



CUYAHOGA COUNTY COUNCIL

PUBLIC SAFETY & JUSTICE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

CUYAHOGA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS

4th FLOOR

MEETING MINUTES

TUESDAY, JUNE 16, 2026 — 1:00 P.M.

Committee Members

Michael J. Gallagher, Chair | Dist. 5

Patrick Kelly, Vice Chair | Dist. 1

Yvonne M. Conwell | Dist. 7

Sunny M. Simon | Dist. 11

Meredith M. Turner | Dist. 9

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Gallagher called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Mr. Gallagher asked Deputy Clerk Carter to call the roll. Committee members Gallagher, Kelly, Turner and Simon were in attendance and a quorum was determined. Committee member Conwell was in attendance after the roll call was taken. Council President Miller was also in attendance.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Dave Wondolowski addressed the Committee in support of Resolution No. R2026-0166, a Resolution amending the 2026/2027 Biennial Operating Budget for 2026 by providing for additional fiscal appropriations from the General Fund and other funding sources, for appropriation transfers between budget accounts and for cash transfers between budgetary funds.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE MAY 19, 2026 MEETING

A motion was made by Ms. Turner, seconded by Mr. Kelly and approved by unanimous vote to approve the minutes from the May 19, 2026 meeting.

5. MATTERS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

- a) R2026-0166: A Resolution amending the 2026/2027 Biennial Operating Budget for 2026 by providing for additional fiscal appropriations from the General Fund and other funding sources, for appropriation transfers between budget accounts and for cash transfers between budgetary funds, to meet the budgetary needs of various County departments, amending Resolution No. R2025-0350 dated 12/09/25; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Mr. Kelly addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2026-0166. Discussion ensued.

The Honorable Nicole Daley Jones, Mayor of the City of North Olmsted; Lt. Chuck Fioritto, City of North Olmsted Police Department; Ms. Jennifer Scofield, Director of Public Safety for the City of North Olmsted; and Ms. Brandy Carney, Director of the Department of Public Safety and Justice Services, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2026-0166. Discussion ensued.

Committee members and Councilmembers asked questions of Mayor Jones, Lt. Fioritto, Ms. Scofield and Ms. Carney pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.

The Honorable Chris Glassburn, State Representative for Ohio District 15, made a statement in support of Resolution No. R2026-0166.

A motion was made by Mr. Kelly, seconded by Ms. Simon and subsequently withdrawn to refer Resolution No. R2026-0166 to the full Council agenda for second reading.

On a motion by Mr. Kelly with a second by Ms. Simon, Resolution No. R2026-0166 was referred to the full Council agenda with a recommendation for passage under second reading suspension of the rules.

- b) O2026-0002: An Ordinance amending Title 14 of the Cuyahoga County Code to establish a code of General Offenses, to prohibit the endangerment of companion animals, and to renumber the existing Cuyahoga County Animal Abuse Registry from Chapter 1401 to Chapter 1403.

Ms. Simon addressed the Committee regarding Ordinance No. O2026-0002. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Michael King, Special Counsel, addressed the Committee regarding Ordinance No. O2026-0002. Discussion ensued.

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

On a motion by Ms. Simon with a second by Mr. Kelly, Ordinance No. O2026-0002 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda for second reading.

6. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

There was no miscellaneous business.

7. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Chairman Gallagher adjourned the meeting at 1:48 p.m., without objection.