

Minutes

Cuyahoga County Board of Control
Tuesday, January 27, 2026 - 11:00 A.M.
County Headquarters
2079 East Ninth Street
Committee Room B

I – CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 11:01 a.m.

Attending:

Michael Chambers, Fiscal Officer, serving as Chairman
Nichole English, Administrator, Planning and Programming, Department of Public Works
(Alternate for Michael Dever)
Paul Porter, Director, Department of Purchasing
Councilmember Meredith Turner
Laura Black, County Council (Alternate for Councilmember Michael Houser)
Councilmember Robert Schleper

II. – REVIEW MINUTES – 1/21/2026

Michael Chambers motioned to approve the minutes from the January 21, 2026, meeting; Meredith Turner 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

BC2026-21

Department of Public Works, submitting an amendment to Contract No. 4459 with Schirmer Construction LLC for pier repairs on West 150th Street Bridge No. 01.94 over Chatfield Avenue, Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority, Norfolk Southern Railroad and Emery Road Extension in the City of Cleveland for the period 7/10/2024 through project completion and for additional funds in the amount not-to-exceed \$127,192.82, effective upon signatures of all parties.

Funding Source: County Motor Vehicle \$7.50 License Tax Funds

Nichole English, Department of Public Works, presented. There were no questions. Michael Chambers motioned to approve the item; Paul Porter seconded. Item BC2026-21 was approved by unanimous vote.

BC2026-22

Department of Public Works,

- a) Submitting an RFP exemption, which will result in an award recommendation to Home Depot U. S. A., Inc. in the amount not-to-exceed \$40,000.00 for routine equipment and material purchases for operational needs for various County Facilities on and as needed basis for the period 1/1/2026 – 12/31/2026.
- b) Recommending an award on Purchase Order No. 26000169 to Home Depot U. S. A., Inc. in the amount not-to-exceed \$40,000.00 for routine equipment and material purchases for operational needs for various County Facilities on and as needed basis for the period 1/1/2026 – 12/31/2026.

Funding Source: General Fund

Thomas Pavich, Department of Public Works, presented. Meredith Turner asked what the timeframe for completion of the new agreement is; asked so you'll come back before us with the contract. Nichole English commented the issue we face with some of these companies is really we need them more than they need us and so it's difficult to get them to adjust to our terms. Michael Chambers motioned to approve the item; Meredith Turner seconded. Item BC2026-22 was approved by unanimous vote.

BC2026-23

Fiscal Office, submitting an amendment to Contract No. 5864 (fka Contract Nos. 5061, 4990, and 2127) with Neumo Tax & Licensing, LLC formerly known as GovOS, Inc., for a cloud-based records management system, support and maintenance services for the Fiscal Department/Transfer and Recording Division for the period 2/10/2022 - 2/9/2027, to modify the scope of services to include the design and development of a new fraud prevention tool as outlined in Schedule D, and for additional funds in the amount not-to-exceed \$100,000.00, effective upon signatures of all parties.

Funding Source: Real Estate Assessment Fund

Brian O'Malley, Fiscal Department/Transfer and Recording Division, presented. Mr. O'Malley commented about the ongoing nationwide problem that has gotten worse over the last decade surrounding deed fraud and deed theft. We do all the checks that we can, but we are powerless because criminals find a way to go around these checks. We are requesting Neumo to develop something like a two-factor authentication for the deed for your property enabling you to lock it down. Once you're registered and a deed is presented to us for your property, you'd get an e-mail or text saying, "Is this you?" If no, this would basically stop the deed fraud in progress. Michael Chamber supplemented that when deeds come in and they have a valid notary and the deed is recorded and everything complete, it's only after the fact that people realize that their house has been taken and then sold. There's a bunch of people that end up getting hurt, the people that lost their house and the people who bought the house. This is a way to stop this. Once this is up and running we will do a community outreach so individuals can sign up. Meredith Turner asked was this on the SCAMO game; she further commented she never heard of this scam before. Brian O'Malley commented this started in 2008 when a lot of lenders walked away from properties, it just became a criminal's playground after that with so many vacant properties out there. Michael Chambers motioned to approve the item; Meredith Turner seconded. Item BC2026-23 was approved by unanimous vote.

BC2026-24

Department of Information Technology, recommending an award on Purchase Order No. 26000130 to SHI International Corp. in the amount not-to-exceed \$82,822.00 for a joint cooperative purchase for the renewal of Coreview licenses (5,000) each Enterprise and Audit and (1) Premium support license for the period 3/25/2026 – 3/24/2027.

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 BC2026-24 was approved by unanimous vote.

BC2026-25

Court of Common Pleas/Juvenile Court Division, submitting an amendment to Contract No. 5859 (fka Contract Nos. 4945, 4019) with Bellefaire Jewish Children's Bureau to provide Integrative Co-occurring treatment (ICT) to eligible youth for the period 7/1/2023 – 6/30/2026 to extend the time period to 6/30/2027, to change the scope of services and terms, replace the insurance requirements and for additional funds in the amount not-to-exceed \$200,000.00 effective upon signatures of all parties.

Funding Source: RECLAIM Grant

Jennifer Howard, Court of Common Pleas/Juvenile Court Division, presented. There were no questions. Michael Chambers motioned to approve the item; Paul Porter seconded. Item BC2026-25 was approved by unanimous vote.

BC2026-26

Department of Public Safety and Justice Services, submitting a Revenue Generating Agreement (via Contract No. 5842) with City of Strongsville in the amount not-to-exceed \$101,664.00 for reimbursement of related expenses for use of (4) additional Motorola NG9-1-1 workstations, located at 17000 Prospect Road, Strongsville for the period 4/1/2025 - 3/31/2028.

Funding Source: Revenue Generating – revenue will be deposited into Wireless 9-1-1 Government Assistance Fund

Mary Beth Vaughn, Department of Public Safety and Justice Services, presented. There were no questions. Michael Chambers motioned to approve the item; Robert Schleper seconded. Item BC2026-26 was approved by unanimous vote.

BC2026-27

Department of Health and Human Services/Division of Senior and Adult Services, submitting an amendment to Contract No. 4013 with Lutheran Metropolitan Ministry for adult guardianship services for the period 1/1/2024 – 12/31/2025 to extend the time period to 12/31/2026, to change the scope of services and terms, add Exhibit II-B representing the budget for the amendment term, and for additional funds in the amount not-to-exceed \$675,000.00, effective 1/1/2026.

Funding Source: Health and Human Services Levy Fund

Marcos Cortes, Department of Health and Human Services, presented. Michael Chambers motioned to approve the item; Robert Schleper seconded. Item BC2026-27 was approved by unanimous vote. Meredith Turner proposed a question after the vote; how are these clients determined to be unable to care for themselves; is that Probate; you said something after DSAS' assessment is done what was that.

BC2026-28

Department of Health and Human Services/Division of Senior and Adult Services, submitting an amendment to Contract No. 5024 with CMT Consulting, Ltd. for targeted, digital display and video advertising and related services to promote services available for women ages 35-75 across various Cuyahoga County zip codes for the period 1/1/2025 – 12/31/2025 to extend the time period to 12/31/2026, to add Exhibit 3 representing the budget for the amendment term, and for additional funds in the amount not-to-exceed \$23,000.00.

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; Meredith Turner seconded. Item BC2026-28 was approved by unanimous vote.

C. – Exemptions

BC2026-29

Department of Health and Human Services/Division of Children and Family Services, recommending to amend Board of Control Approval No. BC2025-324, dated 5/12/2025, 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 to extend the time period to 12/31/2026 and to change the total amount not-to-exceed from \$1,750,000.00 to \$2,000,000.00.

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

Marcos Cortes, Department of Health and Human Services, presented. There were no questions. Michael Chambers motioned to approve the item; Paul Porter seconded. Item BC2026-29 was approved by unanimous vote.

D. – Consent Agenda

There were no questions or comments on the Consent Agenda items. Michael Chambers motioned to approve Consent Agenda Item No. BC2026-30; Robert Schleper seconded. The Consent Agenda Items were approved by unanimous vote.

BC2026-30

Department of Purchasing, presenting proposed purchases for the week of 1/27/2026:

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
25005018	Asbestos removal services at the Justice Center	Department of Public Works	AAA American Abatement and Asbestos Removal Corporation	\$22,078.00	General Fund
25005099	Various sizes of promotional t-shirts for the Animal Shelter	Department of Public Works	Axent Graphics Inc	Not-to-exceed \$22,000.00	General Fund
26000123	Annual order of (650) cases of personal care products for female inmates	Sheriff's Department	CWGC LA Inc. dba SierraSoft Corp.	\$11,017.50	General Fund
26000154	Annual order of (2,685) Sweatshirts for inmates in various colors and sizes	Sheriff's Department	Victory Supply LLC	\$18,097.40	General Fund
26000158	Annual order of (6,780) T-shirts for inmates in various colors and sizes	Sheriff's Department	Victory Supply LLC	\$18,775.80	General Fund
26000188	Annual order of (11,400) undergarments for male inmates in various sizes	Sheriff's Department	Bids Supply, Inc.	\$12,937.50	General Fund

Items/Services Received and Invoiced but not Paid:

Purchase Order Number	Description	Department	Vendor Name	Total	Funding Source
26000082	Emergency veterinary services for the Animal Shelter for November and December 2025*	Department of Public Works	Karen Ganofsky, DVM	\$18,797.75	50% Dog Kennel Operations Fund and 50% Dick Goddard Best Friend Fund

*Approval No. BC2025-432, dated 6/30/2025 which amended BC2023-453, dated 7/17/2023, which authorized an alternative procurement process resulting in purchase orders to various providers for medical, surgical and animal care services for the period 7/1/2023 – 6/30/2025, to extend the time period to 12/31/2027 and for additional funds in the amount not-to-exceed \$150,000.00.

V- OTHER BUSINESS

Item of Note (non-voted)

Item No. 1/CON2026-05

Cuyahoga County Law Library, requesting authority to submit a grant application to the Statewide Consortium of County Law Library Resources Boards to receive a 25% credit off of the 2% dues which are due to the Consortium for FY2026 dues.

Funding Source: Statewide Consortium of County Law Library Resources Board

Item No. 2/CON2026-06

Department of Public Safety and Justice Services, submitting an amendment to a Grant Agreement with the Ohio Department of Public Safety, Emergency Management Agency for the FY2023 Urban Area Security Initiative Grant Program for the period 9/1/2023 – 12/31/2025, to extend the time period 7/31/2026; no additional funds required.

Funding Source: FY2023 Urban Area Security Initiative Grant Program

Item No. 3/CON2026-07

Department of Health and Human Services/Division of Senior and Adult Services, submitting a grant agreement with Western Reserve Area Agency on Aging in the amount of \$24,377.67 for the Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act (MIPPA) Medicare Savings Programs, Low-income Subsidy and Prescription Drug Assistance through the Aging Network, State Health Insurance Program (SHIP) and Aging and Disability Resource Centers for the period 9/1/2025 – 8/31/2026.

Funding Source: Western Reserve Area Agency on Aging through the Federal Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act (MIPPA)

Item No. 4

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
RQ46567 (BuySpeed)	2420 (fka CE1900408)	Hanna Commercial, LLC	for property management services for the Medical Examiner building and parking garage, located at 11001 Cedar Avenue, Cleveland	0.00	Department of Public Works	1/1/2020-12/31/2025 to extend the time period to 12/31/2027	(Original) General Fund	(Executive) 1/21/2026 (Law) 1/16/2026
RQ 14044	4774	Keen Independent Research LLC	For a Disparity Study of Minority and Woman-Owned Businesses in Cuyahoga County and surrounding geographic areas	0.00	Department of Equity and Inclusion	9/17/2024-12/31/2025 to extend the time period to 6/30/2026	(Original) General Fund	(Executive) 1/21/2026 (Law) 1/21/2026

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 11:20 a.m.