



MINUTES

**CUYAHOGA COUNTY COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
TUESDAY, JANUARY 15, 2013
CUYAHOGA COUNTY JUSTICE CENTER
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 1ST FLOOR
5:00 PM**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Council President Connally at 5:04 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Council President Connally asked Clerk Schmotzer to call the roll. Councilmembers Gallagher, Schron, Conwell, Jones, Rogers, Greenspan, Miller, Brady, Germana and Connally were in attendance and a quorum was determined. Councilmember Simon was absent from the meeting.

A motion was made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Ms. Conwell and approved by unanimous vote to excuse Ms. Simon from the meeting.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT RELATED TO THE AGENDA

The following citizens addressed the Committee regarding issues of concern to them relating to Resolution No. R2012-0264, a Resolution making an award to Geis Property Management, LLC for the sale of the Ameritrust Complex and entry of a lease for a consolidated County headquarters at the site of the P & H Buildings:

- a) Ronald Nicklos, representing Nicklos & Company**
- b) Homer S. Taft, citizen**
- c) Arne F. Goldman, Optima Ventures, LLC/Marous Brothers Construction**
- d) Chaim Schochet, Optima Ventures, LLC**

4. ITEM REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

Ms. Connally read a statement to the public regarding the history of the County's contracting process and oversight by various boards and the Council as it relates to

Resolution No. R2012-0264. The Clerk then read Resolution No. R2012-0264 into the record.

- a) R2012-0264: A Resolution making awards on RQ24534 to Geis Property Management, LLC for sale of the Ameritrust Complex and entry of a lease for a consolidated County headquarters at the site of the P & H Buildings; authorizing the County Executive to execute all documents in connection with said awards and consistent with this Resolution; authorizing the Director of Public Works to administer said project; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Representatives of CBRE and URS provided a brief presentation regarding the project, including proposed design and costs. Discussion ensued. Ms. Bonnie Teeuwen, Director of Public Works, addressed the Committee regarding recommendations for the project. Discussion ensued. Committee members asked questions pertaining to the item, which were answered accordingly. Committee members also asked for additional information to be provided regarding the design and costs of the project.

On a motion by Ms. Conwell with a second by Mr. Germana, Resolution No. R2012-0264 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda for third reading.

5. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

There was no miscellaneous business.

6. OTHER PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

7. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 6:49 p.m., without objection.