



MINUTES

CUYAHOGA COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY & JUSTICE AFFAIRS
COMMITTEE MEETING
TUESDAY, JULY 8, 2014
CUYAHOGA COUNTY JUSTICE CENTER
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 1ST FLOOR
1:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Gallagher called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Mr. Gallagher asked Ms. Culek to call the roll. Committee members Gallagher, Germana and Hairston were in attendance and a quorum was determined. Committee members Greenspan and Conwell entered the meeting shortly after the roll call was taken. Councilmembers Miller and Simon were also in attendance.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT RELATED TO THE AGENDA

Reverend Pamela Pinkney Butts addressed the Committee regarding issues of concern to her relating to Resolution Nos. R2014-0073, R2014-0019 and Ordinance No. O2013-0023.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE JUNE 17, 2014 MEETING

A motion was made by Mr. Germana, seconded by Mr. Hairston and approved by unanimous vote to approve the minutes of the June 17, 2014 meeting.

5. MATTERS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

- a) R2014-0073: A Resolution authorizing a revenue generating Underlying Agreement with City of Cleveland in the minimum amount of \$2,365,658.95 per annum for operation of jail services for City Prisoners,

effective 6/1/2014; authorizing a Lease in connection with said agreement in the amount not-to-exceed \$1.00 per annum for use of the City's Central Prison Unit located at 1300 Ontario Street, 6th Floor, Cleveland; authorizing the County Executive to execute the agreement and all other documents consistent with this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Mr. Gallagher addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2014-0073.

Mr. Norberto Colon, Deputy Chief of Staff for Justice, and Mr. Frank Bova, Sheriff, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2014-0073. Discussion ensued.

Committee members and Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. Colon and Sheriff Bova pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.

Mr. Hairston requested to have his name added as a co-sponsor to the legislation.

No further legislative action was taken on Resolution No. R2014-0073.

- b) O2014-0019: An Ordinance enacting Chapter 716 of the Cuyahoga County Code to establish procedures for setting the fee structure for Sheriff's Department background check services, and declaring the necessity that this Ordinance become immediately effective.

Sheriff Bova and Mr. Majeed Makhlof, Law Director, addressed the Committee regarding Ordinance No. O2014-0019. Discussion ensued.

Committee members and Councilmembers asked questions of Sheriff Bova and Mr. Makhlof pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.

Mr. Greenspan introduced a proposed substitute to Ordinance No. O2014-0019. Discussion ensued.

A motion was then made by Mr. Gallagher, seconded by Mr. Germana and approved by unanimous vote to accept the proposed substitute.

On a motion by Mr. Greenspan with a second by Mr. Germana, Ordinance No. O2014-0019 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda for second reading, as substituted.

Mr. Germana requested to have his name added as a co-sponsor to the legislation.

6. DISCUSSION

- a) O2013-0023: An Ordinance amending Chapter 701 of the Cuyahoga County Code by adding Section 701.05 to establish a policy for a more consistent approach to compensation including any pay rate adjustments, cost of living adjustments, and/or merit pay awards to all or a significant part of its non-bargaining employees as part of the biennial budget process or throughout the year.

Mr. John Russo, Administrative and Presiding Judge for the Common Pleas Court, and Mr. Makhlouf addressed the Committee regarding Ordinance No. O2013-0023. Discussion ensued.

Committee members and Councilmembers asked questions of Judge Russo and Mr. Makhlouf pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.

- b) Update regarding Fire Damper Inspection Program

Mr. Andrew Conti, Facilities Maintenance Administrator for the Department of Public Works, addressed the Committee regarding the Fire Damper Inspection Program. Discussion ensued.

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

Mr. Colon addressed the Committee regarding the Fire Damper Inspection Program as it relates to the Cleveland City Jail Consolidation. Discussion ensued.

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

7. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Mr. Gallagher announced that the Public Safety & Justice Affairs Committee will not meet on July 22, 2014 and that the next meeting will be held in August.

Additionally, Mr. Greenspan asked a question to Mr. Colon regarding a delay in the ReadyNotify System. Mr. Colon answered accordingly.

8. OTHER PUBLIC COMMENT

Reverend Pamela Pinkney Butts addressed the Committee regarding issues of concern to her relating to gun violence.

9. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Chairman Gallagher adjourned the meeting at 2:34 p.m., without objection.