

## **MINUTES**

CUYAHOGA COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & PLANNING
COMMITTEE MEETING
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2016
CUYAHOGA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS
C. ELLEN CONNALLY COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 4<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR
3:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

Vice-Chairman Hairston called the meeting to order at 3:09 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Pursuant to Council Rule 12F, Council President Brady appointed Councilmember Miller as a Member Pro Tem of the Economic Development & Planning Committee.

Mr. Hairston asked Deputy Clerk Carter to call the roll. Committee members Hairston, Greenspan and Miller were in attendance and a quorum was determined. Committee member Germana entered the meeting shortly after the roll call was taken. Committee members Schron and Simon were absent from the meeting. Councilmember Conwell was also in attendance.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT RELATED TO THE AGENDA

No public comments were given.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE AUGUST 1, 2016 MEETING

A motion was made by Mr. Hairston, seconded by Mr. Germana and approved by unanimous vote to approve the minutes of the August 1, 2016 meeting.

MATTERS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

a) R2016-0158: A Resolution authorizing an Economic Development Fund Business Growth and Attraction loan in the amount not-to-exceed \$2,000,000.00 to 105<sup>th</sup> Cedar Partners, LLC for the benefit of a project located at East 105<sup>th</sup> Street and Cedar Avenue, Cleveland; authorizing the County Executive and/or Director of Development to execute all documents consistent with said loan and this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Mr. Arnold Lockett, Development Finance Analyst, and Mr. Jim Doyle, Co-owner of 105<sup>th</sup> Cedar Partners, LLC, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2016-0158. Discussion ensued.

Committee members and Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. Lockett and Mr. Doyle pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.

Ms. Conwell, Mr. Germana, Mr. Miller, Mr. Greenspan and Mr. Hairston requested to have their names added as co-sponsors to Resolution No. R2016-0158.

On a motion by Mr. Germana with a second by Mr. Miller, Resolution No. R2016-0158 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda for second reading.

b) R2016-0159: A Resolution authorizing an Economic Development Fund loan in the amount not-to-exceed \$2,000,000.00 to JumpStart, Inc. for administration of the Accelerated Growth Program; authorizing the County Executive and/or Director of Development to execute all documents consistent with said loan and this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Mr. Michael May, Economic Development Administrator; Mr. Michael Jeans, President of Growth Opportunity Partners, Inc.; and Ms. Sarah Cammock, Assistant Law Director, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2016-0159. Discussion ensued.

Committee members and Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. May, Mr. Jeans and Ms. Cammock pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.

Mr. Hairston introduced a proposed substitute to Resolution No. R2016-0159. Discussion ensued.

A motion was then made by Mr. Hairston, seconded by Mr. Germana and approved by unanimous vote to accept the proposed substitute.

A motion was made by Mr. Hairston, seconded by Mr. Germana and approved by unanimous vote to amend Resolution No. R2016-0159 by deleting "for administration of"

and inserting "to be used as capital for the Accelerated Growth Program to be administered by Growth Opportunity Partners, Inc." throughout the Resolution.

Mr. Germana, Mr. Miller, Mr. Greenspan and Mr. Hairston requested to have their names added as co-sponsors to Resolution No. R2016-0159.

On a motion by Mr. Hairston with a second by Mr. Greenspan, Resolution No. R2016-0159 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, as substituted and amended.

6. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

There was no miscellaneous business.

7. OTHER PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments were given.

8. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Vice-Chairman Hairston adjourned the meeting at 4:19 p.m., without objection.