

MINUTES
CUYAHOGA COUNTY COUNCIL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2011
CUYAHOGA COUNTY JUSTICE CENTER
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 1ST FLOOR
4:00 PM

CONFIRMATION HEARING FOR EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENT OF LAW DIRECTOR

1. CALL TO ORDER

Council President Connally called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

The Clerk called the roll. Councilmembers Jones, Connally, Greenspan, Miller, Brady, Germana, Gallagher, Schron and Conwell were in attendance with Councilmembers Simon and Rogers arriving later during the meeting. A quorum was determined.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Judge Ronald B. Adrine, Administrative and Presiding Judge of the Cleveland Municipal Court; Mr. Donald C. Williams, LPA; Judge Charles L. Patton, Cleveland Municipal Court; Judge Michael J. Ryan, Cleveland Municipal Court and Judge Emanuella Groves, Cleveland Municipal Court, offered testimony on behalf of Mr. Clifford.

4. CONFIRMATION HEARING FOR LAW DIRECTOR – Gregory Clifford

Mr. Gregory Clifford, nominee for the position of Director of Law, was called upon to deliver an opening statement. Mr. Clifford provided background into his education, experience and qualifications for the position. Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. Clifford pertaining to his experience and expertise, which he answered accordingly.

A motion was made by Mr. Miller and seconded by Ms. Conwell to refer the County Executive's nomination of Mr. Clifford as Law Director to the full Council for consideration of confirmation. Mr. Schron suggested that the motion be tabled until further information regarding Mr. Clifford's qualifications was received by Council. Discussion ensued. Mr. Miller then withdrew his motion.

5. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Jones and unanimously approved to continue the confirmation hearing for Mr. Clifford to Tuesday, February 22, 2011 at 4:00 p.m.

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:17 p.m., without objection.