

Minutes

Cuyahoga County Board of Control
Monday, July 21, 2025 - 11:00 A.M.
County Headquarters
2079 East Ninth Street
Committee Room B

I – CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 11:06 a.m.

Attending:

Katherine A. Gallagher, Chief of Operations & Community Innovation County Executive Administration
(Alternate for Chris Ronayne, County Executive)
Leigh Tucker, Assistant Fiscal Officer, Fiscal Office (Alternate for Michael Chambers)
Mellany Seay, Finance and Operations Administrator, Department of Public Works
(Alternate for Michael Dever)
Paul Porter, Director, Department of Purchasing
Councilmember Meredith Turner
Councilmember Michael Houser
Councilmember Robert Schleper

II. – REVIEW MINUTES – 7/14/2025

Leigh Tucker motioned to approve the minutes from the July 14, 2025, meeting; Meredith Turner seconded. The minutes were approved by unanimous vote, as written.

III. – PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

IV. – CONTRACTS AND AWARDS

A. – Tabled Items

B. – New Items for Review

BC2025-458

Department of Public Works/Division of Public Utilities, submitting an amendment to Contract No. 4502 with JCS Consulting Group Inc. for assistance with strategic and tactical planning services in connection with the Euclid and Brooklyn microgrid design projects for the period 6/4/2024-2/28/2026, for additional funds in the amount not-to-exceed \$30,000.00, effective upon signatures of all parties.

Funding Source: Funding Source: U.S. Department of Energy Grant

Matthew Hrubey, Department of Public Works, presented. There were no questions. Leigh Tucker motioned to approve the item; Meredith Turner seconded. Item BC2025-458 was approved by unanimous vote.

BC2025-459

Department of Public Works, recommending an award and enter into Contract No. 5440 with Clark Anthony Construction, L.L.C (78-1) in the amount not-to-exceed \$200,000.00 for automatic door repairs and preventative maintenance for various County locations, effective upon signatures of all parties for a period of 2 years.

Funding Source: General Fund

Matthew Hrubey, Department of Public Works, presented. There were no questions. Leigh Tucker motioned to approve the item; Meredith Turner seconded. Item BC2025-459 was approved by unanimous vote.

BC2025-460

Department of Public Works/Division of Public Utilities,

- a) Submitting an RFP exemption, which will result in an award recommendation to CEP Renewables OH, LLC in the amount not-to-exceed \$56,150.00 for consultation services to perform certain Geotechnical Engineering Services related to a Harvard Landfill Solar Development Slope Stability Study, effective upon signatures of all parties through project completion.
- b) Recommending an award and enter into Contract No. 5494 with CEP Renewables OH, LLC in the amount not-to-exceed \$56,150.00 for consultation services to perform certain Geotechnical Engineering Services related to a Harvard Landfill Solar Development Slope Stability Study, effective upon signatures of all parties through project completion.

Funding Source: U.S. EPA Climate Pollution Reduction Grant Subaward

Matthew Hrubey, Department of Public Works, presented. Michael Houser asked why this amount was not included in the original contract, wondering if it had been omitted or was simply unknown. Leigh Tucker motioned to approve the item; Paul Porter seconded. Item BC2025-460 was approved by unanimous vote.

BC2025-461

Department of Public Works, recommending an award and enter into Contract No. 5509 with Patriot Industrial Technologies, LTD. (84-3) in the amount not-to-exceed \$150,000.00 for water treatment chemicals and services for boiler and air conditioning equipment at various County buildings, effective 10/1/2025-9/30/2028.

Funding Source: General Fund

Matthew Hrubey, Department of Public Works, presented. There were no questions. Leigh Tucker motioned to approve the item; Meredith Turner seconded. Item BC2025-461 was approved by unanimous vote.

BC2025-462

Department of Information Technology, recommending an award on Purchase Order No. 25002502 with MNJ Technologies Direct, Inc. in the amount not-to-exceed \$287,409.00 for a state contract purchase of

(23) Cisco Catalyst Routers, each including Cisco Smart Net Total Care services and related accessories and licenses for use at various County facilities.

Funding Source: Capital Projects Fund

Brianna Witt, Department of Information Technology, presented. There were no questions. Leigh Tucker motioned to approve the item; Robert Schleper seconded. Item BC2025-462 was approved by unanimous vote.

BC2025-463

Department of Public Safety and Justice Services, recommending awards and enter into Agreements and Contracts with various providers for various services in connection with the FY2024 STOP Violence Against Women's Act Block Grant for the period 1/1/2025 – 12/31/2025:

a) Agreement No. 5384 with City of Cleveland in the amount not-to-exceed \$114,646.43 for the Cleveland Domestic Violence Project, Cleveland Police.

b) Agreement No. 5385 with City of Cleveland in the amount not-to-exceed \$46,931.54 for the Cleveland Sexual Assault Advocate Project.

c) Agreement No. 5386 with City of Cleveland in the amount not-to-exceed \$161,577.97 for the Cleveland Domestic Violence Project, Office of Prosecution.

d) Contract No. 5391 with Cleveland Rape Crisis Center in the amount not-to-exceed \$126,229.42 for the Strengthening Direct Services for Survivors Project.

e) Contract No. 5393 with Jewish Family Service Association of Cleveland, Ohio in the amount not-to-exceed \$51,100.89 for the Domestic Violence Services Continuation Project.

f) Contract No. 5394 with Journey Center for Safety and Healing in the amount not-to-exceed \$113,510.05 for the Latina Domestic Violence Project.

g) Agreement No. 5449 with Cuyahoga County Domestic Relations Court in the amount not-to-exceed \$32,315.60 for the Domestic Violence Enhancement Program.

Funding Source: FY2024 STOP Violence Against Women Act Block Grant

Mary Beth Vaughn, Department of Public Safety and Justice Services, presented. There were no questions. Leigh Tucker motioned to approve the item; Meredith Turner seconded. Item BC2025-463 was approved by unanimous vote.

BC2025-464

Department of Public Safety and Justice Services, submitting a Revenue Generating Agreement (via Contract No. 5514) with City of Lakewood in the amount not-to-exceed \$25,416.00 for reimbursement of related expenses for use of (1) Motorola NG9-1-1 workstation, located at 12650 Detroit Avenue, Lakewood for the period 4/1/2025 – 3/31/2028.

Funding Source: Revenue Generating – revenue will be deposited into Wireless Fund

Mary Beth Vaughn, Department of Public Safety and Justice Services, presented. There were no questions. Leigh Tucker motioned to approve the item; Robert Schleper seconded. Item BC2025-464 was approved by unanimous vote.

BC2025-465

Department of Health and Human Services/Division of Children and Family Services,

a) Submitting an RFP exemption, which will result in an award recommendation to Downtown Cleveland Alliance in the anticipated amount of \$2,818.79 for outdoor space rental for Family Fun Day held on Gund Foundation Green on Public Square on 8/5/2025 (Rain Date 8/12/2025).

b) Recommending an award and enter into Contract No. 5493 to Downtown Cleveland Alliance in the anticipated amount of \$2,818.79 for outdoor space rental for Family Fun Day held on Gund Foundation Green on Public Square on 8/5/2025 (Rain Date 8/12/2025).

Funding Source: Health and Human Services Levy Fund

Marcos Cortes, Department of Health and Human Services, presented. Meredith Turner asked what the capacity is; asked do you know how many families we're able to serve. Leigh Tucker motioned to approve the item; Meredith Turner seconded. Item BC2025-465 was approved by unanimous vote.

BC2025-466

Department of Health and Human Services/Community Initiatives Division/Office of Homeless Services, submitting an amendment to a grant agreement with U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for Continuum of Care Coordinated Entry System in connection with FY2024 Continuum of Care Homeless Program Competition grant for the period 2/1/2025 – 1/31/2026, for additional funds in the amount not-to-exceed \$1,000,000.00.

Funding Source: Funding Source: 75% U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Continuum of Care Program and 25% Cash Match (Health and Human Services Levy Fund)

Marcos Cortes, Department of Health and Human Services, presented. There were no questions. Leigh Tucker motioned to approve the item; Meredith Turner seconded. Item BC2025-466 was approved by unanimous vote.

BC2025-467

Department of Health and Human Services/Community Initiatives Division/Office of Re-entry,

- a) Submitting an RFP exemption, which will result in an award recommendation to Reach Success Inc. in the amount not-to-exceed \$325,000.00 ~~for research, planning and independent evaluative services of~~ **to support the educational needs of incarcerated individuals who are returning to Cuyahoga County** for the County's Pay for Success Initiative, effective 1/1/2025-12/31/2027.
- b) Recommending an award and enter into Contract No. 5387 with Reach Success Inc. in the amount not-to-exceed \$325,000.00 ~~for research, planning and independent evaluative services of~~ **to support the educational needs of incarcerated individuals who are returning to Cuyahoga County** for the County's Pay for Success Initiative, effective 1/1/2025-12/31/2027.

Funding Source: Federal Bureau of Justice Affairs Grant Funds

Sharonda Mason, Department of Health and Human Services, presented. There were no questions. Leigh Tucker motioned to approve the item as amended; Meredith Turner seconded. Item BC2025-467 was approved by unanimous vote as amended.

BC2025-468

Department of Health and Human Services/Community Initiatives Division/Office of Re-entry

- a) Submitting an RFP exemption, which will result in an award recommendation to Lutheran Metropolitan Ministry in the amount not-to-exceed \$173,100.00 ~~for research, planning and independent evaluative~~ **for Housing Skills classes and housing navigation services** ~~of for~~ the County's Pay for Success Initiative, effective 1/1/2025-12/31/2027.
- b) Recommending an award and enter into Contract No. 5389 with Lutheran Metropolitan Ministry in the amount not-to-exceed \$173,100.00 ~~for research, planning and independent evaluative~~ **for Housing Skills classes and housing navigation services** ~~of for~~ the County's Pay for Success Initiative, effective 1/1/2025-12/31/2027.

Funding Source: Federal Bureau of Justice Affairs Grant Funds

Sharonda Mason, Department of Health and Human Services, presented. Meredith Turner asked on the previous item and this one whether we have any data on how many returned citizens successfully reaching any kind of educational milestone, securing and maintaining permanent housing status. Leigh Tucker motioned to approve the item as amended; Meredith Turner seconded. Item BC2025-468 was approved by unanimous vote as amended.

BC2025-469

Department of Health and Human Services/Community Initiatives Division/Office of Re-entry

- a) Submitting an RFP exemption, which will result in an award recommendation to Center for Employment Opportunities, Inc. in the amount not-to-exceed \$249,999.99 for transitional employment services for the County's Pay for Success Initiative, effective 1/1/2025-12/31/2027.

- b) Recommending an award and enter into Contract No. 5390 with Center for Employment Opportunities, Inc. in the amount not-to-exceed \$249,999.99 for transitional employment services for the County's Pay for Success Initiative, effective 1/1/2025-12/31/2027.

Funding Source: Federal Bureau of Justice Affairs Grant Funds

Sharonda Mason, Department of Health and Human Services, presented. There were no questions. Leigh Tucker motioned to approve the item; Robert Schleper seconded. Item BC2025-469 was approved by unanimous vote.

C. – Exemptions

BC2025-470

Department of Public Works, recommending an alternative procurement process, which will result in a participation agreement with the City of Brecksville Purchasing Consortium in the amount not-to-exceed \$30,000.00 for the purchase of sodium chloride (rock salt) for the period 11/1/2025 – 10/31/2026.

Funding Source: General Fund

Matthew Hrubey, Department of Public Works, presented. Robert Schleper asked is this something we do with a number of communities throughout the County or is this Brecksville specifically. Michael Houser asked for clarity, when you say 1 of 21 what does that mean; do we do this for a number of cities across Cuyahoga County, across other counties or Brecksville specifically; for clarity we don't do this for Warrensville or Maple Heights or other cities across the County. Paul Porter relayed that this kind of like when we purchase through a joint purchasing platform; items you've seen come through that say, government purchase, cooperative purchase (like Sourcewell) , buying through the Federal GSA schedule. According to Ohio Revised Code (ORC) if a municipality chooses, they can participate in a purchasing agreement like this. So, in theory it should be open to any of those municipalities. They just have to choose whether or not to participate. Meredith Turner asked can we found out who is part of the consortium. Leigh Tucker motioned to approve the item; Robert Schleper seconded. Item BC2025-470 was approved by unanimous vote.

BC2025-471

Department of Health and Human Services/Community Initiatives Division/Family and Children First Council, recommending an alternative procurement process, which will result in award recommendations to various providers in the total amount not-to-exceed \$477,648.00 for implementation of the Family Centered Services and Supports Wraparound Program for the period 7/1/2025 – 6/30/2027.

Funding Sources: 25% Federal Child Welfare Funds and 75% State General Revenue Funds

Marcos Cortes, Department of Health and Human Services, presented. There were no questions. Leigh Tucker motioned to approve the item; Meredith Turner seconded. Item BC2025-471 was approved by unanimous vote.

BC2025-472

Department of Health and Human Services/Community Initiatives Division/Family and Children First Council, recommending an alternative procurement process, which will result in award recommendations to various providers in the total amount not-to-exceed \$375,000.00 to pay invoices for the Multi-System Local Youth Program for the period 7/1/2025 – 6/30/2027.

Marcos Cortes, Department of Health and Human Services, presented. There were no questions. Leigh Tucker motioned to approve the item; Meredith Turner seconded. Item BC2025-472 was approved by unanimous vote.

BC2025-473

Department of Health and Human Services/Community Initiatives Division/Family and Children First Council, recommending an alternative procurement process which will result in award recommendations to various County agencies and various providers referred by County agencies in the total amount not-to-exceed \$375,000.00 as reimbursement for technical assistance and financial assistance to children, youth and families with complex multi-system needs in connection with Multi-System State Youth Program for the period 7/1/2025 – 6/30/2027.

Funding Source: State Funds

Marcos Cortes, Department of Health and Human Services, presented. Meredith Turner asked for an example of the types of services. Leigh Tucker motioned to approve the item; Meredith Turner seconded. Item BC2025-473 was approved by unanimous vote.

D. – Consent Agenda

There were no questions or comments on the Consent Agenda items. Leigh Tucker motioned to approve Consent Agenda Item No. BC2025-474 through BC2025-477; Mellany Seay seconded. The Consent Agenda Items were approved by unanimous vote.

BC2025-474

Department of Development, submitting an amendment to a Loan Agreement (via Contract No. 3323) with 2168 West 25th Street LLC to provide a County Match Funding Forgivable loan for certain brownfield remediation and cleanup activities associated with the Project located at or about 2168 West 25th Street, Cleveland, Ohio and encompassing parcels for the period 3/31/2023-3/31/2026 to modify the terms of Section 1.10 to remove an existing item and add additional terms related to loan forgiveness, effective upon signatures of all parties.

Funding Source: General Fund - American Rescue Plan Act Revenue Replacement (ARPA)/Provision of Government Services

BC2025-475

Court of Common Pleas/Juvenile Court Division, submitting an amendment to Contract No. 4307 (fka Contract No. 4118) with Esperanza, Incorporated for mentoring and positive youth development services for court referred youth ages 14 to 17 with high risk for recidivism for the period 7/1/2023 – 6/30/2026; for a decrease of funds in the amount of (\$44,460.00), effective 7/1/2025.

Funding Source: RECLAIM Grant

BC2025-476

Court of Common Pleas/Juvenile Court Division, submitting an amendment to a Master Contract with various providers for trauma informed respite and youth care center services for the period 7/1/2024 – 6/30/2026

a) To remove (2) vendors, effective 7/1/2025:

1. Contract No. 4521 with Raven House
2. Contract No. 4524 with Life's Right Direction, Inc

b) To decrease funds, effective 7/1/2025:

Contract No. 5515 (fka Contract Nos. 4644 and 4522) with Lutheran Metropolitan Ministry to replace Exhibits A-C with a new Exhibit A which represents new rates and for a decrease of funds in the amount of (\$150,000.00).

Funding Source: RECLAIM Grant Fund

BC2025-477

Fiscal Department, presenting proposed travel/membership requests for the week of 7/21/2025

Dept:	Department of Sustainability							
Event:	Jason National Conference							
Source:	Jason Learning							
Location:	Leesburg, VA							
Staff	Travel Dates	Registration *	Meals **	Lodging **	Ground TRN/ Mileage **	Air ***	Total	Funding Source
Emily Bacha	6/29/2025-6/30/2025	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	Jason Learning

*Paid to host

**Staff reimbursement

*** Airfare will be covered by a contract with the County's Travel Vendor

**** All Expenses Covered by Jason Learning

- Registration- \$150.00
- Airfare- \$131.00
- Total: \$281.00

Purpose:

Traveling to Leesburg, VA to attend the Jason National Conference. To discover how diverse perspectives and visionary leadership can drive a more inclusive, innovative, and sustainable future in stem. Approved by the AIG's office the cost of the trip is covered by Jason Learning.

Dept:	Sheriff's Department							
Event:	NTOA Swat Team Leader Development							
Source:	National Tactical Officer Association							
Location:	Crestview, FL							
Staff	Travel Dates	Registration *	Meals **	Lodging **	Ground TRN/ Mileage **	Air ***	Total	Funding Source
Timothy Slowik	8/3/2025-8/8/2025	\$724.01	\$420.00	\$896.00	\$525.00	\$560.00	\$3,125.01	Continued Professional Training Fund

*Paid to host

**Staff reimbursement

*** Airfare will be covered by a contract with the County's Travel Vendor

Purpose:

National Tactical Officer Association SWAT Team Leader Development Training in Crestview Florida. NTOA is the leader in Law Enforcement Tactical Training on a national scale. This training will provide unparalleled training in SWAT and decision making, ultimately increasing the capability to become a team leader on the County SWAT team.

Dept:	Medical Examiner's Office							
Event:	109 th International Association for Identification Educational Conference							
Source:	International Association for Identification							
Location:	Orlando, FL							
Staff	Travel Dates	Registration *	Meals **	Lodging **	Ground TRN/ Mileage **	Air ***	Total	Funding Source
Dawn Schilens	8/11/2025-8/17/2025	\$495.00	\$353.00	\$787.50	\$341.70	\$276.97	\$2,254.17	Coverdell Grant

*Paid to host

**Staff reimbursement

*** Airfare will be covered by a contract with the County's Travel Vendor

Purpose:

Attend the 109th International Association for Identification Educational Conference. Lectures on the latest technology techniques and research as well as workshops to practice basic and advanced skills

taught by professionals in the field. Meetings and panels provide an opportunity to discuss the latest standards and professional developments.

V- OTHER BUSINESS

Item of Note (non-voted)

Item No. 1

Court of Common Pleas/Corrections Planning Board, submitting an amendment to a grant agreement with the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Corrections for various FY2026 – 2027 Community Based Corrections Programs for the period 7/1/2025 – 6/30/2027 to replace Exhibit A of the original agreement with revised Exhibit A; no additional funds required.

Funding Source: Community Corrections Act (CCA) Fund

Item No. 2

Contracts \$0.00 - \$10,000.00 – Processed and executed (no vote required)

RQ No.	Contract Number	Vendor	Service Description	Amount	Department	Date(s) of Service	Funding Source	Date of Execution
NA	4969	Summit Food Service, LLC	For Jail food services in the Cuyahoga County Corrections Center to replace Exhibit A with Exhibit A-1 Kosher-Halal Menu and to replace Enhanced Menu Schedule 1 with Enhanced Menu Schedule 1A representing pricing schedule	\$0.00	Sheriff's Department	01/01/2025-12/31/2027	(Original) General Fund	(Executive) 7/14/2025 (Law) 7/15/2025

Item No. 3

Purchases Processed (No Vote Required) in the amount not-to-exceed \$10,000.00 for the period 6/1/2025-6/30/2025 (No Vote Required) will be available at the following link at time of posting the Final Agenda. To view the report, click on the Title “ 7/21/2025 – Board of Control Meeting”.

[Board of Control \(cuyahogacounty.gov\)](http://cuyahogacounty.gov)

VI – PUBLIC COMMENT

No Public Comment

VII – ADJOURNMENT

Leigh Tucker motioned to adjourn; Mellany Seay seconded. The motion to adjourn was unanimously approved at 11:32 a.m.