



## **MINUTES**

### **CUYAHOGA COUNTY HEALTH, HUMAN SERVICES & AGING COMMITTEE MEETING**

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20, 2021**

**CUYAHOGA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS**

**C. ELLEN CONNALLY COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 4<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR**

**1:30 PM**

#### **1. CALL TO ORDER**

**Chairwoman Conwell called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.**

#### **2. ROLL CALL**

**Ms. Conwell asked Assistant Deputy Clerk Johnson to call the roll. Committee members Conwell, Sweeney, Brown, Miller, and Stephens were in attendance and a quorum was determined.**

**[Clerk's Note: Chairwoman Conwell requested a moment of silence for the passing of the brother of Councilman Scott Tuma.]**

#### **3. PUBLIC COMMENT**

**There were no public comments given.**

#### **4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE DECEMBER 2, 2020 MEETING**

**A motion was made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Ms. Stephens, and approved by unanimous vote to approve the minutes from the December 2, 2020 meeting.**

#### **5. MATTERS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE**

- a) R2021-0029: A Resolution; authorizing a Contract with United Way of Greater Cleveland in the amount not-to-exceed \$1,145,450.00 for fiscal agent services and emergency food purchase assistance by Hunger Centers serving eligible Cuyahoga County residents for the period 1/1/2021 –

12/31/2021; authorizing the County Executive to execute Contract No. 366 and all other documents consistent with this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

**Mr. David Merriman, Director of Health and Human Services; Mr. Daniel Humphrey, Interim Manager of Contracts Administration and Performance; Ms. Julie Johnson, Chief Executive Officer of the Hunger Network of Greater Cleveland; Ms. Jessica Morgan, Chief Programs Officer with the Greater Cleveland Food Bank; and Ms. Nancy Mendez, Vice President of Community Impact with the United Way of Greater Cleveland, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2021-0029. Discussion ensued.**

**Committee members asked questions of Mr. Merriman, Mr. Humphrey, Ms. Johnson, Ms. Morgan, and Ms. Mendez pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.**

**On a motion by Ms. Stephens with a second by Ms. Brown, Resolution No. R2021-0029 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) R2021-0031: A Resolution authorizing an amendment to a Master Contract with various providers for Out-of-Home Placement and Foster Care Services for the period 1/1/2018 – 12/31/2020 to extend the time period to 12/31/2021, to remove various providers, effective 1/1/2021, to change payment rates for various providers, effective 1/1/2021 and for additional funds in the total amount not-to-exceed \$61,500,000.00; 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:

- a. Adelphoi Village, Inc.
- b. Applewood Centers, Inc.
- c. Artis's Tender Love & Care, Inc.
- d. The Bair Foundation
- e. Beech Brook
- f. Bellefaire Jewish Children's Bureau
- g. BHC Belmont Pines Hospital, Inc.
- h. BHC Fox Run Hospital, Inc.
- i. Caring for Kids, Inc.
- j. Carrington Youth Academy LLC
- k. Catholic Charities Corporation
- l. Christian Children's Home of Ohio, Inc.
- m. The Cleveland Christian Home Incorporated
- n. Cornell Abraxas Group, Inc.
- o. Detroit Behavioral Institute, Inc. dba Capstone Academy

- p. House of New Hope
- q. In Focus of Cleveland, Inc.
- r. Keystone Richland Center LLC dba Foundations for Living
- s. Lutheran Homes Society, Inc. dba Genacross Family and Youth Services
- t. Lutheran Metropolitan Ministry dba S.T.A.R.T Support to At-Risk Teens
- u. National Youth Advocate Program, Inc.
- v. New Directions, Inc.
- w. OhioGuidestone
- x. Ohio Mentor, Inc.
- y. Pathway Caring for Children
- z. Pressley Ridge
- aa. Reach Counseling Services dba Educational Alternatives
- bb. Rite of Passage, Inc.
- cc. Specialized Alternatives for Families and Youth of Ohio, Inc.
- dd. Young Star Academy, LLC (Tri-State Youth Authority, Inc dba Mohican Youth Academy)
- ee. The Twelve of Ohio, Inc.
- ff. The Village Network
- gg. New Beginnings Residential Treatment Center, LLC
- hh. Gracehaven, Inc.
- ii. Homes For Kids of Ohio, Inc.
- jj. Lighthouse Youth Services, Inc.
- kk. RTC Resource Acquisition Corporation dba Resource Treatment Center
- ll. ENA, Inc. dba Necco Center
- mm. Youth for Tomorrow-New Life Center, Inc.
- nn. Multi County Juvenile Attention System
- oo. Life Start, Inc.
- pp. George Junior Republic in Pennsylvania
- qq. Piney Ridge Treatment Center
- rr. Rolling Hills Hospital, LLC
- ss. Habilitation Center, LLC dba Millcreek of Arkansas
- tt. The Buckeye Ranch, Inc.
- uu. COMPASS Family and Community Services
- vv. Eastway Corporation
- ww. Focus 2 Focus, Inc.
- xx. Freedom Youth Program
- yy. Youth Intensive Services, Inc.

Removing providers, effective 1/1/2021:

- a. Sequel Pomegranate Health System, LLC

- b. The Glen Mills Schools
- c. Quality Care Residential Homes, Inc.
- d. Anne Grady Services

Changing payment rates, effective 1/1/2021:

- a. Adelphoi Village, Inc.
- b. Applewood Centers, Inc.
- c. Bellefaire Jewish Children's Bureau
- d. New Beginnings Residential Treatment Center, LLC

**Mr. Merriman; Ms. Cynthia Weiskittel; Director of the Division of Children and Family Services; Mr. Humphrey; Mr. Paul Porter, Program Officer Administrator; and Mr. David Gray, Senior Social Services Supervisor with the Department of Children and Family Services, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2021-0031. Discussion ensued.**

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

**On a motion by Ms. Conwell with a second by Mr. Miller, Resolution No. R2021-0031 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.**

**6. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS**

**Ms. Conwell announced that a presentation schedule for the various departments and agencies within the Division of Health and Human Services will be issued soon.**

**7. ADJOURNMENT**

**With no further business to discuss, Chairwoman Conwell adjourned the meeting at 2:04 p.m., without objection.**