

Minutes

Cuyahoga County Board of Control
Monday, May 4, 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:

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
Councilmember Meredith Turner
Joseph Nanni, County Council (Alternate for Councilmember Michael Houser)
Laura Black, County Council (Alternate for Councilmember Robert Schleper)

II. – REVIEW MINUTES – 4/27/2026

Michael Chambers motioned to approve the minutes from the April 27, 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

BC2026-219

Department of Public Works, recommending an award on Purchase Order No. 26001597 to Johnson Controls Fire Protection LP, dba Johnson Controls, Inc. in the amount not-to-exceed \$39,748.95 for a joint cooperative purchase of a replacement fire control panel located in the Juvenile Justice Facility, including parts and installation.

Funding Source: General Fund

Thomas Pavich, Department of Public Works, presented. There were no questions. Michael Chambers motioned to approve the item; Meredith Turner seconded. Item BC2026-219 was approved by unanimous vote.

BC2026-220

Department of Development, recommending an award on Purchase Order No. 26001583 with Carahsoft Technology Corp. in the amount not-to-exceed \$72,425.67 for a state contract purchase for the renewal of (1) Salesforce Government Cloud Plus and (15) Public Sector Foundation Advanced-Unlimited Edition subscription services for the period 5/1/2026 - 4/30/2027.

Funding Source: General Fund

Nicholas Fedor, Department of Development, presented. There were no questions. Michael Chambers motioned to approve the item; Joseph Nanni seconded. Item BC2026-220 was approved by unanimous vote.

BC2026-221

Department of Development,

- a) Submitting an RFP exemption, which will result in a Grant Agreement with Global Cleveland in the amount not-to-exceed \$135,000.00 for general operating support for a period of 1 year, effective upon signatures of all parties.

- b) Recommending an award and enter into a Grant Agreement (via Contract No. 6158) with Global Cleveland in the amount not-to-exceed \$135,000.00 for general operating support for a period of 1 year, effective upon signatures of all parties.

Funding Source: General Fund

Paul Herdeg, Department of Development, presented. Meredith Turner asked for a quick update. Joe Cimperman, President and CEO of Global Cleveland, provided an update and expressed his appreciation to Paul Herdeg for his outstanding partnership and service. He noted that these are particularly challenging times for many in our international community. Recent visa changes have affected individuals who are here legally, and Global Cleveland continues to work diligently to identify lawful avenues to help people maintain their status and employment. Despite these challenges, and thanks to the leadership of Director Herdeg, the County Executive, and County Council, the County's population has grown for the second consecutive year—driven in large part by the contributions of our immigrant community. Mr. Cimperman shared his optimism that as future administrations recognize the vital role international newcomers, refugees, and immigrants play in economic growth and community well-being, we will be positioned for even stronger progress. He emphasized that this work would not be possible without the support of Cuyahoga County, one of only two counties in Ohio with a dedicated welcome center. In response to a question from Meredith Turner regarding which visa is undergoing changes, Mr. Cimperman explained that it is the Special Immigrant Visa (SIV) for individuals who have supported U.S. armed forces in conflict zones. He described a recent case involving a fully documented individual preparing for their citizenship test who was unexpectedly detained for two weeks. Thanks to

support from a program volunteer and attorney, the matter was resolved. Ms. Turner noted that this example underscores the critical importance of Global Cleveland’s work and expressed appreciation for the organization’s partnership. Michael Chambers motioned to approve the item; Meredith Turner seconded. Item BC2026-221 was approved by unanimous vote.

BC2026-222

Department of Development,

- a) Submitting an RFP exemption, which will result in a Grant Agreement with Greater Cleveland Media Development Corporation in the amount not-to-exceed \$189,000.00 for general operating support for a period of 1 year, effective upon signatures of all parties.
- b) Recommending an award and enter into a Grant Agreement (via Contract No. 6200) Greater Cleveland Media Development Corporation in the amount not-to-exceed \$189,000.00 for general operating support for a period of 1 year, effective upon signatures of all parties.

Funding Source: General Fund

Paul Herdeg, Department of Development, presented. Meredith Turner asked do you have any programs that support youth internships or fellowship opportunities. Bill Garvey, President of the Greater Cleveland Sports Commission, responded by explaining that one of their core missions is the Workforce Development Program. He emphasized that without a strong crew base, Northeast Ohio cannot attract production companies to choose this region. Their programming is developed in partnership with CMSD, and tomorrow he will be teaching a class at the High School for Digital Arts. The goal is to introduce students to the responsibilities and skills required across the many careers within the local motion-picture industry. Garvey noted that while most people think of camera work—where only four camera jobs exist on a typical film—there are over 140 other roles that are rarely taught anywhere. This is where the Commission’s program plays a critical role. They act as the “connective tissue” among local educational institutions, which already do a strong job teaching camera work, graphic design, and other creative skills. The Commission complements this by teaching the film side of the business—the essential knowledge every role on a production, from actor to director to grip to electrician, must have in order to build a sustainable career. He also shared that each year they provide programming information to the County Executive and County Council so that it can be distributed to constituents and throughout the communities. Meredith Turner responded, “Wow, great.” Michael Chambers motioned to approve the item; Meredith Turner seconded. Item BC2026-222 was approved by unanimous vote.

BC2026-223

Department of Information Technology, recommending an award on Purchase Order No. 26001539 to SHI International Corp. in the amount not-to-exceed \$99,556.68 for a joint cooperative purchase for the renewal of various SolarWinds products, subscription services, maintenance, licensing and support for the period 7/28/2026 – 7/28/2027.

Funding Source: 89.80% General Fund; 10.20% Health and Human Services Levy Fund

Brianna Witt, Department of Information Technology, presented. There were no questions. Michael Chambers motioned to approve the item; Joseph Nanni seconded. Item BC2026-223 was approved by unanimous vote.

BC2026-224

Department of Information Technology,

- a) Submitting an RFP exemption, which will result in an award recommendation to Nearmap US, Inc. in the amount not-to-exceed \$191,406.80 for the purchase of Nearmap Ortho, Oblique Imagery and GIS Integration subscription services at cooperative purchasing pricing for the period 4/17/2026 – 4/16/2027.

- b) Recommending an award on Purchase Order No. 26001632 to Nearmap US, Inc. in the amount not-to-exceed \$191,406.80 for the purchase of Nearmap Ortho, Oblique Imagery and GIS Integration subscription services at cooperative purchasing pricing for the period 4/17/2026 – 4/16/2027.

Funding Source: Real Estate Assessment Fund

Brianna Witt, Department of Information Technology, presented. Meredith Turner asked what we do with this information. Michael Chambers motioned to approve the item; Meredith Turner seconded. Item BC2026-224 was approved by unanimous vote.

BC2026-225

Department of Human Resources, recommending an award and enter into Contract No. 6152 with Truevalue Screening, LLC dba Veritable Screening (701-6) in the amount not-to-exceed \$185,000.00 for pre-employment background screening services, effective upon signatures of all parties through 3/31/2029.

Funding Source: General Fund

Stephen Witt, Department of Human Resources, presented. There were no questions. Michael Chambers motioned to approve the item; Meredith Turner seconded. Item BC2026-225 was approved by unanimous vote.

BC2026-226

Sheriff's Department, recommending an award on Purchase Order No. 26001610 with Vance Outdoors, Inc., dba Vance's Law Enforcement in the amount not-to-exceed \$86,588.50 for a state contract purchase of (605) cases of duty and training ammunition for Sheriff Deputies.

Funding Source: General Fund

Chris Costin, Sheriff's Department, presented and Lt. Steph Bartczak, provided responses to the questions presented. Meredith Turner asked about the intended use of the training ammunition, the frequency of its use, whether it is required for all personnel or specific individuals, whether a passing

score is required, and what procedures apply if someone does not pass. Michael Chambers motioned to approve the item; Meredith Turner seconded. Item BC2026-226 was approved by unanimous vote.

BC2026-227

Medical Examiner’s Office, recommending an award on Purchase Order No. 26001594 with Friends Service Co. Inc. dba FriendsOffice in the amount not-to-exceed \$45,178.94 for the state contract purchase of office furniture, including various parts, installation, and project management services.

Funding Source: Coroner Lab Fund

Hugh Shannon, Medical Examiner’s Office, presented. There were no questions. Michael Chambers motioned to approve the item; Joseph Nanni seconded. Item BC2026-227 was approved by unanimous vote.

BC2026-228

Department of Health and Human Services/Cuyahoga Job and Family Services, submitting an amendment to a Memorandum of Understanding (via Contract No. 5452) with Cleveland-Cuyahoga County Workforce Development Board to provide access to the Comprehensive Case Management and Employment Program (CMEP), Job Readiness and Training for Recipients of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families and Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) for the period 7/1/2025 – 6/30/2026 to extend the time period to 6/30/2027, supplement the budget by adding Exhibit B-II and for additional funds in the amount not-to-exceed \$131,806.00, effective 7/1/2026.

Funding Source: Federal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) dollars

Marcos Cortes, Department of Health and Human Services, presented. There were no questions. Michael Chambers motioned to approve the item; Meredith Turner seconded. Item BC2026-228 was approved by unanimous vote.

BC2026-229

Department of Health and Human Services/Community Initiatives Division/Office of Homeless Services, submitting an amendment to Contract No. 6166 (fka Contract Nos. 5184 and 3178) with Family Promise of Greater Cleveland for emergency shelter services for families in connection with the Continuum of Care program for the period 9/1/2022 – 8/31/2025 to extend the time period to 8/31/2026, to change various terms; supplement the budget by adding Exhibit II-C, effective 9/23/2025, and for additional funds in the amount not-to-exceed \$74,650.00, effective upon signatures of all parties.

Funding Source: U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Marcos Cortes, Department of Health and Human Services, presented. There were no questions. Michael Chambers motioned to approve the item; Paul Porter seconded. Item BC2026-229 was approved by unanimous vote.

BC2026-230

Department of Health and Human Services/Community Initiatives Division/Office of Homeless Services, submitting an amendment to Contract No. 6169 (fka Contract Nos. 5196 and 3045) with Fairhill Partners for emergency shelter and supportive services for seniors in connection with the Continuum of Care program for the period 9/1/2022 – 8/31/2025 to extend the time period to 8/31/2026 to change various terms; supplement the budget by adding Exhibit II-D, effective 9/23/2025, and for additional funds in the amount not-to-exceed \$22,860.81, effective upon signatures of all parties.

Funding Source: U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Marcos Cortes, Department of Health and Human Services, presented. There were no questions. Michael Chambers motioned to approve the item; Mellany Seay seconded. Item BC2026-230 was approved by unanimous vote.

C. – Consent Agenda

There were no questions or comments on the Consent Agenda items. Michael Chambers motioned to approve Consent Agenda Item No. BC2026-231; Meredith Turner seconded. The Consent Agenda Items were approved by unanimous vote.

BC2026-231

Department of Purchasing, presenting proposed purchases for the week of 5/4/2026.

Items/Services Received and Invoiced but not Paid:

Purchase Order Number	Description	Department	Vendor Name	Total	Funding Source
26001592	Out-of-home care placement services for the period 3/1/2026-3/31/2026 *	Division of Children and Family Services	RTC Resource Acquisition Corporation	\$20,150.00	65% Health and Human Services Levy Fund and 35% Title IV-E Reimbursement Fund

*Approval No. BC2026-29, dated 1/27/2026, which amended 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.

V- OTHER BUSINESS

Item of Note (non-voted)

ION2026-44

Department of Purchasing, on behalf of the County Treasurer’s Office, submitting an Item of Note in connection with the Master Services Agreement Contract No. 4645 with Keybank National Association for banking services and related routine payments for the period 10/1/2024 – 9/30/2028 to increase 2026 allocations for two user departments, provide funding sources and to remove a card holder for

Veterans Service Commission, in accordance with the Procurement Card Program Services section of the Master Services Agreement.

- a) Cuyahoga County Board of Development Disabilities from \$24,000.00 to \$40,500.00; General Fund
- b) Veterans Service Commission from \$66,000.00 to \$147,000.00; General Fund

Funding Source: General Fund

ION2026-45

Cuyahoga County Law Library, submitting a Memorandum of Understanding with Statewide Consortium of County Law Library Resources Boards to outline the terms and conditions to receive a grant award in the amount not-to-exceed \$3,684.02 for (2) laptops and wireless mice and (2) professional memberships in the American Association of Law Libraries and staff development conference attendance fees, effective upon signatures of all parties through 12/31/2026.

Funding Source: Statewide Consortium of County Law Library Resources Boards

ION2026-46

Department of Health and Human Services/Cuyahoga Job and Family Services, submitting a grant award from Care Alliance in the amount of \$500.00 for the 20th Annual Fatherhood Conference to be held on 6/12/2026.

Funding Source: Care Alliance

ION2026-47

Department of Health and Human Services/Cuyahoga Job and Family Services, submitting a grant award from CareSource in the amount of \$2,000.00 for the 20th Annual Fatherhood Conference to be held on 6/12/2026.

Funding Source: CareSource

ION2026-48

Department of Health and Human Services/Cuyahoga Job and Family Services, submitting a grant award from Dollar Bank in the amount of \$6,000.00 for the 20th Annual Fatherhood Conference to be held on 6/12/2026.

Funding Source: Dollar Bank

ION2026-49

Department of Health and Human Services/Cuyahoga Job and Family Services, submitting a grant award from the Meijer Corporation in the amount of \$500.00 for the 20th Annual Fatherhood Conference to be held on 6/12/2026.

Funding Source: Meijer Corporation

ION2026-50

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	6156	MRK Technologies, Ltd dba Inversion6	For a joint cooperative purchase of various Abnormal Cloud security subscription services; to amend various insurance terms and for ABNORMAL AI, INC to provide coverage to Cuyahoga County which exceeds the requirements set forth in Matrix, effective 3/28/2026.	\$0.00	Department of Information Technology	3/31/2026-3/30/2028	(Original) General Fund	(Executive) 4/28/2026
N/A	N/A	Cuyahoga Community College	Facility use, resource material, visual equipment and related services for the Minority & Small Business Employment Outreach Event	\$0.00	County Council	5/15/2026	N/A	(Executive) 4/28/2026

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
R2025-0267	Rehabilitation of the McCracken Road Bridge 01.36 over Mill Creek in the Cities of Garfield Heights and Maple Heights - Council District 8	\$3,000,000.00		80% Federal Funds (\$2,400,000.00) 20% Road and Bridge Fund (\$600,000.00)	(Executive) 4/28/2026
R2026-0010	Rehabilitation of Falls Road Bridge 01.72 over Griswold Creek in the Village of Hunting Valley - Council District 6	\$2,000,000.00		Road and Bridge Fund	(Executive) 4/28/2026

VI – PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

VII – ADJOURNMENT

Michael Chambers motioned to adjourn; Mellany Seay seconded. The motion to adjourn was unanimously approved at 11:24 a.m.