MINUTES

PENDING COMMITTEE APPROVAL CUYAHOGA COUNTY JUSTICE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING FRIDAY MAY 13, 2011

CUYAHOGA COUNTY JUSTICE CENTER COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 1ST FLOOR 11:30 AM

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairwoman Simon at 11:40am.

2. ROLL CALL

Chairwoman Simon asked the clerk to call the roll. Chairwoman Simon, Vice-Chairwoman Simon & Committee Member Jones were present. A quorum was established. Majeed Makhlouf, the Director of Law was present along with James Boyle representing the Executive's office.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT RELATED TO THE AGENDA

There was no public comment related to the agenda.

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE 5.6.2011 MEETING

5. A motion to approve the minutes from the May 6, 2011 meeting was made Committee Member Connally and 2nd by Committee Member Jones. A yes / no vote was taken and the minutes were approved.

6. REVIEW OF THE LAW DEPARTMENT

Ordinance No. O2011-0116 was reviewed based upon the recent opinion of the Ohio Attorney General for any potential changes that may be needed to this ordinance. Majeed Makhlouf addressed this issue and other matters regarding the Cuyahoga County Law Department with respect to the powers and duties of the department. A discussion ensued between the committee and Mr. Makhlouf. Chairwoman Simon continued the discussion regarding the Law Department and the potential charter revisions that may need to be made and if so when will these changes be made to the charter. A series of meetings will occur in the weeks ahead to address these issues. Councilmember Greenspan addressed the committee that there may be a legislative option to this issue through the Ohio House and Senate.

7. OTHER MATTERS PERTINENT TO THE COMMITTEE

No other matters related to the committee.

8. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

9. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss and on a motion by Committee Member Jones and 2nd by Committee Meeting Connally the meeting was adjourned at 11:50am without objection.