



## **MINUTES**

**CUYAHOGA COUNTY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2019  
CUYAHOGA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS  
C. ELLEN CONNALLY COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 4<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR  
2:30 PM**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**Council President Brady called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m.**

**2. ROLL CALL**

**Council President Brady asked Clerk Schmotzer to call the roll. Councilmembers Conwell, Jones, Brown, Baker, Miller, Tuma, Gallagher and Brady were in attendance and a quorum was determined. Councilmembers Simon and Schron entered the meeting shortly after the roll-call was taken.**

**[Clerk's note: Councilmember Stephens entered the meeting after the roll-call was taken to move to Executive Session.]**

**3. PUBLIC COMMENT**

**Ms. Loh addressed Council regarding conditions at the women's shelter.**

**4. DISCUSSION / EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

- a) Pending or imminent litigation.

**A motion was made by Mr. Schron, seconded by Ms. Brown and approved by unanimous roll-call vote to move to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing pending or imminent litigation and for no other purpose whatsoever. Executive Session was then called to order by Council President Brady at 2:36 p.m. The following Councilmembers were present: Conwell, Jones, Brown, Stephens, Simon, Baker, Miller, Tuma, Gallagher, Schron and Brady. The following additional attendees were present: Council Chief of Staff Joseph Nanni; Legislative Budget Advisor Trevor McAleer; Special Counsel Brendan Doyle; Research and Policy Analyst**

**James Boyle; Director of Law Gregory Huth; Thrasher, Dinsmore & Dolan Attorney Leo Spellacy, Jr.; Plevin & Gallucci Attorney Frank Gallucci, III; and County Executive Armond Budish. At 3:39 p.m., Executive Session was adjourned without objection and Council President Brady then reconvened the meeting.**

**Council President Brady then called for a brief recess, after which he reconvened the meeting.**

**5. LEGISLATION INTRODUCED BY EXECUTIVE**

**a) CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS FOR FIRST READING ADOPTION UNDER SUSPENSION OF RULES**

**A motion was made by Mr. Gallagher, seconded by Ms. Brown and approved by unanimous vote to suspend Rules 9D and 12A and to place on final passage Resolution Nos. R2019-0177, R2019-0178 and R2019-0179.**

- 1) R2019-0177: A Resolution repealing Resolution No. R2019-0144 dated 7/23/2019 and providing for the submission to the electors of the County of Cuyahoga an amendment to repeal Section 5.08 and enact Article XVI of the County Charter to provide for additional requirements of the Sheriff, and establishing the powers, duties, qualifications, residency, term, and removal process of the office; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Sponsor: County Executive Budish

**Ms. Brandy Carney, Chief Community Protection and Safety Officer; Mr. Gregory Huth, Law Director; and Mr. Armond Budish, County Executive, addressed Council regarding Resolution No. R2019-0177. Discussion ensued.**

**Councilmembers asked questions of Ms. Carney, Mr. Huth and County Executive Budish pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.**

**There was no further legislative action taken on Resolution No. R2019-0177.**

- 2) R2019-0178: A Resolution ratifying and authorizing a settlement with Allergan in the total amount of \$3,100,000.00 in the matter of In Re: National Prescription Opiate Litigation, United States District Court, Northern District of Ohio, Eastern Division, Case No. 1:2017-md-02804; authorizing the County Executive and/or his designee to execute the settlement agreement and any related documentation; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Sponsor: County Executive Budish

**On a motion by Mr. Schron with a second by Mr. Brady, Resolution No. R2019-0178 was considered and adopted by unanimous vote.**

- 3) R2019-0179: A Resolution ratifying and authorizing a settlement between the Counties of Cuyahoga and Summit and Endo Pharmaceuticals Inc. in the total amount of \$10,000,000.00 in cash and \$1,000,000.00 in product in the matter of In Re: National Prescription Opiate Litigation, United States District Court, Northern District of Ohio, Eastern Division, Case No. 1:2017-md-02804; authorizing the County Executive and/or his designee to execute the settlement agreement and any related documentation; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Sponsor: County Executive Budish

**On a motion by Mr. Schron with a second by Mr. Brady, Resolution No. R2019-0179 was considered and adopted by unanimous vote.**

6. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

**There was no miscellaneous business.**

7. ADJOURNMENT

**With no further business to discuss, Council President Brady adjourned the meeting at 4:23 p.m., without objection.**