



AGENDA
CUYAHOGA COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
COMMITTEE MEETING
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2021
CUYAHOGA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS
C. ELLEN CONNALLY COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 4TH FLOOR
10:00 AM

***Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Cuyahoga County Administration Building is closed to the public at this time. As this meeting is being conducted remotely, in accordance with HB 197, interested persons may access the meeting via livestream by using the following link:**
<https://www.youtube.com/CuyahogaCounty>

****Public comment for this meeting may be submitted in writing via email to the Assistant Deputy Clerk of Council at arjohnson@cuyahogacounty.us no later than 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, February 18, 2021.**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. ROLL CALL**
- 3. PUBLIC COMMENT**
- 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE NOVEMBER 30, 2020 MEETING**
- 5. MATTERS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE**
 - a) R2021-0041: A Resolution awarding a sum, not to exceed \$70,000.00, to the Italian American Brotherhood Club, a non-profit entity, to create, place, and maintain a sculpture of Cleveland Indians icon Rocco ("Rocky") Domenico Colavito, Jr. to be erected in the Tony Brush Park in Little Italy, in the City of Cleveland, and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.
- 6. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS**

7. ADJOURNMENT



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1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Jones called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Mr. Jones asked Assistant Deputy Clerk Johnson to call the roll. Committee members Jones, Stephens, Gallagher, and Brady were in attendance and a quorum was determined. Committee member Stephens was absent from the meeting. Councilmembers Miller and Conwell were also in attendance.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments submitted.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE NOVEMBER 16, 2020 MEETING

A motion was made by Ms. Stephens, seconded by Mr. Brady, and approved by unanimous vote to approve the minutes from the November 16, 2020 meeting.

5. MATTERS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

- a) R2020-0264: A Resolution authorizing an exempting from requests for proposals and making an award on RQ3911 with various providers in the total amount not-to-exceed \$2,000,000.00 for financial counseling and mortgage assistance services to eligible homeowners adversely

affected by the COVID-19 pandemic for the Mortgage Assistance Program in connection with the Community Development Block Grant Program for the period 1/1/2021 – 12/31/2022; authorizing the County Executive to execute the contracts and all other documents consistent with said award and this Resolution and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Ms. Sara Parks Jackson, Housing and Community Development Administrator; Mr. Kevin Nowak, Executive Director of CHN Housing Partners; Mr. Andy Nikiforovs, Executive Director of Cleveland Housing Solutions; and Mr. Michael Billnitzer, Executive Director of Empowering and Strengthening Ohio's People, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2020-0264. Discussion ensued.

Committee members and Councilmembers asked questions of Ms. Jackson, Mr. Nowak, Mr. Nikiforovs, and Mr. Billnitzer pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.

On a motion by Mr. Jones with a second by Mr. Brady, Resolution No. R2020-0264 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.

6. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

There was no miscellaneous business.

7. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Chairman Jones adjourned the meeting at 10:33 a.m., without objection.

County Council of Cuyahoga County, Ohio

Resolution No. R2021-0041

Sponsored by: Councilmembers Gallagher, Conwell and Stephens	A Resolution awarding a sum, not to exceed \$70,000.00, to the Italian American Brotherhood Club, a non-profit entity, to create, place, and maintain a sculpture of Cleveland Indians icon Rocco (“Rocky”) Domenico Colavito, Jr. to be erected in the Tony Brush Park in Little Italy, in the City of Cleveland, and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.
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WHEREAS, Rocky Colavito was born in Bronx, New York in 1933, and left school at the age of 16 to pursue a career as a major league baseball player. Colavito made his major league debut with the Cleveland Indians in September of 1955, and immediately became a favorite of the Cleveland fans; and

WHEREAS, Colavito quickly proved himself as a big leaguer player, excelling as a prolific home run hitter, as well as one of the best outfielders in the American League. Career highlights include:

- 9 All-Star game appearances;
- Led the American League in Home Runs (1959);
- Led the American League in RBI’s (1965);
- First outfielder to play an entire season without making an error (1965);
- Lifetime .266 Batting Average;
- 374 Career Home Runs;
- Named to Cleveland Indians All-Century Team (2001);
- Inducted into the Indians Hall of Fame (2006);

WHEREAS, while Colavito’s athletic prowess is well documented, he was also revered throughout the Cleveland area for his kind heart and community spirit. He was always accommodating to the fans, and regularly spent hours signing autographs for his many fans; and

WHEREAS, despite being the subject of the most maligned trade in Cleveland sports history, Colavito remained a fan favorite to Clevelanders, and maintained his connections to the local community after ending his playing career, serving as both a coach and broadcaster for the Cleveland Indians; and

WHEREAS, to legions of residents, Colavito is both a hero and role model and local leaders have coalesced to honor him for his athletic accomplishments and his commitment to the Cleveland area;

WHEREAS, the Italian American-Brotherhood, a local non-profit entity, has led the drive to properly honor Colavito, and has engaged local sculptor David Deming to create a fitting statue of Colavito to be placed at Tony Brush Park in the Little Italy neighborhood in the City of Cleveland, and

WHEREAS, memorializing Rocky Colavito, for his remarkable accomplishments and dedication to this community will benefit Cuyahoga County and will serve as a lasting memory of a great man and great athlete who called Cleveland his home, and Cuyahoga County is supportive of providing funding for this effort; and

WHEREAS, this Council by a vote of at least eight (8) members determines that it is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective in order that the Italian American-Brotherhood Club may undertake all efforts to create, place, and maintain a sculpture of Rocky Colavito.

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

SECTION 1. That the Cuyahoga County Council hereby awards a sum, not to exceed \$70,000.00 to the Italian American-Brotherhood Club to create, place, and maintain a sculpture of Cleveland icon Rocky Colavito.

SECTION 2. It is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective for the usual daily operation of the County; the preservation of public peace, health, or safety in the County; and any additional reasons set forth in the preamble. Provided that this Resolution receives the affirmative vote of at least eight members of Council, this Resolution shall become immediately effective.

SECTION 3. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution 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 _____ seconded by _____, the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted.

Yeas:

Nays:

County Council President Date

Clerk of Council Date

First Reading/Referred to Committee: February 9, 2021
Committee(s) Assigned: Community Development

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