



**AGENDA**  
**CUYAHOGA COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY & JUSTICE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2023**  
**CUYAHOGA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS**  
**C. ELLEN CONNALLY COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 4<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR**  
**1:00 PM**

**Committee Members:**

**Michael J. Gallagher, Chair – District 5**  
**Yvonne M. Conwell, Vice Chair – District 7**  
**Patrick Kelly – District 1**  
**Sunny M. Simon – District 11**  
**Scott Tuma – District 4**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. ROLL CALL**
- 3. PUBLIC COMMENT**
- 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE SEPTEMBER 19, 2023 MEETING**
- 5. MATTERS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE**
  - a) None
- 6. DISCUSSION**
  - a) Update from County Sheriff regarding jail
  - b) Update regarding Diversion Center
- 7. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS**
- 8. ADJOURNMENT**

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## MINUTES

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1. CALL TO ORDER

**Chairman Gallagher called the meeting to order at 1:04 p.m.**

2. ROLL CALL

**Mr. Gallagher asked Deputy Clerk Carter to call the roll. Committee members Gallagher, Conwell, Tuma and Kelly were in attendance and a quorum was determined. Committee member Simon entered the meeting after the roll call was taken. Councilmembers Miller and Jones were also in attendance.**

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

**There were no public comments given.**

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE JULY 25, 2023 MEETING

**A motion was made by Mr. Tuma, seconded by Ms. Conwell and approved by unanimous vote to approve the minutes from the July 25, 2023 meeting.**

5. MATTERS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

- a) R2023-0231: A Resolution awarding a total sum, not to exceed \$25,000, to the Downtown Cleveland Alliance for the Neighborhood Safety Specialist Program from the District 3 ARPA Community Grant Fund; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

**Mr. Michael Deemer, President and CEO of Downtown Cleveland, Inc., addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2023-0231. Discussion ensued.**

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

**On a motion by Ms. Simon with a second by Ms. Conwell, Resolution No. R2023-0231 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda for second reading.**

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

- b) R2023-0242: A Resolution authorizing an amendment to Contract No. CM402 with Trinity Services Group, Inc. for jail food services for the Cuyahoga County Jail System for the period 6/15/2020 – 9/30/2023 to extend the time period to 9/30/2024 and for additional funds in the amount of \$7,876,928.00, for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$17,740,473.00; authorizing the County Executive to execute the amendment and all other documents consistent with this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

**Ms. Donna Kaleal, Finance Manager; and Mr. Jeremy Everett, Warden, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2023-0242. Discussion ensued.**

**Committee members and Councilmembers asked questions of Ms. Kaleal and Mr. Everett pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.**

**On a motion by Mr. Kelly with a second by Ms. Conwell, Resolution No. R2023-0242 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. DISCUSSION

- a) Update from County Sheriff and Warden

**Mr. Aaron Reese, Chief Deputy Sheriff; Mr. James Repicky, Special Assistant to the Sheriff; and Mr. Everett, addressed the Committee regarding their previous law enforcement experience and job duties. Discussion ensued.**

**Committee members and Councilmembers asked questions of Messrs. Reese, Repicky and Everett pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.**

- b) Update regarding Juvenile Court staffing

**[Clerk's Note: This item was taken out of order and considered prior to Item No. 5a).]**

**The Honorable Mark Stanton, Magistrate of Common Pleas Juvenile Court Division; and Mr. Timothy McDevitt, Juvenile Court Administrator, addressed the Committee regarding budgetary needs, safety concerns and staffing issues relating to Juvenile Court. Discussion ensued.**

**Committee members and Councilmembers asked questions of Magistrate Stanton and Mr. McDevitt pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.**

**7. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS**

**There was no miscellaneous business.**

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

**With no further business to discuss, Chairman Gallagher adjourned the meeting at 2:00 p.m., without objection.**