



MINUTES

CUYAHOGA COUNTY HEALTH, HUMAN SERVICES & AGING COMMITTEE MEETING

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12, 2024

CUYAHOGA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS

C. ELLEN CONNALLY COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 4TH FLOOR

1:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairwoman Conwell called the meeting to order at 1:23 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

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

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

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments given.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE MAY 22, 2024 MEETING

A motion was made by Ms. Turner, seconded by Mr. Miller and approved by unanimous vote to approve the minutes from the May 22, 2024 meeting.

5. MATTERS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

- a) R2024-0198: A Resolution awarding a total sum, not to exceed \$10,000, to Ashbury Community Services Inc. for the Digital Aviator Program from the District 7 ARPA Community Grant Fund; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Ms. Wanda Davis, Executive Director and Ms. Angela Hill, Instructor & Administrator for Ashbury Community Services Inc., addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2024-0198. Discussion ensued.

Committee members asked questions of Ms. Davis and Ms. Hill pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.

Ms. Turner requested to add funds in the amount of \$5,000.00 from the District 9 ARPA Community Grant Fund, which will be incorporated into a proposed substitute for consideration at the next Council meeting for second reading.

On a motion by Ms. Conwell with a second by Ms. Stephens, Resolution No. R2024-0198 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda for second reading.

Ms. Conwell, Ms. Stephens, Ms. Turner and Mr. Miller requested to have their names added as co-sponsors to the legislation.

- b) R2024-0223: A Resolution authorizing a contract with Lutheran Metropolitan Ministry in the amount not-to-exceed \$869,320.00 for supportive services for youth and young adults experiencing homelessness or housing instability in connection with the Navigation and Housing (NAV) services project for the period 1/1/2024 – 12/31/2025; authorizing the County Executive to execute Contract No. 4509 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. Erin Rearden, Program Administrator for the Office of Homeless Services; and Ms. Lisa Smith, Vice President, Youth Resiliency Services for Lutheran Metropolitan Ministry, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2024-0223. Discussion ensued.

Committee members asked questions of Mr. Merriman, Ms. Rearden and Ms. Smith pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.

On a motion by Ms. Conwell with a second by Mr. Miller, Resolution No. R2024-0223 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. PRESENTATION

- a) LaJean Ray, Director, Catholic Charities Corporation, Fatima Family Center
 - Furniture upgrades at 6600 Lexington Avenue on the Fatima Family Center Campus

- Hough Collaborative Main Office Upgrade

Ms. LaJean Ray, Director of Catholic Charities Corporation, Fatima Family Center made a presentation to the committee regarding the organization's strategic plan and goals; and provided an overview of the facility improvements made to the Father Albert Building and the Fatima Family Center made possible with the ARPA funds awarded by County Council. Discussion ensued. Committee members asked questions of Ms. Ray pertaining to the presentation, which she answered accordingly.

7. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Ms. Conwell announced that the Pay for Success Program update will be presented at the next committee meeting.

8. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Chairwoman Conwell adjourned the meeting at 2:02 p.m., without objection.