



**AGENDA**  
**CUYAHOGA COUNTY COUNCIL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING**  
**TUESDAY, APRIL 26, 2022**  
**CUYAHOGA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS**  
**C. ELLEN CONNALLY COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 4<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR**  
**2:30 PM**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**2. ROLL CALL**

**3. PUBLIC COMMENT**

**4. ITEM REFERRED TO COMMITTEE/CONFIRMATION HEARING:**

- a) R2022-0087: A Resolution confirming the County Executive’s appointment of Alexandra R. Beeler, upon her taking the oath of office, as Inspector General of Cuyahoga County for the unexpired four-year term ending 12/31/2024; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

**5. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- a) Collective bargaining matters, including:
  - 1) approving a Collective Bargaining Agreement between Cuyahoga County and the Fraternal Order of Police, Ohio Labor Council, Inc, (“FOP”), representing approximately 46 employees in 8 classifications in the Cuyahoga County Regional Forensic Science Laboratory under the direction of the County Medical Examiner for the period 4/26/22 - 12/31/2024.
  - 2) approving an amendment to a Collective Bargaining Agreement between Cuyahoga County and Teamsters Local 436, affiliated with the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, representing approximately 6 employees in the classifications of Airport Technician II and III at the Cuyahoga County Regional Airport,

Department of Public Works, for the period 12/1/2019 - 11/30/2022, to establish the terms of the health insurance and wage re-openers and to modify Articles 31 and 32.

b) Pending or imminent litigation.

c) Purchase or sale of property.

## **6. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS**

## **7. ADJOURNMENT**

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*\*\*Council Chambers is equipped with a hearing assistance system. If needed, please see the Clerk to obtain a receiver.*

# County Council of Cuyahoga County, Ohio

## Resolution No. R2022-0087

Sponsored by: <b>County Executive Budish</b>	<b>A Resolution</b> confirming the County Executive’s appointment of Alexandra R. Beeler, upon her taking the oath of office, as Inspector General of Cuyahoga County for the unexpired four-year term ending December 31, 2024, and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.
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WHEREAS, the Agency of Inspector General was established pursuant to O2011-0019 as codified on July 12, 2013, in Chapter 204 of the Cuyahoga County Code; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 204.01 of the Cuyahoga County Code provides for the powers and duties of the Inspector General; and

WHEREAS, Article XV of the County Charter provides further powers, duties and qualifications of the Inspector General; and

WHEREAS, Alexandra R. Beeler has been serving as interim Inspector General since January 11, 2022, and her interim appointment of 120 days expires on May 11, 2022; and

WHEREAS, County Executive Armond Budish has nominated Alexandra R. Beeler for the permanent Inspector General position with a term expiring December 31, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Council has scheduled a Confirmation Hearing which was noticed to the public and held in an open meeting on \_\_\_\_\_; and

WHEREAS, the Council elects to confirm the County Executive’s nomination of Alexandra R. Beeler to the position of Inspector General; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective in order that County Charter and Cuyahoga County Code requirements can be complied with and critical services provided by Cuyahoga County can continue, and to provide for the usual, daily operation of County government.

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

**SECTION 1.** That, in accordance with Article XV, Section 15.01(4) of the Cuyahoga County Charter, the Cuyahoga County Council hereby confirms the





April 6, 2022

Pernel Jones, Jr., President  
Cuyahoga County Council  
2079 E. Ninth Street, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Cleveland, OH 44115

Re: Cuyahoga County Inspector General

Dear President Jones,

The Agency of the Inspector General was created as a watchdog of operational compliance and ethics for all County employees. The Inspector General is tasked with delving beyond the bureaucracy to determine the nature of rules and to liaise with the proper entities to ensure that the County, and its employees, is following the rules proactively. I am pleased to nominate Alexandra Beeler as Inspector General for Cuyahoga County pursuant to County Charter Article XV and County Code 204.01(C). A copy of Ms. Beeler's resume is attached hereto which details her relevant work history and background.

Ms. Beeler currently serves as Cuyahoga County's Interim Inspector General. Beeler previously served as Assistant Law Director for Cuyahoga County, Judicial Staff Attorney for The Honorable John P. O'Donnell, and a Member of the Board of Trustees and the Ambassador Council for The Ronald McDonald House of Cleveland.

I am honored to nominate Ms. Beeler as our county's Inspector General. I ask that this nomination be addressed as soon as Council's schedule allows. Should you or any of your colleagues have any questions, please feel free to contact my Executive Assistant, Laura Roche at 216-443-7181.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Armond Budish".

Armond Budish  
County Executive

# ALEXA BEELER

## EXPERIENCE

### **Cuyahoga County, Ohio**

*Interim Inspector General*

Cleveland, OH

2022 – present

- Led the team to exceed the Agency's half-year average of completed investigations in less than a quarter
- Joined the Association of Inspectors General in the pursuit of becoming a Certified Inspector General
- Implemented procedures within the Agency to increase efficiency and reduce turnaround
- Analyzed intricate ethical issues and produced quality opinions aligned with the County Ethics Code and state law
- Promoted accountability within the Agency by instituting regular case reviews
- Improved complaint process to better support complainants and more timely address each matter

### **Cuyahoga County, Ohio**

*Assistant Law Director*

Cleveland, OH

2019 – 2022

- Practiced in the Law Department's Contracting, Procurement and Real Estate Group
- Advised clients and superiors on legal issues and provided well-supported solutions and strategies to reduce exposure
- Negotiated and drafted a broad array of contracts, transactional documents, and economic development loans
- Mitigated risk by strengthening standard agreements and ensuring proper loan collateralization
- Guided clients through the implementation of policies to promote legal compliance
- Managed outside counsel for the opioid litigation currently ongoing in federal court
- Prepared legislation for the consideration of Cuyahoga County Council
- Represented Council's Economic Development & Planning Committee and its Community Development Committee
- Sat on the Cuyahoga County Administrative Rules Board as a voting member
- Served as Cuyahoga's legal representative for the Audit Committee and the Community Reinvestment Subcommittee
- Represented the County on discovery matters in the corruption cases in court and through motion practice
- Conducted significant electronic discovery and privilege reviews
- Co-chaired the Law Department's Externship Program
- Represented the County in the Chapter 11 Bankruptcy case of one of its debtors

### **The Honorable John P. O'Donnell**

*Judicial Staff Attorney*

Cleveland, OH

2009 – 2019

- Managed the court's civil docket, including the distinguished Commercial Docket
- Researched and advised on complex civil and criminal legal issues
- Conducted pre-trial and settlement conferences and assisted in structuring settlement agreements
- Evaluated the strengths and weaknesses of cases to facilitate settlements
- Recommended rulings on motions
- Guided counsel through discovery disputes
- Prepared detailed written opinions
- Coordinated with the governor's staff and news media for the release of a criminal verdict of national attention

### **The Ronald McDonald House of Cleveland**

*Member of the Board of Trustees and the Ambassador Council*

Cleveland, OH

2012 - 2018

- Collaborated in the development of a three-year strategic plan for the House
- Voted on and advocated for critical issues at Board meetings affecting the House
- Participated in a task force with Board members and House staff to determine the viability of a House service
- Provided legal advice on an as-needed basis
- Volunteered and fundraised to support the families utilizing the House
- Served as Chair of the House's young professional group, the Ambassador Council
- Restructured the Ambassador Council to maximize member participation and output
- Performed all functions necessary for the successful execution of multiple fundraising events each year
- Led the Ambassador Council to raise over \$40,000 in a two-year term, far surpassing precedent and expectations

EXPERIENCE, CONTINUED

**The Sherwin-Williams Company**

Cleveland, OH  
2007 – 2008

*Corporate Legal Intern*

- Completed research projects to aid in the defense of lawsuits involving product liability and work-place injuries
- Reviewed contracts, including linking agreements, site access agreements, and commercial leases
- Assisted with promotional terms to be used for rebates, sweepstakes, and contests

**The Honorable Christopher A. Boyko**

Cleveland, OH  
2006

*Federal Judicial Extern*

- Prepared judicial opinions for final review

**Supreme Bar Review**

Cleveland, OH  
2005 – 2008

*Campus Representative*

- Earned highest sales of bar review courses throughout Ohio and Kentucky for two consecutive semesters

EDUCATION

**Cleveland-Marshall College of Law, Cleveland State University – Cleveland, OH**

J.D. with a Business Concentration, 2008

Licensed to practice in Ohio and in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Ohio

*Honors and Activities*

- Barrister's Scholarship
- Dean's Community Service Award
- Delta Theta Phi – Member & Scholarship Recipient
- Dean's List
- Women Law Students Association – Member of the Year
- Student Public Interest Law Organization – Vice President
- Cleveland Bar Association – Young Lawyers Section
- Cleveland-Marshall Law Alumni Association Scholarship

**The Ohio State University – Columbus, OH**

B.S. – Magna Cum Laude, With Honors, 2005

Psychology major, Honors College; Business minor

*Honors and Activities*

- National Society of Collegiate Scholars
- Psychology Club – Service Chair
- Mirrors Sophomore Class Honorary – Social Chair
- Dean's List