

MINUTES

CUYAHOGA COUNTY COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING MONDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2023
CUYAHOGA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS
C. ELLEN CONNALLY COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 4TH FLOOR
1:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

On behalf of Council President Jones, Councilmember Miller called the meeting to order at 1:06 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Councilmember Miller asked Clerk Richardson to call the roll. Councilmembers Sweeney, Tuma, Turner, Stephens, Kelly and Miller were in attendance and a quorum was determined. Councilmembers Gallagher, Schron, Conwell and Simon entered the meeting after the roll call was taken. Councilmember Jones was absent from the meeting.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

The following individuals addressed Council regarding funding for homeless services:

- 1) Mr. Paul Sherlock
- 2) Ms. Stephanie Thomas
- 3) Ms. Loh
- 4. MATTER REFERRED TO COMMITTEE / DISCUSSION:
 - a) R2023-0285: A Resolution adopting the 2024/2025 Biennial Operating Budget and Capital Improvements Program, and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective:
 - 1) General Government and Supportive Services:
 - a) County Council Chief of Staff Joseph Nanni

Mr. Joseph Nanni, Chief of Staff for County Council, addressed Council regarding budget requests for County Council. Discussion ensued.

Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. Nanni pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.

b) County Executive – Chief of Staff Erik Janas

Mr. Erik Janas, Chief of Staff for the County Executive's Office, addressed Council regarding budget requests for the County Executive's Office. Discussion ensued.

Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. Janas pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.

c) County Sheriff – Sheriff Harold Pretel

Mr. Harold Pretel, County Sheriff; Ms. Donna Kaleal, Finance Manager; Mr. Chris Costin, Business Administrator for the County Sheriff; and Mr. Walter Parfejewiec, Director of the Office of Budget and Management, addressed Council regarding budget requests for the County Sheriff. Discussion ensued.

Councilmembers asked questions of Sheriff Pretel, Ms. Kaleal, Mr. Costin and Mr. Parfejewiec pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.

 d) Department of Information Technology (including Enterprise Resource Planning System) – Chief Information Officer Andy Johnson

Mr. Andy Johnson, Chief Information Officer for the Department of Information Technology, addressed Council regarding budget requests for the Department of Information Technology. Discussion ensued.

Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. Johnson pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.

e) Fiscal Office (including Consumer Affairs) – Interim Chief Fiscal Officer Michael Chambers

Mr. Michael Chambers, Interim Chief Fiscal Officer, addressed Council regarding budget requests for the Fiscal Office (including Consumer Affairs). Discussion ensued.

Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. Chambers pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.

f) Office of the County Treasurer – Interim Chief Fiscal Officer Michael Chambers

Mr. Chambers and Ms. Lisa Rocco, Director of Operations for the Fiscal Office, addressed Council regarding budget requests for the Office of the County Treasurer. Discussion ensued.

Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. Chambers and Ms. Rocco pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.

 g) Office of Innovation and Performance – Chief of Operations and Community Innovation Katherine Gallagher

Ms. Katherine Gallagher, Chief of Operations and Community Innovation for the Office of Innovation and Performance, addressed Council regarding budget requests for the Office of Innovation and Performance. Discussion ensued.

Councilmembers asked questions of Ms. Gallagher pertaining to the item, which she answered accordingly.

h) Department of Purchasing – Director Paul Porter

Mr. Chambers addressed Council regarding budget requests for the Department of Purchasing. Discussion ensued.

Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. Chambers pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.

 Department of Equity and Inclusion – Director Lenora Lockett

Mr. Chambers addressed Council regarding budget requests for the Department of Equity and Inclusion. Discussion ensued.

Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. Chambers pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.

5. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Councilmember Miller announced that the next budget hearing will be held on November 2 at 1:00 p.m.

6. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business and on a motion by Councilmember Sweeney with a second by Councilmember Conwell, the meeting was adjourned at 4:20 p.m., without objection.