



## MINUTES

### CUYAHOGA COUNTY HEALTH, HUMAN SERVICES & AGING COMMITTEE MEETING

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2023

CUYAHOGA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS

C. ELLEN CONNALLY COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 4<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR

1:00 PM

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

**Chairwoman Conwell called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m.**

#### 2. ROLL CALL

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

#### 3. PUBLIC COMMENT

**Loh addressed the Committee regarding challenges to persons experiencing homelessness.**

#### 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE JANUARY 18, 2023 AND FEBRUARY 1, 2023 MEETINGS

**A motion was made by Ms. Turner, seconded by Mr. Miller and approved by unanimous vote to approve the minutes from the January 18, 2023 and February 1, 2023 meetings.**

#### 5. MATTERS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

- a) R2023-0038: A Resolution making an award on RQ10456 to Lutheran Metropolitan Ministry in the amount not-to-exceed \$2,231,638.00 for operations and case management services for a 400-bed Men's Emergency Shelter, located at 2100 Lakeside Avenue, Cleveland, and for facilitation and coordination of overflow shelter services for single adults and families at various locations for the period 1/1/2023 – 8/19/2023; authorizing the

County Executive to execute Contract No. 3013 and all other documents consistent with said award and this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

**Ms. Melissa Sirak, Social Program Administrator for the Office of Homeless Services; and Mr. Michael Sering, Vice President of Housing and Shelter for the Lutheran Metropolitan Ministry, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2023-0038. Discussion ensued.**

**Committee members asked questions of Ms. Sirak and Mr. Sering pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.**

**On a motion by Ms. Conwell with a second by Mr. Sweeney, Resolution No. R2023-0038 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) R2023-0039: A Resolution making an award on RQ10456 to Young Women's Christian Association of Greater Cleveland, Ohio (YWCA) in the amount not-to-exceed \$2,536,793.00 for operation and case management services at the Norma Herr Women's Shelter, located at 2227 Payne Avenue, Cleveland, for the period 1/1/2023 – 12/31/2023; authorizing the County Executive to execute Contract No. 3014 and all other documents consistent with said award and this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

**Ms. Sirak, Mr. David Merriman, Director for the Department of Health and Human Services; Ms. Helen Forbes Fields, President and Chief Executive Officer and Ms. Cynthia Dailey, Senior Director of Compliance Outcomes & Evaluation for the Young Women's Christian Association of Greater Cleveland, Ohio, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2023-0039. Discussion ensued.**

**Committee members asked questions of Ms. Sirak, Mr. Merriman, Ms. Forbes Fields and Ms. Dailey pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.**

**On a motion by Ms. Conwell with a second by Ms. Turner, Resolution No. R2023-0039 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) R2023-0040: A Resolution making an award on RQ10456 to Mental Health Services for Homeless Persons, Inc. dba Frontline Service in the amount not-to-exceed \$1,422,933.00 for temporary housing for single adults and youth at North Point Transitional Housing, located at 1550 Superior Avenue, Cleveland, for the period 1/1/2023 – 12/31/2023; authorizing the County Executive to execute Contract No. 3015 and all other documents

consistent with said award and this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

**Ms. Sirak and Ms. LaTonya Murray, Director of Emergency Housing Services for Frontline Service, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2023-0040. Discussion ensued.**

**Committee members asked questions of Ms. Sirak and Ms. Murray pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.**

**On a motion by Ms. Conwell with a second by Ms. Turner, Resolution No. R2023-0040 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 Conwell adjourned the meeting at 1:52 p.m., without objection.**