



MINUTES  
CUYAHOGA COUNTY HEALTH, HUMAN SERVICES & AGING  
COMMITTEE MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2019  
CUYAHOGA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS  
C. ELLEN CONNALLY COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 4<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR  
1:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

**Chairwoman Conwell called the meeting to order at 1:04 p.m.**

2. ROLL CALL

**Ms. Conwell asked Assistant Deputy Clerk Johnson to call the roll. Committee members Conwell, Jones and Miller were in attendance and a quorum was determined. Committee member Brown entered the meeting after the roll call was taken. Committee member Stephens was absent from the meeting.**

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

**There were no public comments given.**

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a) July 17, 2019
- b) July 17, 2019 Joint Committee Meeting

**A motion was made by Ms. Conwell, seconded by Mr. Jones and approved by unanimous vote to approve the minutes from the July 17, 2019 regular and joint Committee meetings.**

5. MATTERS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

- a) R2019-0176: A Resolution authorizing an amendment to a Master Contract, which includes Nos. CE1700245-01 - CE1700265-01, with various providers for various services for the Cuyahoga OPTIONS for Independent

Living Services Program for the period 1/1/2018 - 12/31/2019 to remove various providers and for additional funds in the total amount not-to-exceed \$609,026.00; authorizing the County Executive to execute the amendment and all other documents consistent with this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective:

- i. to remove various providers:
  - a. The Benjamin Rose Institute, effective 12/31/2018
  - b. Visiting Nurse Association Healthcare Partners of Ohio, effective 1/1/2019; and
  
- ii. for additional funds in the total amount not-to-exceed \$609,026.00:
  - a. A-1 Health Care, Inc.
  - b. ABC International Services, Inc.
  - c. Buckeye Homecare Services, Inc.
  - d. Casleo Corporation
  - e. Critical Signal Technologies, Inc.
  - f. Family & Community Services, Inc.
  - g. First Choice Medical Staffing, Inc.
  - h. Geocare Inc.
  - i. Home Care Relief Inc.
  - j. Priority Home Health Care, Inc.
  - k. Renaissance Home Health Care
  - l. Rose Centers for Aging Well, LLC
  - m. Rx Home Healthcare Inc.
  - n. Senior Transportation Connection
  - o. Solutions Premier Training Services
  - p. TOBI Transportation LLC
  - q. Transport Assistance, Inc.
  - r. U First Homecare Services, Inc.
  - s. Xcel Healthcare Providers Inc.

**Mr. Paul Porter, Program Officer with the Department of Health and Human Services and Ms. Tracey Mason, Administrator for the Department of Senior and Adult Services, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2019-0176. Discussion ensued.**

**Committee members asked questions of Mr. Porter and Ms. Mason pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.**

**On a motion by Mr. Miller with a second by Mr. Jones, Resolution No. R2019-0176 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda with a recommendation for passage under second reading suspension of the rules.**

- b) R2019-0209: A Resolution authorizing an agreement with Cuyahoga County Prosecutor's Office in the amount not-to-exceed \$2,748,203.00 for legal services for the period 1/1/2019 - 12/31/2019; 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. Porter and Ms. Michelle Myers, Supervisor with the Prosecutor's Office, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2019-0209. Discussion ensued.**

**Committee members asked questions of Mr. Porter and Ms. Myers pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.**

**On a motion by Ms. Conwell with a second by Ms. Brown, Resolution No. R2019-0209 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda with a recommendation for passage under second reading suspension of the rules.**

- c) R2019-0210: A Resolution authorizing a contract with United Way of Greater Cleveland in the amount not-to-exceed \$1,095,450.00 for fiscal agent services and emergency food assistance to eligible Cuyahoga County residents for the period 1/1/2020 - 12/31/2020; authorizing the County Executive to execute the contract and all other documents consistent with this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

**Ms. Julie Schaefer-Wisneski, Program Officer with the Department of Health and Human Services; Mr. Ben Miladin, Director of Health for the United Way of Greater Cleveland; Ms. Jennifer Scofield, Chief Executive Officer of the Hunger Network of Greater Cleveland; and Ms. Jessica Morgan, Vice President of Agency Programs and Services for the Greater Cleveland Food Bank, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2019-0210. Discussion ensued.**

**Committee members asked questions of Ms. Schaefer-Wisneski, Mr. Miladin, Ms. Scofield and Ms. Morgan pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.**

**On a motion by Ms. Conwell with a second by Mr. Jones, Resolution No. R2019-0210 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda for second reading.**

- d) R2019-0211: A Resolution authorizing an amendment to Contract No. CE1600299-01 with Oriana House, Inc. for operation of a one-stop Re-entry Resource Center for the period 1/1/2017 - 12/31/2019 to extend the time period to 12/31/2020 and for additional funds in the amount not-to-exceed \$600,000.00; authorizing the County Executive to execute the amendment and all other documents consistent with this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

**Ms. Schaefer-Wisneski and Mr. Porter addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2019-0211. Discussion ensued.**

**Committee members asked questions of Ms. Schaefer-Wisneski and Mr. Porter pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.**

**On a motion by Ms. Conwell with a second by Ms. Brown, Resolution No. R2019-0211 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda for second reading.**

## **6. PRESENTATION**

### **a) Project Metanoia**

**Ms. Megan Crow, Executive Director for the Metanoia Project; Mr. Jim Schlecht, Co-Founder of the Metanoia Project; Mr. Paul Sherlock, former President of the Metanoia Project; and Mr. David King, President of the Metanoia Project, provided the Committee with an overview of the history, services offered, population served, and funding needs of the program. Discussion ensued.**

**Committee members asked questions of Ms. Crow and Messrs. Schlecht, Sherlock and King pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.**

### **b) Senior Transportation Connection**

**Ms. Julie Rittenhouse, Chair of the Board of Directors for the Senior Transportation Connection; Ms. Janice Dzigiel, Executive Director of the Senior Transportation Connection; Ms. Mary Lightfoot, Customer of the Senior Transportation Connection, the Honorable Patrick Ward, Mayor of Lyndhurst; and the Honorable Kevin Kennedy, Mayor of North Olmsted, provided the Committee with an overview of the history, service area, customers served, services offered and funding needs. Discussion ensued.**

**Committee members asked questions of Ms. Rittenhouse, Ms. Dzigiel, Ms. Lightfoot, Mayor Ward and Mayor Kennedy pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.**

## **7. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS**

**There was no miscellaneous business.**

## **8. ADJOURNMENT**

**With no further business to discuss, Chairwoman Conwell adjourned the meeting at 2:47 p.m., without objection.**