



MINUTES

CUYAHOGA COUNTY FINANCE & BUDGETING COMMITTEE MEETING

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2019

CUYAHOGA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS

C. ELLEN CONNALLY COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 4TH FLOOR

1:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Miller called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Mr. Miller asked Assistant Deputy Clerk Johnson to call the roll. Committee members Miller, Tuma, Gallagher, Schron and Brown were in attendance and a quorum was determined. Committee member Baker entered the meeting after the roll call was taken. Committee member Simon was absent from the meeting. Council member Brady was also in attendance.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments given.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE OCTOBER 17, 2019 MEETING

A motion was made by Mr. Schron, seconded by Mr. Tuma and approved by unanimous vote to approve the minutes from the October 17, 2019 meeting.

5. MATTERS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

- a) O2019-0011: An Ordinance enacting Chapter 725 of the Cuyahoga County Code to establish an Opioid Mitigation Fund for the purpose of collecting and expending all funds received as part of any action related to the matter of In Re: National Prescription Opiate Litigation, United States District Court, Northern District of Ohio, Eastern Division, Case No. 1:2017-md-02804; and declaring the necessity that this Ordinance become immediately effective.

Mr. Trevor McAleer, Legislative Budget Advisor and Ms. Amy Himmelein, Controller, addressed the Committee regarding Ordinance No. O2019-0011. Discussion ensued.

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

Mr. Miller introduced a proposed substitute to Ordinance No. O2019-0011. Discussion ensued.

A motion was made by Mr. Schron, seconded by Mr. Tuma and approved by unanimous vote to accept the proposed substitute.

On a motion by Mr. Schron with a second by Mr. Tuma, Ordinance No. O2019-0011 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda under second reading, as substituted.

6. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

- a) Update on budget process

Councilman Miller provided the Committee with a brief update on the budget process and announced that the deadline for any departmental budget changes will be on Tuesday, November 5, 2019 at the close of business. He also advised the Committee that the next budget hearings will take place on Tuesday, November 12, 2019 at the Committee of the Whole meeting.

- b) Presentation by Juvenile Court regarding Biennial Budget

Ms. Terease Neff, Court Administrator for Juvenile Court; Mr. Jim Ginley, Fiscal Director for the Prosecutor's Office; Mr. Thomas Rehnert, Deputy Court Administrator for Detention with Juvenile Court, Ms. Margaret Keenan, Director of the Office of Budget and Management; and Mr. Mark Majer, Legal Counsel for Juvenile Court, addressed the Committee regarding budget requests for the Court. Discussion ensued.

Committee members and Councilmembers asked questions of Ms. Neff, Mr. Ginley, Mr. Rehnert, Ms. Keenan and Mr. Mark Majer pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.

7. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Chairman Miller adjourned the meeting at 2:05 p.m., without objection.