

#### **MINUTES**

CUYAHOGA COUNTY COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
TUESDAY, MARCH 24, 2015
CUYAHOGA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS
C. ELLEN CONNALLY COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 4<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR
2:30 PM

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Council President Brady called the meeting to order at 2:33 p.m.

### 2. ROLL CALL

Council President Brady asked Clerk Schmotzer to call the roll. Councilmembers Gallagher, Schron, Jones, Brown, Hairston, Simon, Greenspan, Miller and Brady were in attendance and a quorum was determined. Councilmembers Germana and Conwell entered the meeting shortly after the roll call was taken.

#### 3. PUBLIC COMMENT RELATED TO AGENDA

Mr. Timothy McGinty, County Prosecutor, addressed Council in support of Resolution No. R2015-0047, a Resolution confirming the County Executive's appointment of Clifford E. Pinkney, upon his taking the oath of office, as Cuyahoga County Sheriff.

- 4. ITEMS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE / CONFIRMATION HEARING:
  - a) R2015-0049: A Resolution authorizing the issuance and sale of County sales tax revenue bonds, in an aggregate principal amount not-to-exceed \$13,000,000.00, for the purpose of paying or reimbursing the costs of constructing, reconstructing, refurbishing, renovating and improving permanent improvements to publicly owned park space known as Public Square, together with all necessary appurtenances and work incidental thereto, and for the purpose of paying any capitalized interest on the bonds and paying the costs of issuance in connection therewith; authorizing the execution of one or more agreements in cooperation with other parties and in furtherance of the project, authorizing the preparation and use of a preliminary official statement; authorizing the preparation, execution and use of an official statement; approving and authorizing the execution of a

trust indenture and a continuing disclosure agreement; authorizing other actions related to the issuance of the bonds; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Council President Brady turned the gavel over to Councilmember Greenspan, Chair of the Finance & Budgeting Committee.

Clerk Schmotzer read Resolution No. R2015-0049 into the record.

Mr. Nathan Kelley, Deputy Chief of Staff for Development; Mr. Jeremy Paris, Executive Director of the Group Plan Commission; and Mr. Bradford Sprague, Cuyahoga County Financial Advisor, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2015-0049. Discussion ensued.

Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. Kelley, Mr. Paris and Mr. Sprague pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.

On a motion by Mr. Greenspan with a second by Mr. Brady, Resolution No. R2015-0049 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda for second reading.

b) <u>R2015-0047:</u> A Resolution confirming the County Executive's appointment of Clifford E. Pinkney, upon his taking the oath of office, as Cuyahoga County Sheriff; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Mr. Greenspan then turned the gavel back over to Council President Brady to Chair the remainder of the meeting.

Clerk Schmotzer read Resolution No. R2015-0047 into the record.

Council President Brady made a brief statement regarding the confirmation hearing process.

Mr. Clifford Pinkney, County Executive Budish's nominee for the position of Cuyahoga County Sheriff, was then called upon to deliver an opening statement. Mr. Pinkney provided background into his education, experience and qualifications for the position.

Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. Pinkney pertaining to his experience and expertise, which he answered accordingly.

On a motion by Mr. Hairston with a second by Mr. Germana, Resolution No. R2015-0047 was considered and approved by unanimous roll-call vote to be referred to the full Council agenda with a recommendation for passage under second reading suspension of the rules.

Mr. Germana, Ms. Conwell and Mr. Hairston requested to have their names added as cosponsors to Resolution No. R2015-0047.

# 5. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

There was no miscellaneous business.

# 6. PUBLIC COMMENT UNRELATED TO AGENDA

No public comments were given unrelated to the agenda.

## 7. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss and on a motion by Mr. Brady with a second by Ms. Conwell, the meeting was adjourned at 4:23 p.m., without objection.