

## **MINUTES**

CUYAHOGA COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & PLANNING
COMMITTEE MEETING
MONDAY, JULY 10, 2023
CUYAHOGA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS
C. ELLEN CONNALLY COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 4<sup>TH</sup> 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, Kelly, Simon and Tuma were in attendance and a quorum was determined. Mr. Miller was also in attendance. Committee member Stephens was absent from the meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments given.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE APRIL 3, 2023 MEETING

A motion was made by Ms. Simon seconded by Mr. Kelly, and approved by unanimous vote to approve the minutes from the April 3, 2023 meeting.

- MATTERS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE
  - a) R2023-0187: A Resolution awarding a total sum, not to exceed \$250,000, to the Old Brooklyn Community Development Corporation for the purpose of Memphis and Pearl redevelopment project from the District 3 ARPA Community Grant Fund; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Mr. Lucas A. Reeve, Executive Director of Old Brooklyn Community Development Corporation, Ms. Jen Bee, Project Manager of Desmone Architects and Interiors Firm, Mr. James Ambrose, President of Tipping Point, and Councilman Kris Harsh, Cleveland City Council, Ward 13, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2023-0187. Discussion ensued.

Committee members asked questions of Mr. Reeve, Ms. Bee, Mr. Ambrose and Mr. Harsh pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.

On a motion by Ms. Simon with a second by Mr. Kelly, Resolution No. R2023-0187 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda for second reading.

b) R2023-0199: A Resolution adopting the 2023 Economic Development Plan in accordance with Section 7.05 of the Cuyahoga County Charter and Section 801.01 of the Cuyahoga County Code; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Mr. Paul Herdeg, Director of the Department of Development, Mr. Vaughn Johnson, Deputy Director of Economic Development, Mr. Mike Foley, Director of the Department of Sustainability and Ms. Annie Pease, Senior Advisor on Transportation, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2023-0199. Discussion ensued.

Committee members asked questions of Mr. Herdeg, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Foley and Ms. Pease pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.

Mr. Miller asked a procedural question regarding proposed amendments that would have to be addressed and completed within 60 days from the date of submission of the Economic Development Plan; asked about a statement of accomplishments; site development and initiatives for the growth of County Government, which Mr. Herdeg answered accordingly.

On a motion by Ms. Simon with a second by Mr. Schron, Resolution No. R2023-0199 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda for second reading.

## 6. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

There was no miscellaneous business.

## 7. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Chairman Schron adjourned the meeting at 4:15 p.m., without objection.