



MINUTES

**CUYAHOGA COUNTY COUNCIL REMOTE* COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
THURSDAY, APRIL 8, 2021
2:00 PM**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Council President Jones called the meeting to order at 2:03 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Council President Jones asked Clerk Richardson to call the roll. Committee members Stephens, Baker, Miller, Sweeney, Gallagher, Schron, Conwell and Jones were in attendance and a quorum was determined. Committee members Brown, Simon and Tuma were in attendance after the roll-call was taken.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no public comments submitted.

4. PRESENTATION

- a) Cuyahoga County Disparity Study – Rodney K. Strong, Project Executive, Griffin & Strong, P.C.

Council President Jones made a brief statement regarding the Cuyahoga County Disparity Study.

Ms. Lenora Lockett, Director of the Office of Procurement and Diversity; Mr. Rodney K. Strong, CEO of Griffin & Strong P.C., and Ms. Ana Duarte, Deputy Project Manager with Griffin & Strong P.C., addressed the Committee regarding the Cuyahoga County Disparity Study and updated the Committee on the background of the disparity study, the background of Griffin & Strong, P.C., the definition of a disparity study, the legal basis and parameters for the disparity study, Cuyahoga County contractor availability and award thresholds, disparities by industry for minority and women owned business enterprises,

prime subcontractor disparities, private sector findings and the overall findings and recommendations of the disparity study. Discussion ensued.

Committee members asked questions of Ms. Lockett, Mr. Strong and Ms. Duarte pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.

5. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

There was no miscellaneous business.

6. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Council President Jones adjourned the meeting at 4:04 p.m., without objection.