

MINUTES

CUYAHOGA COUNTY COUNCIL OPERATIONS & INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2016 CUYAHOGA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS C. ELLEN CONNALLY COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 4TH FLOOR 3:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Miller called the meeting to order at 3:01 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Mr. Miller asked Assistant Deputy Clerk Culek to call the roll. Committee members Miller, Germana and Greenspan were in attendance and a quorum was determined. Committee members Simon and Brady were absent from the meeting. Councilmember Conwell was also in attendance.

A motion was made by Mr. Germana, seconded by Mr. Greenspan and approved by unanimous vote to excuse Ms. Simon from the meeting.

A motion was then made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Germana and approved by unanimous vote to excuse Mr. Brady from the meeting.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT RELATED TO THE AGENDA

No public comments were given.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE MAY 31, 2016 MEETING

A motion was made by Mr. Greenspan, seconded by Mr. Germana and approved by unanimous vote to approve the minutes of the May 31, 2016 meeting.

- 5. MATTERS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE
 - a) None

No matters were referred to Committee.

- 6. PRESENTATION
 - a) Agency of Inspector General Semiannual Report

Mr. Mark Griffin, Inspector General, provided an overview and report of activities from the Agency of Inspector General relating to the Semiannual Report including ethics compliance, contractor registrations and background checks, debarment matters, investigations, the budget and goals for the second half of 2016. Discussion ensued.

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

b) Update from state lobbying representatives

Mr. Robert Zimmerman, Partner at Benesch Friedlander Coplan & Aronoff LLP and Ms. Rachel Winder, Government Relations Manager for Benesch Friedlander Coplan & Aronoff LLP, addressed the Committee regarding their advocacy efforts on behalf of Cuyahoga County at the Ohio Statehouse including new accomplishments, new laws, pending state issues of interest, potential lame duck activity and future issues of interest. Discussion ensued.

Committee members and Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. Zimmerman and Ms. Winder pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.

7. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Mr. Miller announced that Mr. Zimmerman and Ms. Winder will be invited to a Council Operations & Intergovernmental Relations Committee meeting early next year to present another update regarding their state advocacy efforts.

8. OTHER PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments were given.

9. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss and on a motion by Mr. Germana with a second by Mr. Miller, the meeting was adjourned at 4:28 p.m., without objection.