



AGENDA
CUYAHOGA COUNTY ENVIRONMENT & SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING
FRIDAY, APRIL 20, 2012
CUYAHOGA COUNTY JUSTICE CENTER
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 1ST FLOOR
1:00 PM

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. ROLL CALL**
- 3. PUBLIC COMMENT RELATED TO THE AGENDA**
- 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE MARCH 27, 2012 MEETING**
- 5. MATTERS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE**
 - a) O2012-0007: An Ordinance establishing and providing for the administration of a Cuyahoga County Educational Assistance Program for County residents for the purposes of increasing the number of skilled workers into the County's workforce, encouraging completion of college degrees among County residents and enhancing economic development opportunities for the region; and declaring the necessity that this Ordinance become immediately effective.
- 6. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS**
- 7. OTHER PUBLIC COMMENT**
- 8. ADJOURNMENT**

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MINUTES

CUYAHOGA COUNTY ENVIRONMENT & SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING/ WORK SESSION

TUESDAY, MARCH 27, 2012
CUYAHOGA COUNTY JUSTICE CENTER
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 1ST FLOOR
3:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Rogers called the meeting to order at 3:09 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Assistant Deputy Clerk Thurman called the roll. Committee members Rogers, Simon and Germana were in attendance and a quorum was determined. Councilmembers Greenspan, Connally, Conwell, Miller and Jones were also in attendance.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT RELATED TO THE AGENDA

Ms. Corrine M. Webb, representing the Higher Education Compact, addressed the Committee regarding issues of concern to her relating to Ordinance No. O2012-0007, an Ordinance establishing and providing for the administration of a Cuyahoga County Educational Assistance Program for County residents.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE MARCH 23, 2012 MEETING

A motion was made by Mr. Germana, seconded by Mr. Rogers and approved by unanimous vote to approve the minutes from the March 23, 2012 meeting.

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Mr. David Reines, Director, and Mr. Frank Brickner, Business Services Manager for Workforce Development, addressed the Committee regarding Ordinance No. O2012-0007. Discussion ensued.

Committee members and Council members asked questions of Mr. Reines and Mr. Brickner pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.

Chairman Rogers postponed Ordinance No. O2012-0007 from further consideration at this time.

6. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

There was no miscellaneous business.

7. OTHER PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments were given.

8. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Chairman Rogers adjourned the meeting at 4:42 p.m., without objection.

County Council of Cuyahoga County, Ohio

Ordinance No. O2012-0007

<p>Sponsored by: Councilmembers Rogers, Miller, Connally, Conwell and Gallagher and County Executive FitzGerald</p>	<p>An Ordinance establishing and providing for the administration of a Cuyahoga County Educational Assistance Program for County residents for the purposes of increasing the number of skilled workers into the County’s workforce, encouraging completion of college degrees among County residents and enhancing economic development opportunities for the region; and declaring the necessity that this Ordinance become immediately effective.</p>
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WHEREAS, Article III, Section 3.09 (11) of the Cuyahoga County Charter authorizes the County Council to “establish and provide for the administration of a program to provide scholarships, loans, grants and other forms of financial assistance for the residents of the County that will enable them to participate in postsecondary education, including vocational education and job training and retraining;” and

WHEREAS, the County Executive has proposed to set aside and this Council has appropriated \$6,000,000 in the 2012-2013 General Fund Budget in anticipation of the creation of a County-wide educational assistance program; and

WHEREAS, a more educated workforce, connected to employers in need of trained workers, contributes to the economic vitality of a region; and

WHEREAS, the Cuyahoga County Educational Assistance Program shall strive to meet the principal objectives of expanding the economic base in the county through assisting in the development of a more educated workforce; and,

WHEREAS, Council desires to initiate the Cuyahoga County Educational Assistance Program by focusing on the vocational education, job training and retraining aspects of the program; and

WHEREAS, the Cleveland/Cuyahoga Workforce Development Department, through its Employment Connections Center, offer eligible county residents vocational, training and job retraining opportunities that focus on in-demand occupations and match skilled workers with employers; and

Clerk of Council

Date

First Reading/Referred to Committee: March 13, 2012
Committee(s) Assigned: Environment & Sustainability

Additional Sponsorship Requested: March 13, 2012

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