



MINUTES
CUYAHOGA COUNTY HEALTH, HUMAN SERVICES & AGING
COMMITTEE MEETING
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2022
CUYAHOGA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS
C. ELLEN CONNALLY COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 4TH FLOOR
3:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairwoman Conwell called the meeting to order at 3:04 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Ms. Conwell asked Clerk Richardson to call the roll. Committee members Conwell, Sweeney, Miller and Turner were in attendance and a quorum was determined. Committee member Stephens was absent from the meeting.

A motion was made by Ms. Conwell, seconded by Mr. Sweeney and approved by unanimous vote to excuse Ms. Stephens from the meeting.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

The following citizens addressed the Committee regarding health and safety concerns at the Norma Herr Women's Shelter:

- 1) Ms. Katherine Roudabush**
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4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE NOVEMBER 16, 2022 MEETING

A motion was made by Ms. Turner, seconded by Mr. Miller and approved by unanimous vote to approve the minutes from the November 16, 2022 meeting.

5. MATTERS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

- a) R2022-0435: A Resolution making an award on RQ7603 to Canopy Child Advocacy in the amount not-to-exceed \$5,800,000.00 for implementation of a Child Protection Teams model to address and prevent child abuse in Cuyahoga County for the period 1/1/2023 – 12/31/2025; authorizing the County Executive to execute Contract No. 2220 and all other documents consistent with said award and this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Mr. David Merriman, Director of the Department of Health and Human Services; Ms. Jennifer Johnson, Executive Director of the Canopy Child Advocacy Center; Ms. Jacqueline Fletcher, Interim Director and Mr. Christopher Cabot, Deputy Director of the Division of Children and Family Services; Dr. Jennifer Bailit, Chief Medical Officer – Inpatient Services for The MetroHealth Medical Center; and Mr. Matthew Golish, Treasurer of the Board of Directors for the Canopy Child Advocacy Center, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2022-0435. Discussion ensued.

Committee members asked questions of Mr. Merriman, Ms. Johnson, Ms. Fletcher, Mr. Cabot, Dr. Bailit and Mr. Golish pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.

On a motion by Mr. Miller with a second by Ms. Turner, Resolution No. R2022-0435 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.

- b) R2022-0436: A Resolution making an award on RQ9347 with Strada Collaborative dba InsideTrack in the amount not-to-exceed \$2,500,000.00 for coaching services to Ohio National Guard Scholarship recipients for the Pay for Success Program for the period 10/1/2022 – 4/14/2030; authorizing the County Executive to execute Contract No. 2750 and all other documents consistent with said award and this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Mr. Merriman, Mr. Anthony Lamb, Retired Lieutenant Colonel from the Ohio National Guard; Ms. Jessica Hector, Associate Vice President, Partner Success for InsideTrack; and Ms. Simone Gross, Director of the Community Outcomes Fund for Maycomb Capital, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2022-0436. Discussion ensued.

Committee members asked questions of Mr. Merriman, Mr. Lamb, Ms. Hector and Ms. Gross pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.

On a motion by Ms. Conwell with a second by Mr. Sweeney, Resolution No. R2022-0436 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.

- c) R2022-0437: A Resolution making an award on RQ10016 to Bellefaire Jewish Children’s Bureau in the amount not-to-exceed \$504,000.00 for mentoring services for youth in permanent custody of the Division of Children and Family Services for the period 10/1/2022 – 9/30/2024; authorizing the County Executive to execute Contract No. 2760 and all other documents consistent with said award and this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Mr. Marcos Cortes, Interim Administrator for the Division of Contracts Administration and Performance; Ms. Fletcher; and Mr. Greg Vazquez, Foster Youth Mentoring Supervisor for Bellefaire Jewish Children’s Bureau, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2022-0437. Discussion ensued.

Committee members asked questions of Mr. Cortes, Ms. Fletcher and Mr. Vazquez pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.

On a motion by Mr. Miller with a second by Ms. Turner, Resolution No. R2022-0437 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.

- d) R2022-0438: A Resolution authorizing an amendment to a Master Contract with various providers for SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program) to Skills Employment and Training services for the period 10/1/2020 – 9/30/2022 to extend the time period to 9/30/2023 and for additional funds in the total amount not-to-exceed \$1,414,475.00; authorizing the County Executive to execute the amendment and all other documents consistent with this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective:
 - 1) Contract No. 186 with Lutheran Metropolitan Ministry in the amount not-to-exceed \$176,305.00.
 - 2) Contract No. 197 with The Centers for Families and Children in the amount not-to-exceed \$124,033.00.
 - 3) Contract No. 210 with Towards Employment in the amount not-to-exceed \$198,980.00.
 - 4) Contract No. 1482 with Cleveland Center for Arts and Technology dba New Bridge Cleveland in the amount not-to-exceed \$464,270.00

- 5) Contract No. 1483 with Cuyahoga County Public Library in the amount not-to-exceed \$25,000.00.
- 6) Contract No. 1484 with Goodwill Industries of Greater Cleveland and Central Ohio, Inc. in the amount not-to-exceed \$101,092.00.
- 7) Contract No. 1485 with West Side Catholic Center in the amount not-to-exceed \$351,795.00.

Mr. Cortes addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2022-0438. Discussion ensued.

Committee members asked questions of Mr. Cortes pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.

On a motion by Ms. Conwell with a second by Mr. Miller, Resolution No. R2022-0438 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.

- e) R2022-0439: A Resolution authorizing an amendment to Contract No. 2324 with Lutheran Metropolitan Ministry for adult guardianship services for the period 1/1/2021 – 12/31/2022 to extend the time period to 12/31/2023 and for additional funds in the amount not-to-exceed \$605,285.00; authorizing the County Executive to execute the amendment and all other documents consistent with this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Mr. Cortes and Ms. Natasha Pietrocola, Interim Director for the Division of Senior and Adult Services, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2022-0439. Discussion ensued.

Committee members asked questions of Mr. Cortes and Ms. Pietrocola pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.

On a motion by Ms. Turner with a second by Mr. Miller, Resolution No. R2022-0439 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.

f) R2022-0440: A Resolution making an award on RQ10161 with various providers in the amount not-to-exceed \$6,468,017.08 for the Ohio Works First Program for the period 1/1/2023 – 12/31/2023; authorizing the County Executive to execute Contract Nos. 2840 & 2841 and all other documents consistent with said awards and this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective:

- 1) Contract No. 2840 with Maximus Human Services, Inc. in the amount not-to-exceed \$2,718,017.08.
- 2) Contract No. 2841 with The Centers for Families and Children in the amount not-to-exceed \$3,750,000.00.

Mr. Cortes addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2022-0440. Discussion ensued.

Committee members asked questions of Mr. Cortes pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.

On a motion by Ms. Conwell with a second by Mr. Sweeney, Resolution No. R2022-0440 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. Mr. Miller recused from voting.

6. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Ms. Conwell announced that a reception will be held on Wednesday, November 30th at 1:00 p.m. to introduce the various department heads of the Department of Health and Human Services to County Executive-Elect Chris Ronayne and his Transition Team.

7. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Chairwoman Conwell adjourned the meeting at 4:30 p.m., without objection.