AGENDA CUYAHOGA COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING MONDAY MARCH 28, 2011 CUYAHOGA COUNTY JUSTICE CENTER COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 1ST FLOOR 10:30 AM

NOTE: This presentation was offered before the start of the meeting. PRESENTATION: NORBERTO COLON, DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF OF JUSTICE REGARDING INTEROPERABILITY.

Mr. Colon noted that MARCS, a statewide system of radio communication among police and firefighters has been a longstanding project. A cooperative effort of the county and state of Ohio, MARCS will allow emergency personnel across the county and state to talk to one another via radio frequencies. The county will be asking council's approval to use \$860,000 of federal funds already allotted to build the final two towers in the western edge of the county; once completed, all police, fire, and EMTs will be able to talk on one radio system.

Lyndhurst Mayor Joe Cicero, Solon Fire Chief William Shaw, Mayfield Fire Chief David Moore and Cleveland Heights Fire Chief Kevin Mohr all spoke in favor of this project.

This needs to be done expeditiously or we may lose the use of the federal funds. Once in place, this system can be expanded beyond the county

Mr. Gallagher noted that once the legislation is brought to the council, he would encourage council to move this along as quickly as possible. Mr. Gallagher noted his willingness to add another Public Safety meeting to deal with this on an expedited basis, if necessary.

1. CALL TO ORDER - 11:20 a.m.

2. ROLL CALL - Members Present: Mike Gallagher, Chair; Sunny Simon,

Dale Miller also attended.

Members Absent – Dave Greenspan

3. PUBLIC COMMENT RELATED TO THE AGENDA (none)

4. OPEN ISSUES

a) **DISCUSSION RELATED TO R2011-0121:** A Resolution making an award on RQ18560 and authorizing the County Executive to enter into a contract with Infinity

Construction Co., Inc. in the amount of \$5,490,000.00 for the Corrections Center Jail Kitchen Renovation Project.

Sheriff Reid and Jail Administrator Ken Kochevar, along with Norberto Colon indicated that the Executive would be pulling this item and sending it out to be rebid. According to the Prosecutor, there was a problem with the bids. The Sheriff hopes to get this back out for rebid fairly soon. The Committee took no action on this item as Mr. Colon indicated that the Executive wished to withdraw it.

Mr. Kochevar invited the Committee and any members of Council to tour the jail.

5. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Ms. Simon noted that the crosswalk in front of the Juvenile Justice Center should be brought back to Council. While Justice Affairs has been considering the JJC contracts, Ms. Simon suggested and Mr. Gallagher agreed that the Crosswalk should come back to Public Safety if it needs to come back to committee.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

7. ADJOURNMENT – 11:30 a.m.