



MINUTES

**CUYAHOGA COUNTY RULES, CHARTER REVIEW, ETHICS & COUNCIL OPERATIONS
COMMITTEE MEETING**

TUESDAY, JUNE 28, 2011

CUYAHOGA COUNTY JUSTICE CENTER

COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 1ST FLOOR

1:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Greenspan called the meeting to order at 1:09 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

The Clerk called the roll. Committee members Greenspan, Miller and Simon were in attendance and a quorum was determined.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE JUNE 7, 2011 MEETING

A motion was made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Ms. Simon and approved by unanimous vote to approve the minutes of the June 7, 2011 meeting.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT RELATED TO THE AGENDA

There was no public comment.

5. OPEN ISSUES

There were no open issues.

6. NEW BUSINESS

a) Campaign Finance

Greg Coleridge, Cuyahoga County Transition Advisory Committee on Campaign Finance Reform, addressed the Committee regarding the study, "Campaign Finance Reform Recommendations to New Cuyahoga County Government."

Pat McDonald, Deputy Director, Board of Elections, and Don Scipione, Cuyahoga County Transition Advisory Committee on Campaign Finance Reform, addressed the Committee

regarding the potential for electronic, searchable campaign filing requirements. Discussion ensued.

Carla Rautenberg, Cuyahoga County Transition Advisory Committee on Campaign Finance Reform, and Mr. Coleridge addressed the Committee regarding campaign contribution limits and a potential public system of campaign financing. Discussion ensued.

b) Public Records Policy

Chair Greenspan made a motion, seconded by Ms. Simon and approved by unanimous vote to move this agenda item to Miscellaneous Business.

7. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Mr. Miller explained the proposed Open Meetings Policy (Ordinance No. O2011-0013). Discussion among the Committee members ensued.

A motion was made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Ms. Simon and approved by unanimous roll-call vote to substitute the current version of O2011-0013 with a new version. Chairman Greenspan explained that due to the absence of Committee members Connally and Brady, the substitute ordinance will be held for consideration until all members of the Committee are present.

Majeed Makhoulf, Law Director, addressed the Committee regarding legal issues regarding amendments to the proposed Open Meetings Policy. Discussion among the Committee ensued.

8. OTHER PUBLIC COMMENT

Subodh Chandra, Cuyahoga County Transition Advisory Committee on Campaign Finance Reform, addressed the Committee regarding campaign contribution limits and the importance of campaign finance reform to the general level of trust the public has for government and the elections process. Discussion ensued.

9. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, on a motion by Mr. Miller and seconded by Chairman Greenspan, the meeting was adjourned at 2:37 p.m., without objection.