



MINUTES

**CUYAHOGA COUNTY COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2024
CUYAHOGA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS
2079 EAST 9th STREET
1:00 PM**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Council President Jones called the meeting to order at 1:04 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

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

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments given.

4. ITEMS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE:

Council President Jones passed the gavel to Mr. Miller, Chair of the Finance & Budgeting Committee.

- a) R2024-0414: A Resolution authorizing Purchase Order No. 24004227 with TEC Communications, Inc. in the amount not-to-exceed \$594,499.40 for a joint cooperative purchase for the renewal of various Cisco Voice licenses and support services for the period 10/31/2024 – 11/4/2025; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Mr. Matthew Hrubey, Business Services Manager, addressed Council regarding Resolution No. R2024-0414. Discussion ensued.

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

On a motion by Mr. Jones with a second by Ms. Conwell, Resolution No. R2024-0414 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda with a recommendation for passage under second reading suspension of the rules.

- b) R2024-0415: A Resolution authorizing Purchase Order No. 24004681 with Logicalis, Inc. in the amount not-to-exceed \$545,587.44 for the purchase of various NetApp hardware, software, related accessories and support services; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Mr. Hrubey, Business Services Manager, addressed Council regarding Resolution No. R2024-0415. Discussion ensued.

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

On a motion by Mr. Schron with a second by Mr. Byrne, Resolution No. R2024-0415 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda with a recommendation for passage under second reading suspension of the rules.

- c) R2024-0416: A Resolution authorizing an amendment to Contract No. 3096 (fka Contract No. 2698) with Alliant Insurance Services Inc. for insurance brokerage and risk management services for the period 1/1/2023 – 12/31/2024, to extend the time period to 12/31/2025 and for additional funds in the amount not-to-exceed \$2,374,000.00; authorizing the County Executive to execute the amendment and all other documents consistent with this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Ms. Awatef Assad, Deputy Director of Enterprise Risk Management; and Mr. Shane Storey, Vice President of Alliant Insurance Services Inc., addressed Council regarding Resolution No. R2024-0416. Discussion ensued.

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

On a motion by Ms. Turner with a second by Mr. Schron, Resolution No. R2024-0416 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda with a recommendation for passage under second reading suspension of the rules.

5. ITEM REFERRED TO COMMITTEE/DISCUSSION:

- a) R2024-0407: A Resolution adopting the 2024/2025 Biennial Operating Budget and Capital Improvements Program Annual Update for 2025; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective:

- i) Budget Overview Update and Summary Presentation – Office of Budget & Management – Director Walter Parfejewiec (Continued)

Mr. Walter Parfejewiec, Director of the Office of Budget and Management, provided Council with an overview of the revenue and expenditures as well as the authorized strength and vacancy credits relating to the 2024/2025 Capital Improvements Program Annual Update for 2025. Discussion ensued.

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

- i) The MetroHealth System – President and Chief Executive Officer Christine Alexander-Rager, MD

Dr. Christine Alexander-Rager, President and Chief Executive Officer of The MetroHealth System; and Mr. Derrick Hollings, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of The MetroHealth System, addressed Council regarding the budget for the hospital. Discussion ensued.

Councilmembers asked questions of Dr. Alexander-Rager and Mr. Hollings pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.

- ii) Department of Information Technology – Chief Information Officer Andy Johnson

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

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

6. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

There was no miscellaneous business.

7. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Chairman Miller adjourned the meeting at 2:54 p.m., without objection.