

#### **MINUTES**

CUYAHOGA COUNTY COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING TUESDAY, JULY 17, 2018 CUYAHOGA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS C. ELLEN CONNALLY COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 4<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR 1:00 PM

## 1. CALL TO ORDER

Councilmember Baker, Chair of the Council Operations, Intergovernmental Relations & Public Transportation Committee, called the meeting to order at 1:06 p.m.

## 2. ROLL CALL

Chair Baker asked Clerk Schmotzer to call the roll. Councilmembers Brown, Houser, Baker, Miller, Tuma, Gallagher, Schron, Conwell, Jones and Brady were in attendance and a quorum was determined. Councilmember Simon entered the meeting shortly after the roll-call was taken.

# 3. PUBLIC COMMENT

The following individuals addressed Council regarding Resolution No. R2018-0140, a Resolution providing for the submission to the electors of the County of Cuyahoga an amendment to enact Article XV of the County Charter establishing the Agency of Inspector General:

- a) Lynda Mayer
- b) County Prosecutor Michael O'Malley

The following individuals addressed Council regarding Resolution No. R2018-0143, a Resolution providing for the submission to the electors of the County of Cuyahoga an amendment to Article III, Section 3.09 of the County Charter to empower the Council to enact laws governing the election of county officers:

## a) Catherine LaCroix

- b) Catherine Turcer
- c) William Tarter, Jr.

Ms. Loh addressed Council regarding Resolution No. R2018-0141, a Resolution providing for the submission to the electors of the County of Cuyahoga an amendment to Article IX of the County Charter clarifying the roles and responsibilities of the Personnel Review Commission and the Department of Human Resources.

## 4. ITEMS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE:

The Honorable Judge Ronald Adrine (retired), Chair of the Charter Review Commission; and Mr. Michael King, Special Counsel, addressed Council regarding the Commission's final report. Discussion ensued.

Councilmembers asked questions of Judge Adrine and Mr. King pertaining to the report, which they answered accordingly.

[Clerk's Note: Item No. 4.c) was taken out of order and considered prior to Item No. 4.a).]

a) R2018-0140: A Resolution providing for the submission to the electors of the County of Cuyahoga an amendment to enact Article XV of the County Charter establishing the Agency of Inspector General and to provide for the appointment, removal, qualifications, and the powers and duties, including access to county information and subpoena power, of the Inspector General; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Mr. King and Mr. Mark Griffin, Inspector General, addressed Council regarding Resolution No. R2018-0140. Discussion ensued.

Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. King and Mr. Griffin pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.

On a motion by Ms. Baker with a second by Mr. Schron, Resolution No. R2018-0140 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda for second reading, with the understanding that there may be a new resolution introduced by some Councilmembers to incorporate some of the recommendations that were discussed.

b) R2018-0141: A Resolution providing for the submission to the electors of the County of Cuyahoga an amendment to Article IX of the County Charter clarifying the roles and responsibilities of the Personnel Review Commission and the Department of Human Resources, to prohibit discrimination on the basis of gender identity/expression in county employment, and to provide for the establishment of the unclassified service by general law and council ordinance; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Mr. King addressed Council regarding Resolution No. R2018-0141. Discussion ensued. Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. King pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.

On a motion by Mr. Miller with a second by Mr. Jones, Resolution No. R2018-0141 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda for second reading.

c) R2018-0142: A Resolution providing for the submission to the electors of the County of Cuyahoga an amendment to Article XI, Section 11.04 of the County Charter to provide the Department of Internal Auditing discretion to bill departments for the cost of conducting audits and in adopting auditing standards; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

[Clerk's Note: Item No. 4.c) was taken out of order and considered prior to Item No. 4.a).]

Mr. King addressed Council regarding Resolution No. R2018-0142. Discussion ensued.

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

On a motion by Mr. Brady with a second by Mr. Schron, Resolution No. R2018-0142 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda for second reading.

d) R2018-0143: A Resolution providing for the submission to the electors of the County of Cuyahoga an amendment to Article III, Section 3.09 of the County Charter to empower the Council to enact laws governing the election of county officers; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Mr. King addressed Council regarding Resolution No. R2018-0143. Discussion ensued.

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

On a motion by Ms. Baker with a second by Mr. Brady, Resolution No. R2018-0143 was considered and approved by unanimous roll-call vote to be referred to the full Council agenda for second reading, with the understanding that it may not have favorable support at the full Council meeting.

5. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Councilmember Brown thanked Ms. Jeane Holley for her hard work on behalf of the Charter Review Commission.

# 6. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Chair Baker adjourned the meeting at 2:55 p.m., without objection.