



MINUTES

CUYAHOGA COUNTY HUMAN RESOURCES, APPOINTMENTS & EQUITY COMMITTEE MEETING

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 13, 2012
CUYAHOGA COUNTY JUSTICE CENTER
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 1ST FLOOR
11:30 AM**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairwoman Conwell at 11:30 a.m.

2. ROLL CALL

The Clerk called the roll. Committee members Conwell and Rogers were present and a quorum was determined. Mr. Gallagher was absent from the meeting. Councilmember Miller was also in attendance.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT RELATED TO THE AGENDA

The following citizens addressed the Committee regarding issues of concern to them regarding Ordinance No. O2011-0042:

- a) Joseph Jacoby**
- b) Rev. Allen V. Harris**
- c) Rev. Craig W. Hoffman**

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE JANUARY 5, 2012 MEETING

A motion was made by Mr. Rogers, seconded by Ms. Conwell and approved by unanimous vote to approve the minutes of the January 5, 2012 meeting.

5. MATTERS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

- a) O2011-0042: An Ordinance providing for adoption of a policy granting health benefits to domestic partners of County employees, and

declaring the necessity that this Ordinance become immediately effective.

Mr. Majeed Makhoulf, Director of Law; and Ms. Elisa Hara, Director of Human Resources, addressed the committee regarding Ordinance No. O2011-0042. Discussion ensued.

A motion was made by Mr. Rogers, seconded by Ms. Conwell and approved by unanimous vote to amend section 11B of Ordinance No. O2011-0042 to include as mandatory supporting documentation, a certificate of marriage or other evidence of a civil union from another state.

On a motion by Ms. Conwell with a second by Mr. Rogers, Ordinance No. O2011-0042 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the Human Resource Commission for review. Should the Human Resource Commission approve the legislation, Ordinance No. O2011-0042 will be referred to the full Council agenda for consideration. If the Human Resource Commission requires additional information, Ordinance No. O2011-0042 will be referred back to the Human Resources, Appointments & Equity Committee and to the Justice Affairs Committee.

- b) O2012-0001: An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. O2011-0016, as amended, which established the organizational structure of the Department of Law.

Mr. Makhoulf addressed the Committee regarding Ordinance No. O2012-0001. Discussion ensued.

Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. Makhoulf pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.

On a motion by Ms. Conwell with a second by Mr. Rogers, Ordinance No. O2012-0001 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda for consideration under second reading suspension of the rules at the January 24, 2012 Council meeting.

6. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

There was no miscellaneous business

7. OTHER PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment

8. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss and on a motion by Ms. Conwell with a second by Mr. Rogers, the meeting was adjourned at 11:40 a.m. without objection.