



## **MINUTES**

### **CUYAHOGA COUNTY HEALTH, HUMAN SERVICES & AGING COMMITTEE MEETING**

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2, 2025**

**CUYAHOGA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS**

**C. ELLEN CONNALLY COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 4<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR**

**1:00 PM**

#### **1. CALL TO ORDER**

**Vice Chair Sweeney called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.**

#### **2. ROLL CALL**

**Mr. Sweeney asked Assistant Deputy Clerk Georgakopoulos to call the roll. Committee members Sweeney, Casselberry, Schleper and Houser were in attendance and a quorum was determined. Chairwoman Conwell was absent. Council President Dale Miller was also in attendance.**

#### **3. PUBLIC COMMENT**

**There were no public comments given.**

#### **4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE MARCH 19, 2025 MEETING**

**A motion was made by Mr. Schleper, seconded by Mr. Casselberry and approved by unanimous vote to approve the minutes from the March 19, 2025 meeting.**

#### **5. MATTERS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE**

- a) R2025-0129: A Resolution authorizing an amendment to Contract No. 3013 with Lutheran Metropolitan Ministry for operations and case management services for a 400-bed Men's Emergency Shelter, located at 2100 Lakeside Avenue, Cleveland, and for facilitation and coordination of overflow shelter services for single adults and families at various locations for the period 1/1/2023 – 12/31/2024, to extend the time period to 10/31/2025, update Exhibit 3 to include Exhibits 3-D budget, and for additional funds in the amount not-to-exceed \$4,591,000.00, effective upon contract signature of all parties; 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.

**Mr. David Merriman, Director of the Department of Health and Human Services; Mr. Marcos Cortes, Administrator of the Division of Contracts and Performance and Acting Director for the Office of Homeless Services; Mr. Michael Sering, Chief Program Officer and Ms. Erin Kray, Director of Housing and Shelter for Lutheran Metropolitan Ministry; Ms. Allison Gill, Interim Executive Officer and Ms. Erin Rearden, Senior Administrator for the Office of Homeless Services, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2025-0129. Discussion ensued.**

**Committee members asked questions of Mr. Merriman, Mr. Cortes, Mr. Sering, Ms. Kray, Ms. Gill and Ms. Rearden pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.**

**On a motion by Mr. Casselberry with a second by Mr. Schleper, Resolution No. R2025-0129 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.**

**Mr. Sweeney and Mr. Casselberry requested to have their names added as co-sponsors to the legislation.**

## **6. PRESENTATION**

- a) West Side Community House 2023 Strategic Plan –  
Rachelle Milner, Executive Director, West Side Community House

**The presentation scheduled for West Side Community House was held and will be rescheduled for a future committee meeting, as Ms. Rachelle Milner was unable to attend the meeting.**

## **7. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS**

**Council President Miller commended Vice Chairman Sweeney on a job well done while filling in for Chairwoman Conwell.**

## **8. ADJOURNMENT**

**With no further business to discuss, Vice Chairman Sweeney adjourned the meeting at 1:18 p.m., without objection.**