



## MINUTES

CUYAHOGA COUNTY HEALTH, HUMAN SERVICES & AGING  
COMMITTEE MEETING

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28, 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 Deputy Clerk Carter 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 the various challenges to persons experiencing homelessness.**

### 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE JUNE 14, 2023 MEETING

**A motion was made by Ms. Conwell, seconded by Mr. Miller and approved by unanimous vote to approve the minutes from the June 14, 2023 meeting.**

### 5. MATTERS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

- a) R2023-0165: A Resolution awarding a total sum, not to exceed \$150,000, to the West Side Catholic Center for the Resource Center and Housing Initiative from the District 7 ARPA Community Grant Fund; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

**Mr. Michael Bernot, Executive Director for the West Side Catholic Center, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2023-0165. Discussion ensued.**

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

**On a motion by Mr. Miller with a second by Ms. Turner, Resolution No. R2023-0165 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda for second reading.**

- b) R2023-0168: A Resolution awarding a total sum, not to exceed \$100,000, to the Near Westside Multiservice Corporation d.b.a. May Dugan Center for the purpose of expanding and upgrading the May Dugan Center facility from the District 7 ARPA Community Grant Fund; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

**Mr. Rick Kemm, Executive Director for the Near Westside Multiservice Corporation d.b.a. May Dugan Center, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2023-0168. Discussion ensued.**

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

**On a motion by Mr. Sweeney with a second by Mr. Miller, Resolution No. R2023-0168 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda for second reading.**

- c) R2023-0170: A Resolution awarding a total sum, not to exceed \$75,000, to Front Steps Housing and Services for the Electronic Health Record to Support Housing Stability and Behavioral Health Services to Prevent Homelessness Program from the District 7 ARPA Community Grant Fund; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

**Ms. Sherri Brandon, President and Chief Executive Officer for Front Steps Housing and Services, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2023-0170. Discussion ensued.**

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

**On a motion by Ms. Turner with a second by Mr. Sweeney, Resolution No. R2023-0170 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda for second reading.**

- d) R2023-0171: A Resolution awarding a total sum, not to exceed \$50,000, to the Legal Aid Society of Cleveland for the Community Recovery from COVID-19: One-Time Capital Investment for Legal Aid Project from the District 7 ARPA Community Grant Fund; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

**Ms. Colleen Cotter, Executive Director for the Legal Aid Society of Cleveland, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2023-0171. Discussion ensued.**

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

**On a motion by Ms. Conwell with a second by Mr. Sweeney, Resolution No. R2023-0171 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda for second reading.**

- e) R2023-0174: A Resolution awarding a total sum, not to exceed \$20,000, to the Community of Hope for the HOPE Program from the District 7 ARPA Community Grant Fund; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

**Ms. Beverly Johnson, Program Director and Ms. Denise Eaddy, Administrative Executive for the Community of Hope, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2023-0174. Discussion ensued.**

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

**On a motion by Ms. Turner with a second by Mr. Sweeney, Resolution No. R2023-0174 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda for second reading.**

**Ms. Turner requested to have her name added as a co-sponsor to the legislation.**

## **6. PRESENTATION**

- a) Cleveland Clinic Taussig Cancer Institute Community Outreach & Patient Navigation Program – Kimberly Sanders, Director

**Ms. Kimberly Sanders, Director for the Cleveland Clinic Taussig Cancer Institute provided an overview of the Community Outreach & Patient Navigation Program.**

**Committee members asked questions of Ms. Sanders pertaining to the presentation, which she answered accordingly.**

7. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

**There was no miscellaneous business.**

8. ADJOURNMENT

**With no further business to discuss, Chairwoman Conwell adjourned the meeting at 2:06 p.m., without objection.**