



MINUTES

**CUYAHOGA COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & PLANNING
COMMITTEE MEETING
MONDAY, MAY 16, 2022
CUYAHOGA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS
C. ELLEN CONNALLY COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 4TH FLOOR
3:00 PM**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Schron called the meeting to order at 3:04 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Mr. Schron asked Assistant Deputy Clerk Johnson to call the roll. Committee members Schron, Baker, Tuma, Simon and Stephens were in attendance and a quorum was determined. Councilmember Miller was also in attendance.

In accordance with Rule 12F of the County Council Rules, Council President Jones appointed Councilmember Miller as a Member Pro Tem of the Economic Development & Planning Committee.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments given.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE APRIL 18, 2022 MEETING

A motion was made by Mr. Tuma, seconded by Ms. Baker, and approved by unanimous vote to approve the minutes from the April 18, 2022 meeting.

Chairman Schron recused himself from the discussion and passed the gavel to Ms. Baker, Vice-Chair of the Economic Development & Planning Committee.

5. MATTERS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

- a) R2022-0123: A Resolution authorizing a grant award to Fund for Our Economic Future of Northeast Ohio in the total amount not -to-exceed \$9,000,000.00 as fiscal agent, for Workforce Funders Group for various workforce development activities, commencing upon contract signature of all parties for a period of 3 years; authorizing the County Executive to execute the Contract No. 2451 and all other documents consistent with said award and this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective:
- 1) in the amount not-to-exceed \$5,000,000.00 for expansion of the Manufacturing Sector Partnership.
 - 2) in the amount not-to-exceed \$1,000,000.00 for a Higher Education Internship Program.
 - 3) in the amount not-to-exceed \$3,000,000.00 for Career Education in public schools Countywide.

Mr. Paul Herdeg, Director of the Department of Development; Ms. Cathy Belk, President & CEO of Deaconess Foundation; Mr. Ethan Karp, President & CEO of MAGNET; Mr. Geoff Lipnevicius, Senior Manager of Organizational Effectiveness with Lincoln Electric; Mr. Alby Santos, Production Supervisor with Diamond Metals Distribution; Mr. Richard Jackson, Press Operator and Production Trainer with Talan Products, Inc.; Ms. Shana Marbury, General Counsel and Senior Vice President of Talent for the Greater Cleveland Partnership; Ms. Helen Williams, Program Director of Education with the Cleveland Foundation; Ms. Lee Friedman, CEO of College Now of Greater Cleveland; Dr. Michele Scott Taylor, Chief Program Officer of College Now of Greater Cleveland; Ms. Marsha Mockabee, President & CEO of the Urban League of Greater Cleveland; Mr. Craig Dorn, President & CEO of Youth Opportunities Unlimited; Ms. Amy Widlits, Director of Enterprise Data Client Services for The Sherwin-Williams Company; and Ms. Tiffany Short, Director of Culture and Organizational Effectiveness with MetroHealth, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2022-0123. Discussion ensued.

Committee members asked questions of Mr. Herdeg, Ms. Belk, Mr. Karp, Mr. Lipnevicius, Mr. Santos, Mr. Jackson, Ms Marbury, Ms. Williams, Ms. Friedman, Dr. Scott Taylor, Ms. Mockabee, Mr. Dorn, Ms. Widlits, and Ms. Short pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.

On a motion by Mr. Miller with a second by Mr. Tuma, Resolution No. R2022-0123 was considered and approved to be referred to the full Council agenda for second reading, with Mr. Schron abstaining from the vote.

Mr. Miller and Ms. Baker requested to have their names added as a co-sponsor to Resolution No. R2022-0123.

Ms. Baker returned the gavel to Chairman Schron to chair the remainder of the meeting.

6. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

There was no miscellaneous business.

7. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Chairman Schron adjourned the meeting at 4:51 p.m., without objection