



AGENDA
CUYAHOGA COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING
MONDAY, JANUARY 9, 2012
CUYAHOGA COUNTY JUSTICE CENTER
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 1ST FLOOR
3:00 PM

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. ROLL CALL**
- 3. PUBLIC COMMENT RELATED TO THE AGENDA**
- 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM DECEMBER 19, 2011 MEETING**
- 5. MATTERS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE**
 - a) O2011-0049: An Ordinance authorizing the County Executive to establish an Economic Development Fund for the purpose of investing in job growth and economic development in Cuyahoga County; and declaring the necessity that this Ordinance become immediately effective.
- 6. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS**
- 7. OTHER PUBLIC COMMENT**
- 8. ADJOURNMENT**

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MINUTES

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MONDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2011
CUYAHOGA COUNTY JUSTICE CENTER
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 1ST FLOOR
6:30 PM**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Schron at 6:38 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

The Clerk called the roll. Committee members Schron, Brady, Rogers, Connally and Germana were in attendance and a quorum was determined. Councilmembers Miller, Jones, Simon and Conwell were also in attendance.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT RELATED TO THE AGENDA

The following citizens addressed Council regarding issues of concern to them relating to Ordinance No. O2011-0049, an Ordinance establishing an Economic Development Fund:

- a) Mr. Dana Myers**
- b) Mr. Eric Johnson**
- c) Mr. John Dearborn**

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM DECEMBER 9, 2011 MEETING

A motion was made by Mr. Germana, seconded by Mr. Brady and approved by unanimous vote to approve the minutes of the December 9, 2011 meeting.

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in job growth and economic development in Cuyahoga County; and declaring the necessity that this Ordinance become immediately effective.

Mr. Larry Benders, Director of Development; Mr. Greg Zucca, Senior Development Analyst for the Department of Development; Ms. Laura Clark, Development Finance Analyst for the Department of Development and Mr. Nathan Kelly, Deputy Chief of Staff for Development, addressed the Committee regarding Ordinance No. O2011-0049. Discussion ensued.

Committee members asked questions of Mr. Benders, Mr. Zucca, Ms. Clark and Mr. Kelly pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.

Ordinance No. O2011-0049 was postponed from further consideration at this time.

6. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

There was no miscellaneous business.

7. OTHER PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

8. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned by Chairman Schron at 8:55 p.m., without objection.

County Council of Cuyahoga County, Ohio

Ordinance No. O2011-0049

Sponsored by: County Executive FitzGerald/Department of Development	An Ordinance authorizing the County Executive to establish an Economic Development Fund for the purpose of investing in job growth and economic development in Cuyahoga County; and declaring the necessity that this Ordinance become immediately effective.
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WHEREAS, Article VII, Section 7.01 of the Cuyahoga County Charter mandates that “the County shall develop and implement policies, programs and activities for the expansion and enhancement of economic activity in the County so as to create and preserve jobs and employment opportunities for and available to residents of the County;” and,

WHEREAS, the Cuyahoga County Economic Development Commission has proposed, and this Council has adopted, the Cuyahoga County Economic Development Plan in Ordinance No. O2011-0026; and,

WHEREAS, the County Executive/ Department of Development has proposed the establishment of a \$100,000,000.00 Economic Development Fund to invest in job growth and economic development in Cuyahoga County under the Economic Development Plan; and,

WHEREAS, the Economic Development Fund shall strive to meet the principal objectives of expanding the economic base in the county, including outcomes consistent with economic growth including job creation and improved quality of life; and,

WHEREAS, the County Executive/Department of Development has proposed that the Economic Development Fund should invest in specific programs for Workforce Development, Property Reutilization, Small Business Growth, and Large Scale Business Growth and Attraction; and,

WHEREAS, the Executive has proposed, and this Council concurs, that the Department of Development shall administer the Economic Development Fund in a manner that promotes inclusion of economically isolated populations, transparency for public accountability, and collaboration with existing economic development organizations as priorities for the department’s approach; and,

WHEREAS, it is necessary that this Ordinance become immediately effective in order that critical services provided by Cuyahoga County can continue and to provide for the usual, daily operation of a County agency.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CUYAHOGA COUNTY, OHIO:

SECTION 1. There is hereby created the Cuyahoga County Economic Development Fund, which shall be administered by the County Executive through the Department of Development.

SECTION 2. The Economic Development Fund shall undertake the following three priorities with the listed programs:

- a) Innovation development
 - 1) Micro Enterprise
 - 2) Pre-Seed Funding
 - 3) Next Stage Funding
 - 4) Innovation Match

- b) Commercial Property Reutilization
 - 1) Redevelopment and Modernization
 - 2) Site Expansion
 - 3) Redevelopment Ready

- c) Business Growth, Commercialization and Attraction
 - 1) Small Business Growth
 - 2) Incumbent Worker Training
 - 3) Accelerated Growth
 - 4) Large Scale Attraction

SECTION 3. The Department of Development shall make a report to the County Council detailing the operations, performance measures and changes to the Fund annually in concert with updates to the County's Five Year Economic Development Plan as required by the County Charter.

SECTION 4. It is necessary that this Ordinance become immediately effective in order to retain secured financing and project completion. Provided that this Ordinance receives the affirmative vote of eight members of Council, this Ordinance shall become immediately effective upon the signature of the County Executive.

SECTION 5. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of the Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that

resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Yeas:

Nays:

County Council President

Date

County Executive

Date

Clerk of Council

Date

First Reading/Referred to Committee: October 25, 2011
Committee(s) Assigned: Economic Development & Planning

Second Reading/Referred to Committee: December 6, 2011
Committee(s) Assigned: Economic Development & Planning

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