



CUYAHOGA COUNTY COUNCIL
EDUCATION, ENVIRONMENT & SUSTAINABILITY
COMMITTEE
CUYAHOGA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS
4th FLOOR

Committee Members

Sunny M. Simon, Chair | Dist. 11
Robert E. Schleper, Jr., Vice Chair | Dist. 6
Michael J. Houser, Sr. | Dist. 10
Pernel Jones, Jr. | Dist. 8
Dale Miller | Dist. 2

MEETING MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 21, 2026 — 3:00 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairwoman Simon called the meeting to order at 3:08 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Ms. Simon asked Deputy Clerk Carter to call the roll. Committee members Simon, Schleper, Houser, Jones and Miller were in attendance and a quorum was determined.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments given.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE DECEMBER 17, 2025 MEETING

A motion was made by Mr. Schleper, seconded by Mr. Miller and approved by unanimous vote to approve the minutes from the December 17, 2025 meeting.

5. MATTERS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

- a) R2026-0005: A Resolution authorizing an Amendment to a Grant Agreement with the Cleveland-Cuyahoga County Workforce Development Board for Component One of the Cuyahoga County Educational Assistance Program for the period ending 12/31/2025, to extend the time period to 8/31/2028 and for additional funds in the amount of \$500,000, for a total amount not-to-exceed \$1,000,000.00; authorizing the County Executive to execute the contract and all other documents consistent with said award and this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Mr. Joseph Nanni, Council Chief of Staff; and Ms. Laura Chalker, Chief Operating Officer of Greater Cleveland Works, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2026-0005. Discussion ensued.

Committee members asked questions of Mr. Nanni and Ms. Chalker pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.

On a motion by Ms. Simon with a second by Mr. Schleper, Resolution No. R2026-0005 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) R2026-0017: A Resolution authorizing a Subgrant Agreement with City of Cleveland in the total amount not-to-exceed \$14,882,505.00 to implement clean energy solutions and the installation of 10.2 megawatts (MW) of solar arrays at two landfills located within the City of Cleveland borders on Kolthoff Road and West 11th Street, for the period 10/1/2024 – 9/30/2029; authorizing the County Executive to execute the Subgrant Agreement No. 5743 and all other documents consistent with said agreements and this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Mr. Michael Foley, Administrator of Cuyahoga Green Energy, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2026-0017. Discussion ensued.

Committee members asked questions of Mr. Foley pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.

Committee members Jones, Schleper, Simon, Miller and Houser requested to have their names added as co-sponsors to the legislation.

6. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

There was no miscellaneous business.

7. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Chairwoman Simon adjourned the meeting at 3:27 p.m., without objection.