



MINUTES

**CUYAHOGA COUNTY EDUCATION, ENVIRONMENT & SUSTAINABILITY
COMMITTEE MEETING
WEDNESDAY, MAY 18, 2022
CUYAHOGA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS
C. ELLEN CONNALLY COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 4TH FLOOR
3:00 PM**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairwoman Simon called the meeting to order at 3:03 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Ms. Simon asked Deputy Clerk Carter to call the roll. Committee members Simon, Turner, Jones and Stephens were in attendance and a quorum was determined. Committee member Schron entered the meeting after the roll call was taken.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments given.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE APRIL 20, 2022 MEETING

A motion was made by Ms. Turner, seconded by Ms. Simon and approved by unanimous vote to approve the minutes from the April 20, 2022 meeting.

Ms. Simon made a brief statement regarding the recent shooting in Buffalo, New York.

5. MATTERS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

- a) R2022-0126: A Resolution making awards on RQ8476 to various providers in the total amount not-to-exceed \$9,397,121.00 for the

Comprehensive Case Management Employment Program-
Employment, Education and Training Services for Young Adults for the
period 4/1/2022 – 12/31/2023; authorizing the County Executive to
execute the Master Contract and all other documents consistent with
said awards and this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this
Resolution become immediately effective:

- a) Contract No. 2389 with Verge, Inc. in the amount not-
to-exceed \$1,400,000.00.
- b) Contract No. 2390 with Youth Opportunities Unlimited
in the amount not-to-exceed \$7,997,121.00.

**Mr. Marcos Cortes, Social Program Administrator; Mr. Paul Bounds, Deputy
Administrator of Cuyahoga Job and Family Services; Mr. Shaun Woods, Co-founder
of Verge, Inc; Ms. Lisa Evans, Co-founder of Verge, Inc; Mr. Craig Dorn, Executive
Director of Youth Opportunities Unlimited; and Ms. Pam Macer, Chief Program
Officer of Youth Opportunities Unlimited, addressed the Committee regarding
Resolution No. R2022-0126. Discussion ensued.**

**Committee members asked questions of Mr. Cortes, Mr. Bounds, Mr. Woods, Ms.
Evans, Mr. Dorn and Ms. Macer pertaining to the item, which they answered
accordingly.**

**On a motion by Ms. Stephens with a second by Mr. Schron, Resolution No. R2022-
0126 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, Chairwoman Simon adjourned the meeting at
4:04 p.m., without objection.**