



MINUTES

CUYAHOGA COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
MONDAY, JANUARY 23, 2023
CUYAHOGA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS
C. ELLEN CONNALLY COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 4TH FLOOR
3:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairwoman Stephens called the meeting to order at 3:06 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Ms. Stephens asked Assistant Deputy Clerk Georgakopoulos to call the roll. Committee members Stephens, Jones, Simon and Kelly were in attendance and a quorum was determined. Committee member Gallagher was absent from the meeting.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments given.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE DECEMBER 5, 2022 MEETING

A motion was made by Mr. Jones, seconded by Ms. Simon, and approved by unanimous vote to approve the minutes from the December 5, 2022 meeting.

5. MATTERS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

- a) R2023-0002: A Resolution awarding a total sum, not to exceed \$360,000.00, from the Cuyahoga County Community Development Fund to the Cleveland Cultural Gardens Federation for the maintenance and upgrades for the Cleveland Cultural Gardens located in the City of

Cleveland; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Ms. Lori Ashyk, Executive Director for the Cleveland Cultural Gardens Federation, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2023-0002. Discussion ensued.

Committee members asked questions of Ms. Ashyk pertaining to the item, which she answered accordingly.

On a motion by Mr. Jones with a second by Ms. Simon, Resolution No. R2023-0002 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda for second reading.

- b) R2023-0003: A Resolution awarding a total sum, not to exceed \$300,000, to the Association of African American Cultural Gardens for the African American Cultural Garden Monument Project from the District 8 ARPA Community Grant Fund; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Ms. Lavita Ewing, Development Chair for the Association of African American Cultural Gardens, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2023-0003. Discussion ensued.

Committee members asked questions of Ms. Ewing pertaining to the item, which she answered accordingly.

On a motion by Mr. Jones with a second by Ms. Simon, Resolution No. R2023-0003 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda for second reading.

Ms. Simon and Ms. Stephens requested to have their names added as co-sponsors to the legislation.

6. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

There was no miscellaneous business.

7. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Chairwoman Stephens adjourned the meeting at 3:06 p.m., without objection.