

MINUTES CUYAHOGA COUNTY COUNCIL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING THURSDAY, JULY 19, 2018 CUYAHOGA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS C. ELLEN CONNALLY COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 4TH FLOOR 1:30 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

Council President Brady called the meeting to order at 1:34 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Council President Brady asked Clerk Schmotzer to call the roll. Councilmembers Simon, Baker, Miller, Tuma, Gallagher, Conwell, Jones, Brown, Houser and Brady were in attendance and a quorum was determined. Councilmember Schron entered the meeting after the roll-call was taken.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

The following citizens addressed Council regarding Ordinance No. O2018-0009, an Ordinance enacting Chapter 206.13: Commission on Human Rights and Title 15: Anti-Discrimination to ensure equal opportunity and treatment for all citizens of Cuyahoga County:

- a) Mr. David Forte
- b) Mr. Kevin Burke
- c) Ms. Dianna Hill
- d) Ms. Kris Keniray
- e) Ms. Susan Becker
- f) Ms. Molly Whitehorn
- g) Ms. Alana Jochum
- h) Ms. Loh

4. ITEM REFERRED TO COMMITTEE:

a) <u>O2018-0009</u>: An Ordinance enacting Chapter 206.13: Commission on Human Rights and Title 15: Anti-Discrimination to ensure equal opportunity and treatment for all citizens of Cuyahoga County.

The Honorable Nickie J. Antonio, Representative for Ohio House District 13, addressed the Committee regarding Ordinance No. O2018-0009. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Michael King, Special Counsel; Ms. Gwen Stembridge, Northeast Ohio Coordinator for Equality Ohio; Ms. Alana Jochum, Executive Director of Equality Ohio; and Ms. Awatef Assad, Assistant Law Director, addressed Council regarding Ordinance No. 02018-0009. Discussion ensued.

Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. King, Ms. Stembridge, Ms. Jochum and Ms. Assad pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.

No further legislative action was taken on Ordinance No. O2018-0009.

5. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Council President Brady announced that the Committee of the Whole will meet on Tuesday, July 24th, to continue discussions on Ordinance No. O2018-0009.

Councilmember Miller then discussed a proposed amendment to Ordinance No. O2018-0009 and asked Councilmembers to review it prior to the Committee of the Whole meeting on July 24th.

6. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Council President Brady adjourned the meeting at 3:14 p.m., without objection.