

County Council of Cuyahoga County, Ohio

Ordinance No. O2012-0030

Sponsored by: County Executive FitzGerald/Department of Development	An Ordinance establishing the organizational structure of the Department of Development and creating divisions within the department, and declaring the necessity that this Ordinance become immediately effective.
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WHEREAS, Article VII, Section 7.02 of the Charter created the Department of Development, which states in pertinent part, *“There shall be a Department of Development, under the direction of the Director of Development, which shall develop, direct and implement programs and activities for carrying out the purposes of this Article”*; and

WHEREAS, Section 7.01 of the Charter, states that the County shall have as a primary responsibility the promotion and enhancement of the economic well-being and prosperity of the County and all of its residents; and

WHEREAS, in order to carry out the purpose of the Economic Development Department, it is necessary to create divisions within the Department of Development for the efficient administration of the County, and

WHEREAS, Article III, Section 3.09(2), of the Charter grants Council the power to establish departments, and divisions and sections within departments, under the supervision of the County Executive ... as the Council determines to be necessary for the efficient administration of the County; and

WHEREAS, Section 13.04 of the Charter provides for the transfer of powers and duties, as designated by ordinance, of departments, offices, and agencies existing at the time of the Charter’s adoption; and

WHEREAS, the Council of Cuyahoga County has determined that establishment of divisions within the Department of Development is necessary for the efficient administration of the County; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Development has recommended the following divisions: (1) Division of Economic Development, (2) Division of Community Development, (3) Division of Regulatory Compliance & Monitoring, and (4) Division of Fiscal Services. The duties, functions and employees of the Department of Development shall be incorporated into these divisions.

WHEREAS, it is necessary that this Ordinance become immediately effective in order that critical services provide by Cuyahoga County can continue without interruption, and to continue the usual, daily operation of a County Department.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CUYAHOGA COUNTY, OHIO:

SECTION 1. The Department of Development shall contain the following divisions: (1) Division of Economic Development, (2) Division of Community Development, (3) Division of Regulatory Compliance & Monitoring, and (4) Division of Fiscal Services. The duties, functions and employees of the Department of Development shall be incorporated into the divisions listed herein. Such duties and functions of the Department of Development shall include the economic development interests of the County with regard to the facilities, tenants, prospective tenants/businesses and parcels of the County Airport.

SECTION 2. Nothing in this Ordinance is intended to limit the ability of the County Executive and the Director of the Department of Development to abolish positions for the purpose of enhancing the efficiency of operations or for any other reason permitted by general law.

SECTION 3. It is necessary that this Ordinance become immediately effective in order that critical services provide by Cuyahoga County can continue without interruption, and to continue the usual, daily operation of a County Department. Provided that this Ordinance receives the affirmative vote of eight members of Council, this Ordinance shall become immediately effective upon the signature of the County Executive.

SECTION 4. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of the Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

On a motion by Mr. Schron, seconded by Mr. Jones, the foregoing Ordinance was duly enacted.

Yeas: Gallagher, Schron, Conwell, Jones, Rogers, Simon, Greenspan, Miller, Brady, Germana and Connally

Nays: None

County Council President

Date

County Executive

Date

Clerk of Council

Date

First Reading/Referred to Committee: October 9, 2012
Committee(s) Assigned: Economic Development & Planning

Committee Report/Second Reading: January 8, 2013

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