



MINUTES

**CUYAHOGA COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & PLANNING
COMMITTEE MEETING
MONDAY, JULY 25, 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 3:02 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Mr. Schron asked Clerk Richardson to call the roll. Committee members Schron, Simon and Tuma were in attendance and a quorum was determined. Committee members Baker and Stephens were absent from the meeting. Councilmember Miller was also in attendance.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments given.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE JULY 11, 2022 MEETING

A motion was made by Mr. Schron, seconded by Ms. Simon and approved by unanimous vote to approve the minutes from the July 11, 2022 meeting.

5. MATTERS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

- a) R2022-0248: A Resolution authorizing a grant award to National Council for Community Development d/b/a National Development Council in the amount not-to-exceed \$2,000,000.00 as fiscal agent and administrator of the Cuyahoga County Small Business Grant Program, commencing upon contract signature of all parties for a period of one (1) year; authorizing the County Executive to execute Contract No. 2557 and all other documents consistent with said award and this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Mr. Vaughn Johnson, Deputy Director of the Department of Development; Ms. Jazmyn Blockson, Program Administrator and Mr. Dryck Bennett, Chief Credit Officer of Small Business Lending of the National Development Council; Ms. Patty Ajdukiewicz, Principal, Small Business Advising and Capital of JumpStart; and Erica Penick, Executive Director of The Presidents' Council addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2022-0248. Discussion ensued.

Committee members and Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. Johnson, Ms. Blockson, Mr. Bennett, Ms. Ajdukiewicz and Ms. Penick pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.

On a motion by Ms. Simon with a second by Mr. Schron, Resolution No. R2022-0248 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.

Ms. Simon, Mr. Schron, Mr. Tuma and Mr. Miller requested to have their names added as co-sponsors to the legislation.

6. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

There was no miscellaneous business.

7. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Chairman Schron adjourned the meeting at 3:34 p.m., without objection.