

## Minutes

Cuyahoga County Board of Control

Monday, October 27, 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 11:00 a.m.

#### Attending:

Katherine A. Gallagher, Chief of Operations & Community Innovation County Executive Administration  
(Alternate for Chris Ronayne, County Executive)

Michael Chambers, Fiscal Officer, serving as Chairman

Mellany Seay, Finance and Operations Administrator, Department of Public Works  
(Alternate for Michael Dever)

Paul Porter, Director, Department of Purchasing

Trevor McAleer, County Council (Alternate for Meredith Turner)

Laura Black, County Council (Alternate for Michael Houser)

Councilmember Robert Schleper

### **II. – REVIEW MINUTES – 10/20/2025**

Michael Chambers motioned to approve the minutes from the October 20, 2025, meeting; Trevor McAleer seconded. The minutes were approved by unanimous vote, as written.

### **III. – PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

### **IV. – CONTRACTS AND AWARDS**

#### **A. – Tabled Items**

#### **B. – New Items for Review**

##### **BC2025-666**

Department of Public Works, submitting an amendment to an agreement via Contract No. 3400 with Nautica Entertainment, LLC for County-owned properties located in the Flats beneath the Main Avenue Bridge, Cleveland, Permanent Parcel Nos. 003-16-030 and 003-17-004 for the period 4/1/2011 – 3/31/2026 to extend the time period to 3/31/2031, to change the terms by increasing the annual base rent and for additional revenue in the total amount of \$13,500.00, effective upon signatures of all parties.

Funding Source: Revenue Generating

John Myers, Department of Department of Public Works, presented. There were no questions. Michael Chambers motioned to approve the item; Paul Porter seconded. Item BC2025-666 was approved by unanimous vote.

#### **BC2025-667**

Department of Information Technology,

- a) Submitting an RFP exemption, which will result in an award recommendation to Amazon Web Services in the amount not-to-exceed \$288,000.00 for Cloud Hosting Services, disaster recovery backup and secure application access for external employees for the Enterprise Resource Planning System for the period 1/1/2026 – 12/31/2026.
- b) Recommending an award on Purchase Order No. 25004088 to Amazon Web Services in the amount not-to-exceed \$288,000.00 for Cloud Hosting Services, disaster recovery backup and secure application access for external employees for the Enterprise Resource Planning System for the period 1/1/2026 – 12/31/2026.

Funding Source: General Fund

Brianna Witt, Department of Information Technology, presented. There were no questions. Michael Chambers motioned to approve the item; Robert Schleper seconded. Item BC2025-667 was approved by unanimous vote.

#### **BC2025-668**

Department of Information Technology,

- a) Submitting an RFP exemption, which will result in an award recommendation to Feathery, Inc. in the amount not-to-exceed \$79,860.00 for the purchase of a cloud hosted platform to build smart, customizable forms for collecting and managing data such as applications, and other documents including 500 monthly submissions and Salesforce integration for a period of 3 years, effective upon signatures of all parties.
- b) Recommending an award and enter into Contract No. 5685 with Feathery, Inc. in the amount not-to-exceed \$79,860.00 for the purchase of a cloud hosted platform to build smart, customizable forms for collecting and managing data such as applications, and other documents including 500 monthly submissions and Salesforce integration for a period of 3 years, effective upon signatures of all parties.

Funding Source: General Fund

Brianna Witt, Department of Information Technology, presented. There were no questions. Michael Chambers motioned to approve the item; Robert Schleper seconded. Item BC2025-668 was approved by unanimous vote.

**BC2025-669**

Court of Common Pleas/Corrections Planning Board, recommending an award and enter into Agreement No. 5693 with Cuyahoga County Board of Developmental Disabilities in the amount not-to-exceed \$231,252.62 for ADAPT Forensics Liaison services for the Cuyahoga County Offenders with Developmental Disabilities Program for the period 7/1/2025 – 6/30/2027.

Funding Source: Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction Community Corrections Act Grant

Meghan Patton, Court of Common Pleas/Corrections Planning Board, presented. There were no questions. Michael Chambers motioned to approve the item; Trevor McAleer seconded. Item BC2025-669 was approved by unanimous vote.

**BC2025-670**

Sheriff's Department, recommending an award on Purchase Order No. 25004081 with Vance Outdoors, Inc. dba Vance's Law Enforcement in the amount not-to-exceed \$18,582.90 for a state contract purchase of (12) cases of Critical Duty and (70) cases of training ammunition for Protective Service Officers.

Funding Source: General Fund

Chris Costin, Sheriff's Department, presented. There were no questions. Michael Chambers motioned to approve the item; Robert Schleper seconded. Item BC2025-670 was approved by unanimous vote.

**BC2025-671**

Medical Examiner's Office, recommending to amend Board of Control Approval No. BC2024-364, dated 5/13/2024, which amended various Board Approvals, which approved an award to Qualtrax, Incorporated for a sole source purchase of (105) Qualtrax Compliance Software Licenses and Hosted Platform and related training services:

- a) by changing the not-to-exceed amount from \$65,500.26 to \$80,969.25.
- b) by changing the time period from 5/1/2021 – 4/30/2025 to 5/1/2021 – 4/30/2026.

Funding Source: FY2024 Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement Program Grant

Hugh Shannon, Medical Examiner's Office, presented. There were no questions. Michael Chambers motioned to approve the item; Trevor McAleer seconded. Item BC2025-671 was approved by unanimous vote.

**BC2025-672**

Department of Public Safety and Justice Services on behalf of the Medical Examiner's Office, recommending an award on RQ16237 and enter into Contract No. 5683 with Knupp & Watson & Wallman, Inc. dba KW2 (59-5) in the amount not-to-exceed \$419,000.00 for public health communication and education campaign to reduce drug overdose fatalities, effective upon signatures of all parties through 8/30/2026.

Funding Source: U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance FY23 Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Use Site-based grant

Mary Beth Vaughn, Department of Public Safety and Justice Services, presented. There were no questions. Michael Chambers motioned to approve the item; Mellany Seay seconded. Item BC2025-672 was approved by unanimous vote.

#### **BC2025-673**

Department of Health and Human Services/Division of Children and Family Services, recommending an award and enter into Agreement No. 5686 with Court of Common Pleas/Juvenile Court Division in the amount not-to-exceed \$44,000.00 for psychological evaluation services for the period 1/1/2026 – 12/31/2027.

Funding Source: Health and Human Services Levy Fund

Marcos Cortes, Department of Health and Human Services, presented. Robert Schleper asked how many individuals would be seen under this program. Michael Chambers motioned to approve the item; Robert Schleper seconded. Item BC2025-673 was approved by unanimous vote.

#### **BC2025-674**

Department of Health and Human Services/Division of Senior and Adult Services, submitting an amendment to Contract No. 3855 with The Center for Community Solutions for fiscal agent and management services for the Council on Older Persons for the period 1/1/2024 – 12/31/2025 to extend the time period to 12/31/2026 and for additional funds in the amount not-to-exceed \$20,000.00, effective 1/1/2026.

Funding Source: Health and Human Services Levy Fund

Marcos Cortes, Department of Health and Human Services, presented. There were no questions. Michael Chambers motioned to approve the item; Trevor McAleer seconded. Item BC2025-674 was approved by unanimous vote.

#### **BC2025-675**

Department of Health and Human Services/Community Initiatives Division/Family and Children First Council submitting an amendment to Contract No. 3839 with Educational Service Center of Northeast Ohio for programming and fiscal agent services for the Families and Schools Together (FAST) Program for the period 1/1/2024 – 12/31/2025 to extend time period to 12/31/2027, to replace the insurance requirements, and for additional funds in the amount not-to-exceed \$680,000.00, effective 1/1/2026.

Funding Source: Health and Human Services Levy Fund

Kathleen Stewart, Family and Children First Council, presented. There were no questions. Michael Chambers motioned to approve the item; Paul Porter seconded. Item BC2025-675 was approved by unanimous vote.

## C. – Exemptions

### BC2025-676

Department of Health and Human Services/Division of Children and Family Services, recommending an alternative procurement process to issue a modified formal solicitation for Out-of-home care placement services in Cuyahoga County which may result in one or more award recommendations for the period 4/1/2026 – 3/31/2029 in the total anticipated amount of \$195,000,000.00.

Marcos Cortes, Department of Health and Human Services, presented. There were no questions. Michael Chambers motioned to approve the item; Trevor McAleer seconded. Item BC2025-676 was approved by unanimous vote.

Funding Source: 65% Health and Human Services Levy Funds and 35% Title IV-E

## D. – Consent Agenda

There were no questions or comments on the Consent Agenda items. Michael Chambers motioned to approve Consent Agenda Item No. BC2025-677 through BC2025-678; Mellany Seay seconded. The Consent Agenda Items were approved by unanimous vote.

### BC2025-677

Fiscal Department, presenting proposed travel/membership requests for the week of 10/27/2025:

Dept:	Department of Sustainability							
Event:	2025 National Place Based Education Conference							
Source:	Great Lakes Stewardship Initiative							
Location:	Ypsilanti, MI							
Staff	Travel Dates	Registration *	Meals **	Lodging **	Ground TRN/ Mileage **	Air ***	Total	Funding Source
Emily Bacha	11/13/2025- 11/14/2025	\$350.00	\$32.00	\$187.59	\$232.40	\$0.00	\$801.99	HUD Fresh Water Institute Grant

\*Paid to host

\*\*Staff reimbursement

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

Purpose:

Travel to present at Fresh Water Institute at National Place Based Education Conference in Ypsilanti, MI.

Dept:	County Executive's Office
Event:	C40 World Mayors Summit/ COP30 Local Leaders Forum
Source:	Bloomberg Philanthropies
Location:	Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

Staff	Travel Dates	Registration *	Meals **	Lodging **	Ground TRN/ Mileage **	Air ***	Total	Funding Source
Christopher Ronayne	11/1/2025 - 11/6/2025	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	Bloomberg Philanthropies

\*Paid to host

\*\*Staff reimbursement

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

\*\*\*Estimated cost to be paid by Bloomberg \$5,900.00

- Flight \$2,800.00
- Hotel \$2,600.00
- Meals & Transportation \$500.00

Purpose:

Executive Ronayne was invited to attend the C40 World Mayors Summit 2025 by Bloomberg Philanthropies to participate in a convening of global leaders in climate leadership. The purpose of the Convening is to elevate the critical roles of local governments to influence policy and highlight projects in Cuyahoga County. Travel expenses related to this trip will be paid in full by Bloomberg Philanthropies.

Dept:	Department of Law							
Event:	Chief Risk Officer Certificate Program							
Source:	Carnegie Mellon University Heinz College							
Location:	Pittsburgh, PA							
Staff	Travel Dates	Registration *	Meals **	Lodging **	Ground TRN/ Mileage **	Air ***	Total	Funding Source
Awatef Assad	11/12/2025 5/5/2026	\$14,280.00	\$0.00	\$900.00	\$383.60	\$0.00	\$15,563.60	General Fund

\*Paid to host

\*\*Staff reimbursement

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

Purpose:

I have been offered the opportunity to attend the Chief Risk Officer (CRO) certificate program at Heinz College Carnegie Mellon University. This is a six-month program that is offered through a blend of distance and on campus learning. The program is a strategic investment for the county. Through my participation in the CRO program. The county gains a stronger Enterprise Risk Management (ERM) program and resilience strategy. I will be exposed to national networks. And the expertise to elevate risk management as a core pillar of county governance.

**BC2025-678**

Department of Purchasing, presenting proposed purchases for the week of 10/27/2025:

**Direct Open Market Purchases**  
**(Purchases between \$10,000.01 - \$200,000.00 unless requiring assistance from**  
**the Department of Purchasing – See Below):**

Purchase Order Number	Description	Department	Vendor Name	Total	Funding Source
25004126	(1) 2026 New Never Titled Ford Maverick SuperCrew Truck	Department of Public Works	KG Cleveland LLC dba Ken Ganley Ford West	\$33,871.00	General Fund

**Items/Services Received and Invoiced but not Paid:**

Purchase Order Number	Description	Department	Vendor Name	Total	Funding Source
25003975	Out-of-home care placement services for the period 9/1/2025-9/30/2025 *	Division of Children and Family Services	White Deer Run, LLC dba Cove Prep	\$89,250.00	65% Health and Human Services Levy Fund and 35% Title IV-E Reimbursement Fund
25004078	Out-of-home care placement services for the period 8/14/2025-8/31/2025*	Division of Children and Family Services	Care One Home Health Care Services, LLC	\$15,766.00	65% Health and Human Services Levy Fund and 35% Title IV-E Reimbursement Fund

\*Approval No. BC2025-324, dated 5/12/2025, which amended BC2024-987 dated 12/23/2024, which amended multiple prior approved alternate procurement processes resulting in purchase orders to various licensed providers for reimbursement for out of home care placement services for the period 12/1/2022 – 12/31/2025 in the amount not-to-exceed \$1,500,000.00 by changing the amount not-to-exceed from \$1,500,000.00 to \$1,750,000.00.

**V- OTHER BUSINESS**

**Item of Note (non-voted)**

**Item No. 1**

Department of Health and Human Services/Office of the Director, submitting a grant agreement with Ohio Department of Health in the amount not-to-exceed \$21,652.41 for the reimbursement of public health activities associated with the Tuberculosis Control Program for the period 7/1/2025 – 12/31/2025.

Funding Source: Ohio Department of Health Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) – Tuberculosis Elimination and Laboratory Cooperative Agreement

**Item No. 2**

**Contracts up to \$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	3878	The Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District	for disposal of wastewater sewer grit, <b>is amended to increase the disposal rate to an amount not to exceed \$172.78 per ton, effective 11/1/2025, and to an amount not to exceed \$175.00 per ton, effective 1/1/2026</b>	0.00	Department of Public Works	1/1/2024 – 10/31/2025 <b>to extend the time period to 10/31/2026</b>	(Original) Sanitary Sewer Fund	(Executive) 10/14/2025 (Law) 10/14/2025
8219	5381 (fka 2277)	Brown and Caldwell	for general sanitary engineering services	0.00	Department of Public Works	5/10/2022- 2/28/2026 <b>to extend the time period to 2/28/2027</b>	(Original) Sanitary Operating Fund	(Executive) 10/17/2025 (Law) 10/22/2025
NA	3428	Tungsten Industrial LLC	to provide a County Match Funding Forgivable loan for certain brownfield remediation and cleanup activities associated with Project Tungsten located at 21800 Tungsten Road, Euclid, Ohio <b>to change the terms of Section 1.10 Loan Forgiveness to add additional loan forgiveness terms, effective upon signatures of all parties.</b>	0.00	Department of Development	5/10/2023- 5/10/2026	(Original) General Fund - American Rescue Plan Act Revenue Replacement (ARPA)/ Provision of Government Services	(Executive) 10/22/2025 (Law) 10/22/2025
NA	4746	Third Sector Capital Partners, LLC.	for professional and technical services to support the Court and various youth-serving system partners and	0.00	Court of Common Pleas/ Juvenile Court Division	8/1/2024 - 10/31/2025 <b>to extend the time period to 2/28/2026</b>	(Original) Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency	(Executive) 10/17/2025



			development of the Care First Cuyahoga ("CFC") Continuum of Care Program for youths, and their families				Prevention Grant	
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**Various Agreements – Processed and executed (no vote required)**

Approving Resolution	Public convenience and welfare project description	Total Estimated Project Cost	Total Actual Project Cost	Funding Source	Date of Execution
R2025-0222	Rehabilitation of Rockside Road from 700 feet West of Lombardo Center to SR 21 in the Cities of Independence and Seven Hills- Council District 6	\$5,000,000.00		80% Federal Funds (\$4,000,000.00) 10% County Road and Bridge Funds (\$500,000.00) 8% City of Independence (\$400,000.00) 2% City of Seven Hills (\$100,000.00)	(Executive) 10/17/2025

**VI – PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

**VII – ADJOURNMENT**

Michael Chambers motioned to adjourn; Paul Porter seconded. The motion to adjourn was unanimously approved at 11:17 a.m.