



MINUTES

CUYAHOGA COUNTY FINANCE & BUDGETING COMMITTEE MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2023
CUYAHOGA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS
C. ELLEN CONNALLY COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 4TH FLOOR
1:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Miller called the meeting to order at 1:09 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Mr. Miller asked Assistant Deputy Clerk Georgakopoulos to call the roll. Committee members Miller, Tuma, Jones, Gallagher, Schron and Kelly were in attendance and a quorum was determined. Committee member Turner entered the meeting after the roll call was taken. Councilmember Simon was also in attendance.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments given.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE JULY 10, 2023 MEETING

A motion was made by Mr. Schron, seconded by Mr. Tuma and approved by unanimous vote to approve the minutes from the July 10, 2023 meeting.

Mr. Miller announced that the biennial budget process begins next week and will run through the first week in December. The budget will be introduced at the County Council meeting on October 10th and the first budget session will be October 11th, where the Director of the Office of Budget & Management will give an overall budget presentation. Mr. Miller said that the budget books will be available by the end of the week and asked his colleagues to review and prepare questions in advance of the hearings, which will be heard in the Committee of the Whole and encouraged strong attendance.

5. MATTERS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

- a) R2023-0237: A Resolution allocating capital funds in the total amount of \$311,691.95 in support of the Veterans Service Commission of Cuyahoga County's headquarters project funded from the Veterans

Services Fund in 2022; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Mr. Trevor McAleer, Legislative Budget Advisor for County Council; and Mr. Matthew Rymer, Facilities Design & Maintenance Administrator for the Department of Public Works, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2023-0237. Discussion ensued.

Committee members and Councilmembers asked questions of Messrs. McAleer and Rymer pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.

On a motion by Mr. Kelly with a second by Ms. Turner, Resolution No. R2023-0237 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda for second reading.

6. DISCUSSION

a) Item K from R2023-0238:

K. 1100 – General Fund	BA2321323
EX100100 – County Executive	
Personal Services	\$531,537.00
Other Expenses	\$43,000.00

The County Executive requests an appropriation increase of \$574,537 for personnel and other operating expenditures through the remainder of 2023. The funding source is the General Fund.

Ms. Katherine Gallagher, Chief of Operations & Community Innovation for the Executive’s Office; and Mr. Walter Parfejewiec, Director of the Office of Budget and Management, addressed the Committee regarding Item K from Resolution No. R2023-0238, requesting an appropriation increase of \$574,537.00 to cover various expenses for the County Executive’s Office. Discussion ensued.

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

7. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

There was no miscellaneous business.

8. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Chairman Miller adjourned the meeting at 1:56 p.m., without objection.