



MINUTES

**CUYAHOGA COUNTY FINANCE & BUDGETING COMMITTEE MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2012
CUYAHOGA COUNTY JUSTICE CENTER
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 1ST FLOOR
1:00 PM**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Miller called the meeting to order at 1:04 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Mr. Miller asked Assistant Deputy Clerk Thurman to call the roll. Committee members Miller, Greenspan, Gallagher, Germana, Jones and Simon were in attendance and a quorum was determined. Committee member Schron entered the meeting shortly after the roll call was taken. Councilmember Connally was also in attendance.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT RELATED TO THE AGENDA

The following citizens addressed the Committee regarding issues of concern to them relating to Resolution No. R2012-0218, a Resolution making awards on RQ24243 to various providers for debt collection services for the Cuyahoga County Clerk of Courts:

- a) Sara Donnersbach, Esq.**
- b) Ms. Linda Brinkworth**
- c) Ms. Rita Aldridge**

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE OCTOBER 1, 2012 MEETING

A motion was made by Mr. Greenspan, seconded by Mr. Germana and approved by unanimous vote to approve the minutes from the October 1, 2012 meeting.

5. MATTERS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

- a) R2012-0218: A Resolution making awards on RQ24243 to various providers for debt collection services for the Cuyahoga County Clerk of Courts for the period 11/1/2012 - 10/31/2014; authorizing the County Executive to execute the revenue generating agreements and all other documents consistent with said awards and this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective:
 - 1) NCO Financial Systems, Inc.
 - 2) Weltman, Weinberg & Reis Co., L.P.A.

Mr. Keith Hurley, Chief Deputy of the Clerk of Courts, and Mr. Trevor McAleer, Legislative Budget Advisor, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2012-0218. Discussion ensued.

Committee members and Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. Hurley and Mr. McAleer pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.

On a motion by Mr. Gallagher with a second by Mr. Jones, Resolution No. R2012-0218 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 rules.

6. DISCUSSION

- a) Report regarding County balance sheet items-Director Matthew Rubino

Mr. Wade Steen, Fiscal Officer, and Mr. Mark Parks, Acting Controller, addressed the Committee regarding the County's financial position and presented an overview of the balance sheet process. Discussion ensued.

Committee members and Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. Steen and Mr. Parks, pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.

- b) Update regarding 2013 budget preview-Director Matthew Rubino

Mr. Matthew Rubino, Director of the Office of Budget and Management, provided an update to the Committee regarding items that will be included in the 2013 budget submission to Council. Discussion ensued.

Committee members and Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. Rubino, pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.

7. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Mr. Miller announced that the Finance & Budgeting Committee meeting scheduled to take place on Monday, October 29, 2012 at 1:00 p.m. is rescheduled for Thursday, November 1, 2012 at 11:00 a.m.

Mr. Gallagher announced that a revised proposal regarding Ordinance No. O2012-0020, an Ordinance establishing the Cuyahoga County Based Business Preference Program, was distributed to Councilmembers and staff and will be discussed at the next Finance & Budgeting Committee meeting.

8. OTHER PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments were given.

9. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss and on a motion by Mr. Greenspan with a second by Mr. Schron, the meeting was adjourned at 2:57 p.m., without objection.