

MINUTES

CUYAHOGA COUNTY HEALTH, HUMAN SERVICES & AGING
COMMITTEE MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26, 2024
CUYAHOGA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS
C. ELLEN CONNALLY COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 4TH FLOOR
1:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairwoman Conwell called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Ms. Conwell asked Assistant Deputy Clerk Georgakopoulos to call the roll. Committee members Conwell, Sweeney, Turner and Miller were in attendance and a quorum was determined. Committee member Stephens was absent.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Loh addressed the committee members regarding funding for critical health and human services programs.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE JUNE 12, 2024 MEETING

A motion was made by Ms. Conwell, seconded by Mr. Miller and approved by unanimous vote to approve the minutes from the June 12, 2024 meeting.

MATTERS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

a) R2024-0245: A Resolution authorizing a sole source contract with Enterprise Community Partners, Inc. in the amount not-to-exceed \$770,000.00 for direct client services assisting low-income families with free tax preparation, financial counseling, legal advocacy, outreach and education services for the period 7/1/2024 – 6/30/2026; authorizing the County Executive to execute Contract No. 4584 and all other documents consistent with said award and this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Mr. David Merriman, Director and Mr. Marcos Cortes, Administrator of the Division of Contracts and Performance for the Department of Health and Human Services; and Ms. Kathy Matthews, Program Director for Enterprise Community Partners, Inc., addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2024-0245. Discussion ensued.

Committee members asked questions of Mr. Merriman, Mr. Cortes and Ms. Matthews pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.

On a motion by Ms. Conwell with a second by Ms. Turner, Resolution No. R2024-0245 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.

Ms. Conwell, Ms. Turner, Mr. Sweeney and Mr. Miller requested to have their names added as co-sponsors to the legislation.

6. PRESENTATION

a) David Merriman, Director, Department of Health and Human Services, Pay for Success Program

The following individuals made a presentation to the committee and provided an overview of the innovative coaching and funding model to improve Ohio National Guard student outcomes for the Pay for Success Program:

- Mr. David Merriman, Director, Department of Health and Human Services
- Ms. Jessica Hector, Associate Vice President of Partner Success for Inside Track
- Ms. Dinah Zeiss, Strategic Partnership Director for Inside Track
- Ms. Caitlin Collins, Program Director for Inside Track
- Ms. Simon Gross, Managing Director for Maycomb Capital
- Mr. Anthony J. Lam, Retired Lieutenant Colonel for the Ohio Army National Guard, Transition Services Branch Chief
- Mr. Jerad Shank, Senior Director, Military and Apprenticeship Initiatives and Special Projects for The Ohio Department of Higher Education

Committee members asked questions of Mr. Merriman, Ms. Hector, Ms. Zeiss, Ms. Collins, Ms. Gross, Mr. Lam and Mr. Shank pertaining to the presentation, which they answered accordingly.

7. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

There was no miscellaneous business.

8. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Chairwoman Conwell adjourned the meeting at 2:05 p.m., without objection.