



MINUTES

**CUYAHOGA COUNTY FINANCE & BUDGETING COMMITTEE MEETING
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2012
CUYAHOGA COUNTY JUSTICE CENTER
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 1ST FLOOR
11:00 AM**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Miller called the meeting to order at 11:29 a.m.

2. ROLL CALL

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

3. PUBLIC COMMENT RELATED TO THE AGENDA

No public comments were given.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE OCTOBER 15, 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 15, 2012 meeting.

5. MATTERS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

- a) O2012-0020: An Ordinance establishing the Cuyahoga County Based Business Preference Program

Mr. Gallagher introduced a written amendment to Ordinance No. O2012-0020. Discussion ensued.

A motion was then made by Mr. Gallagher, seconded by Mr. Miller and approved by unanimous vote to amend Ordinance No. O2012-0020 as follows:

“SECTION 3. Match-Price Preference Option for Cuyahoga County Based Business: Unless otherwise prohibited by state, federal or local law, when the County has solicited bids, proposals, qualification statements or other contractual solicitations, and is determining the lowest price or the lowest evaluated price for purposes of awarding a purchase, agreement or a contract, and the lowest price or lowest evaluated price is submitted by a non-Cuyahoga County business, a Cuyahoga County Based Business whose bid is within two (2) percent of the lowest bid submitted by a non-Cuyahoga County Based Business bidder shall be given the option to match the lowest bid. The option to match shall remain open for five (5) business days.”

On a motion by Mr. Jones with a second by Ms. Simon, Ordinance No. O2012-0020 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda for second reading, as amended.

- b) R2012-0228: A Resolution amending the 2012/2013 Biennial Operating Budget for 2012 by providing for additional fiscal appropriations from the General Fund and other funding sources, for appropriation transfers between budget accounts, and for cash transfers between budgetary funds, in order to meet the budgetary needs of various County departments, offices and agencies related to year-end close-out activities; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Mr. Matthew Rubino, Director of the Office of Budget and Management, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2012-0228. Discussion ensued.

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

On a motion by Mr. Jones with a second by Ms. Simon, Resolution No. R2012-0228 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) Preview of 2013 budget update

Mr. Miller addressed the Committee regarding the objectives and schedule of the 2013 budget update. Discussion ensued.

- b) Preview of possible adjustment of inside millage tax rates-Director Matthew Rubino

Mr. Rubino addressed the Committee regarding adjusting the millage tax rates for the 2013 budget. Discussion ensued.

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

- c) Finance & Budgeting Committee meeting schedule

Mr. Miller addressed the Committee regarding the Finance & Budgeting Committee meeting schedule for the remainder of the year. Discussion ensued.

7. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

There was no miscellaneous business.

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. Germana, the meeting was adjourned at 12:28 p.m., without objection.