("Court") regarding remodeling, renovating, rehabilitating, furnishing, equipping and otherwise improving the facilities of the Court, with related site improvements and appurtenances thereto; ratifying the County Executive's execution of said agreement and further authorizing execution of any related documents not inconsistent with this Resolution; authorizing designation of the Common Pleas Court General Division Capital Improvement Account within the Justice Center Capital Projects Fund and the transfer of funds to said account for payment of the amounts set forth

in said agreement; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Ms. Turner turned the gavel back over to Council President Miller.

A motion was made by Ms. Simon, seconded by Mr. Sweeney and approved by unanimous vote to refer Resolution No. R2026-0146 to the full Council agenda with a recommendation for passage under second reading suspension of the rules.

5. PRESENTATIONS/DISCUSSION

- a) 2026 First Quarter Update – Walter Parfejewiec, Director, Office of Budget & Management
- b) R2026-0115: A Resolution adopting the Annual Alternative Tax Budget for the year 2027, and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Mr. Walter Parfejewiec, Director of the Office of Budget & Management, provided Council with an update on the County's first quarter budget and discussed Resolution No. R2026-0115. Discussion ensued.

Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. Parfejewiec pertaining to the items, which he answered accordingly.

6. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a) Pending or imminent court action

A motion was made by Mr. Sweeney, seconded by Mr. Casselberry and approved by unanimous roll-call vote to move to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing pending or imminent court action and for no other purpose whatsoever. Executive Session was then called to order by Council President Miller at 1:45 p.m.

The following Councilmembers were present: Conwell, Jones, Turner, Houser, Kelly, Sweeney, Casselberry, Gallagher, Schleper, Conwell and Miller.

[Clerk's Note: Councilmember Simon joined the meeting during Executive Session.]

The following additional attendees were present: Law Director Rick Manoloff; Senior Counsel Gregory Huth; Public Works Director Michael Dever; Matthew Rymer, Maintenance Administrator; Chief of Staff Joseph Nanni; Special Counsel Michael King; Legislative Budget Advisor Trevor McAleer and Research and Policy Analyst Laura Black.

At 3:13 p.m., Executive Session was adjourned without objection and Council President Miller then reconvened the meeting.

7. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

There was no miscellaneous business.

8. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Council President Miller adjourned the meeting at 3:15 p.m., without objection.