



## **MINUTES**

**CUYAHOGA COUNTY HUMAN RESOURCES, APPOINTMENTS & EQUITY  
COMMITTEE MEETING  
TUESDAY, JULY 23, 2024  
CUYAHOGA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS  
C. ELLEN CONNALLY COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 4<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR  
10:00 AM**

### **1. CALL TO ORDER**

**Vice Chairman Gallagher called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.**

### **2. ROLL CALL**

**Mr. Gallagher asked Assistant Deputy Clerk Georgakopoulos to call the roll. Committee members Gallagher, Miler, Conwell and Sweeney were in attendance and a quorum was determined. Committee Chair Turner was absent.**

### **3. PUBLIC COMMENT**

**The following individuals addressed the committee members regarding Ordinance O2024-0008, which was introduced at the July 16, 2024 Council meeting, to modify Section 12.09 of the Cuyahoga County Employee Handbook and provide a new Section 12.10, regarding a Remote Work Policy:**

- a) Alwyn Reid**
- b) Amgad Gabra**

### **4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE JULY 9, 2024 MEETING**

**A motion was made by Ms. Conwell, seconded by Mr. Sweeney and approved by unanimous vote to approve the minutes from the July 9, 2024 meeting.**

5. MATTERS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

**[Clerk's Note: Item No. 5.g) was taken out of order and considered before Item Nos. 5.a) through 5.f)]**

- a) R2024-0234: A Resolution confirming the County Executive's reappointment of Kieth A. Peppers to serve on the Cuyahoga County Archives Advisory Commission for the term 12/1/2023 – 11/30/2027, and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

**Mr. Chris Alvarado, Director of Regional Collaboration, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2024-0234. Discussion ensued.**

**Committee members asked questions of Mr. Alvarado pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.**

**Mr. Kieth A. Peppers addressed the Committee regarding his nomination to serve on the Cuyahoga County Archives Advisory Commission. Discussion ensued.**

**Committee members asked questions of Mr. Peppers pertaining to his experience, expertise and qualifications, which he answered accordingly. Discussion ensued.**

**On a motion by Mr. Miller with a second by Ms. Conwell, Resolution No. R2024-0234 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.**

- b) R2024-0259: A Resolution confirming the County Executive's reappointment of Reverend Benjamin F. Gohlstin, Sr. to serve on the Alcohol, Drug Addiction and Mental Health Services Board of Cuyahoga County for the term 7/1/2024 – 6/30/2028, and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

**Mr. Alvarado addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2024-0259. Discussion ensued.**

**Committee members asked questions of Mr. Alvarado pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.**

**Reverend Benjamin F. Gohlstin, Sr. addressed the Committee regarding his nomination to serve on the Alcohol, Drug Addiction and Mental Health Services Board of Cuyahoga County. Discussion ensued.**

**Committee members asked questions of Reverend Gohlstin, Sr. pertaining to his experience, expertise and qualifications, which he answered accordingly. Discussion ensued.**

**On a motion by Ms. Conwell with a second by Mr. Sweeney, Resolution No. R2024-0259 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.**

- c) R2024-0272: A Resolution confirming the County Executive's appointment of Melaak Rashid to serve on the Cuyahoga County Citizens' Advisory Council on Equity for an unexpired term ending 7/14/2026, and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

**Mr. Alvarado addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2024-0272. Discussion ensued.**

**Committee members asked questions of Mr. Alvarado pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.**

**Ms. Melaak Rashid addressed the Committee regarding her nomination to serve on the Cuyahoga County Citizens' Advisory Council on Equity. Discussion ensued.**

**Committee members asked questions of Ms. Rashid pertaining to her experience, expertise and qualifications, which she answered accordingly. Discussion ensued.**

**On a motion by Ms. Conwell with a second by Mr. Miller, Resolution No. R2024-0272 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, Mr. Sweeney and Mr. Miller requested to have their names added as co-sponsors to the legislation.**

- d) R2024-0273: A Resolution confirming the County Executive's appointment of LaRaun Clayton to serve on the Cuyahoga County Citizens' Advisory Council on Equity for the term 7/15/2024 – 7/14/2027, and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

**Mr. Alvarado addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2024-0273. Discussion ensued.**

**Committee members asked questions of Mr. Alvarado pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.**

**Mr. LaRaun Clayton addressed the Committee regarding his nomination to serve on the Cuyahoga County Citizens' Advisory Council on Equity. Discussion ensued.**

**Committee members asked questions of Mr. Clayton pertaining to his experience, expertise and qualifications, which he answered accordingly. Discussion ensued.**

**On a motion by Mr. Sweeney with a second by Mr. Miller, Resolution No. R2024-0273 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, Mr. Sweeney and Mr. Miller requested to have their names added as co-sponsors to the legislation.**

- e) R2024-0274: A Resolution confirming the County Executive's reappointment of Colleen Cotter to serve on the Cuyahoga County Citizens' Advisory Council on Equity for the term 7/15/2024 – 7/14/2027; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

**Mr. Alvarado addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2024-0274. Discussion ensued.**

**Committee members asked questions of Mr. Alvarado pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.**

**Ms. Colleen Cotter addressed the Committee regarding her nomination to serve on the Cuyahoga County Citizens' Advisory Council on Equity. Discussion ensued.**

**Committee members asked questions of Ms. Cotter pertaining to her experience, expertise and qualifications, which she answered accordingly. Discussion ensued.**

**On a motion by Ms. Conwell with a second by Mr. Sweeney, Resolution No. R2024-0274 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 and Mr. Miller requested to have their names added as co-sponsors to the legislation.**

- f) R2024-0275: A Resolution confirming the County Executive's reappointment of Dr. Charles Modlin to serve on the Cuyahoga County Citizens' Advisory Council on Equity for the term 7/15/2024 – 7/14/2027, and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

**Mr. Alvarado addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2024-0275. Discussion ensued.**

**Committee members asked questions of Mr. Alvarado pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.**

**Dr. Charles Modlin addressed the Committee regarding his nomination to serve on the Cuyahoga County Citizens' Advisory Council on Equity. Discussion ensued.**

**Committee members asked questions of Dr. Modlin pertaining to his experience, expertise and qualifications, which he answered accordingly. Discussion ensued.**

**On a motion by Mr. Gallagher with a second by Mr. Miller, Resolution No. R2024-0275 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 and Mr. Miller requested to have their names added as co-sponsors to the legislation.**

- g) R2024-0276: A Resolution confirming the County Executive's reappointment of David Wondolowski to serve on the Cleveland-Cuyahoga County Port Authority Board of Directors for the term 10/1/2024 – 9/30/2028, and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

**Mr. Alvarado addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2024-0276. Discussion ensued.**

**Committee members asked questions of Mr. Alvarado pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.**

**Mr. David Wondolowski addressed the Committee regarding his nomination to serve on the Cleveland-Cuyahoga County Port Authority Board of Directors. Discussion ensued.**

**Committee members asked questions of Mr. Wondolowski pertaining to his experience, expertise and qualifications, which he answered accordingly. Discussion ensued.**

**On a motion by Mr. Sweeney with a second by Ms. Conwell, Resolution No. R2024-0276 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.**

**Mr. Sweeney requested to have his name added as a co-sponsor to the legislation.**

**6. DISCUSSION**

- a) Various changes to the Cuyahoga County Non-Bargaining Classification Plan.

**Mr. Albert Bouchahine, Manager of Classification and Compensation for the Personnel Review Commission, addressed the Committee regarding various changes to the Cuyahoga County Non-Bargaining Classification Plan. Discussion ensued.**

**Committee members asked questions of Mr. Bouchahine pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.**

**There was no legislative action taken on the discussion item.**

**7. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS**

**There was no miscellaneous business.**

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

**Vice Chairman Gallagher adjourned the meeting at 11:02 a.m., without objection.**