



**AGENDA**  
**CUYAHOGA COUNTY COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING**  
**TUESDAY, JUNE 10, 2014**  
**CUYAHOGA COUNTY JUSTICE CENTER**  
**COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 1<sup>ST</sup> FLOOR**  
**3:00 PM**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. ROLL CALL**
- 3. PUBLIC COMMENT RELATED TO AGENDA**
- 4. ITEM REFERRED TO COMMITTEE/DISCUSSION**
  - a) O2014-0014: An Ordinance establishing the Cuyahoga County Property Demolition Fund, and declaring the necessity that this Ordinance become immediately effective.
  - b) Presentation – Frank Ford, Chair, Vacant and Abandoned Properties Action Council
- 5. DISCUSSION/EXECUTIVE SESSION**
  - a) Collective Bargaining Agreement between Cuyahoga County and Teamsters, Local 436, affiliated with the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, representing approximately 5 employees in 2 classifications at the Cuyahoga County Airport within the Department of Public Works for the period 12/1/2013 - 11/30/2016.
  - b) Pending or imminent litigation.
- 6. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS**
- 7. PUBLIC COMMENT UNRELATED TO AGENDA**
- 8. ADJOURNMENT**

\*In accordance with Section 108.01 of the Cuyahoga County Code, complimentary parking in the Huntington Park Garage will be available for the public on any day when the Council or any of its committees holds meetings. Please see the Clerk to obtain a parking pass.

# County Council of Cuyahoga County, Ohio

## Ordinance No. O2014-0014

Sponsored by: <b>County Executive FitzGerald/Department of Development</b>	<b>An Ordinance</b> establishing the Cuyahoga County Property Demolition Fund, and declaring the necessity that this Ordinance become immediately effective.
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WHEREAS, vacant and abandoned properties pose a threat to citizens' safety, contribute to an environment that fosters crime, slow community development, depress neighboring property values, and accelerate residential flight;

WHEREAS, numerous studies across the nation, state, and county demonstrate that eradication of vacant and abandoned properties lift property values in moderate and strong market areas;

WHEREAS, it is necessary to use the County's bonding capacity to fund a comprehensive effort to demolish unsalvageable properties countywide to buttress existing community and economic development efforts, accelerate property value growth and to protect and restore neighborhoods;

WHEREAS, strategic demolition in bulk is in the interest of public safety, blight removal, property value stabilization, fiscal responsibility, and long term economic development; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary that this Ordinance become immediately effective in order that critical services provided by Cuyahoga County can continue and to provide for the usual, daily operation of the County departments.

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

**SECTION 1.** Chapter 807 of the Cuyahoga County Code is hereby enacted as follows:

### **Chapter 807: Property Demolition Fund**

#### **Section 807.01 Property Demolition Fund Created**

There is hereby created the Cuyahoga County Property Demolition Fund, which shall fund demolition programs to be administered by the County Executive through the Department of Development.

### **Section 807.02 Purposes**

The Property Demolition Fund may be used county-wide for demolition projects with end users both known and unknown, and post-demolition dispositions ranging from buy-hold-and-maintain strategies to site assembly for strategic development and construction.

### **Section 807.03 Necessary Approvals**

All contracts and agreements under the Property Demolition Fund shall be reviewed and approved by the appropriate approval authority depending on the monetary threshold of each such contract or agreement in accordance with Chapter 501 of the Cuyahoga County Code.

### **Section 807.04 Reporting Requirements**

The Department of Development shall make a report to the County Council detailing the operations, performance measures and changes to the Demolition Fund programs annually in concert with updates to the County's Five Year Economic Development Plan as required by the County Charter.

**SECTION 2.** It is necessary that this Ordinance become immediately effective for the usual daily operation of the County and the reasons set forth in the preamble. Provided that this Ordinance receives the affirmative vote of at least eight members of Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon the earliest occurrence of any of the following: (1) its approval by the County Executive through signature, (2) the expiration of the time during which it may be disapproved by the County Executive under Section 3.10(6) of the Cuyahoga County Charter, or (3) its passage by at least eight members of Council after disapproval pursuant to Section 3.10(7) of the Cuyahoga County Charter. Otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

**SECTION 3.** 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 actions were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

