

MINUTES

CUYAHOGA COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY & JUSTICE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING
TUESDAY, MAY 17, 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 1:08 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Mr. Gallagher asked Deputy Clerk Carter to call the roll. Committee members Gallagher, Conwell and Jones were in attendance and a quorum was determined. Committee members Tuma and Simon were absent from the meeting. Councilmembers Miller and Turner were also in attendance.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Meryl Johnson addressed the Committee regarding concerns relating to the treatment of juveniles in the Juvenile Detention Center.

Mr. Colin Sikon addressed the Committee regarding concerns relating to funding of Juvenile Court.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE MAY 3, 2022 MEETING

A motion was made by Ms. Conwell, seconded by Mr. Jones and approved by unanimous vote to approve the minutes from the May 3, 2022 meeting.

5. MATTERS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

[Clerk's Note: Committee members voted on Resolution No. R2022-0127 after they adjourned the Executive Session and reconvened the Committee meeting.]

a) R2022-0127: A Resolution authorizing an amendment to Contract No. 228 with The MetroHealth System for Correctional Health Care Services for the Cuyahoga County Jail System for the period 5/9/2019 – 5/8/2022 to extend the time period to 8/08/2022 and for additional funds in the amount of \$10,600,000.00, for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$53,927,040.00; 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.

Mr. Gregory Huth, Law Director, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2022-0127. Discussion ensued.

Committee members asked questions of Mr. Huth pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.

Mr. Gallagher introduced a proposed substitute to Resolution No. R2022-0127. Discussion ensued.

A motion was then made by Ms. Conwell, seconded by Mr. Jones and approved by unanimous vote accept the proposed substitute.

On a motion by Ms. Conwell with a second by Mr. Jones, Resolution No. R2022-0127 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. EXECUTIVE SESSION

a) Pending or imminent litigation

A motion was made by Ms. Conwell, seconded by Mr. Jones and approved by unanimous roll-call vote to move to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing pending or imminent litigation and for no other purpose whatsoever. Executive Session was then called to order at 1:20 p.m. The following Committee and Councilmembers were present: Gallagher, Conwell, Jones, Miller and Turner. The following additional attendees were present: Law Director Gregory Huth, Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Brendan Healy, Special Counsel Brendan Doyle, Research and Policy Analyst James Boyle, Legislative Budget Advisor Trevor McAleer, Deputy Chief Sheriff Bryan Smith, Corrections Administrator Ronda Gibson, and Captain Steven Hammett.

At 1:53 p.m., Executive Session was adjourned without objection and Chairman Gallagher then reconvened the meeting.

7. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

There was no miscellaneous business.

8. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Chairman Gallagher adjourned the meeting at 1:59 p.m, without objection.