

MINUTES

CUYAHOGA COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY & JUSTICE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING
TUESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2022
CUYAHOGA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS
C. ELLEN CONNALLY COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 4TH FLOOR
1:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Gallagher called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Mr. Gallagher asked Deputy Clerk Carter to call the roll. Committee members Gallagher, Conwell, Tuma, Jones and Simon were in attendance and a quorum was determined. Committee member Simon was in attendance after the roll-call was taken. Councilmembers Baker and Miller were also in attendance.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments given.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE NOVEMBER 30, 2021 MEETING

A motion was made by Ms. Conwell, seconded by Mr. Tuma and approved by unanimous vote to approve the minutes from the November 30, 2021 meeting.

5. MATTERS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

a) R2021-0292: A Resolution making awards on RQ4593 to various providers in the total amount not-to-exceed \$11,092,322.00 for funding for one-time capital and programmatic costs to support delivery of services to persons with serious mental illness, serious mental illness with co-occurring substance abuse or substance abuse/addiction for the period of 1/1/2022 – 6/30/2024; authorizing the County Executive to

execute the contracts and all other documents consistent with said awards and this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective:

- 1) Alliant Health Group in the amount not-to-exceed \$26,240.00 for the purchase of a van to transport clients and the purchase of furnishings and equipment for a sober living facility.
- 2) Community Assessment & Treatment Services, Inc. in the amount not-to-exceed \$200,000.00 for renovation of a sober living facility.
- 3) Edna House for Women, Inc. in the amount not-to-exceed \$375,000.00 for renovation of property to serve as a sober living facility for women.
- 4) Northern Ohio Recovery Association in the amount not-to-exceed \$28,960.00 for the purchase of furnishings for an inpatient treatment facility and the purchase of a van to transport clients.
- 5) Stella Maris, Inc. in the amount not-to-exceed \$5,598,232.00 for renovations, purchase of property, and the purchase of furnishings for addiction treatment facilities.
- 6) The Briermost Foundation, Inc. in the amount notto-exceed \$665,582.00 for the purchase of property, renovation and furnishings for a sober living facility.
- 7) YMCA of Greater Cleveland Foundation in the amount not-to-exceed \$4,198,308.00 for renovations and the purchase of furnishings for an interim housing facility that provides substance use disorder treatment and mental health counseling services.

Ms. Brandy Carney, Interim Director of Public Safety and Justice Services; and Mr. Ed. Gemerchak, Executive Director of Y-Haven Transitional Housing, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2021-0292. Discussion ensued.

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

On a motion by Mr. Jones with a second by Ms. Simon, Resolution No. R2021-0292 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) R2022-0014: A Resolution authorizing a contract with Passages Connecting Fathers and Sons, Inc. in the amount not-to-exceed \$1,065,476.00 for the implementation of the Cognitive Behavioral Interventions for Offenders Seeking Employment Program for moderate and high-risk level offenders who are unemployed or underemployed for the period of 7/1/2021 – 6/30/2023; authorizing the County Executive to execute Contract No. 2120 and all other documents consistent with this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Mr. Martin Murphy, Administrator of the Corrections Planning Board, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2022-0014. Discussion ensued.

Committee members and Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. Murphy pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.

On a motion by Mr. Tuma with a second by Ms. Simon, Resolution No. R2022-0014 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. DISCUSSION

a) Update on Diversion Center

Ms. Carney; Mr. Matthew Rymer, Facilities and Maintenance Administrator; Mr. Raymond Otis, Architect with Perspectus Architecture; and Mr. Michael Dever, Director of the Department of Public Works; addressed the Committee regarding the project status, costs, site analysis, programming, site selection process and number of clients served relating to the Diversion Center. Discussion ensued.

Committee members and Councilmembers asked questions of Ms. Carney, Mr. Rymer, Mr. Otis and Mr. Dever pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.

b) Update on Emergency Operations Center

Mr. Gallagher postponed the discussion regarding the Emergency Operations Center.

c) Update on Central Booking

Mr. Rymer and Mr. Robert Coury, Chief Public Safety & Justice Services Officer, provided the Committee with information regarding the construction, stakeholder working groups, process map and timeline for completion relating to central booking. Discussion ensued.

Committee members and Councilmembers asked questions of Messrs. Rymer and Coury pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.

7. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

There was no miscellaneous business.

8. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Chairman Gallagher adjourned the meeting at 2:56 p.m., without objection.