



## **MINUTES**

**CUYAHOGA COUNTY EDUCATION, ENVIRONMENT & SUSTAINABILITY  
COMMITTEE MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2016  
CUYAHOGA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS  
C. ELLEN CONNALLY COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 4<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR  
3:00 PM**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**Chairwoman Simon called the meeting to order at 3:03 p.m.**

**2. ROLL CALL**

**Ms. Simon asked Deputy Clerk Carter to call the roll. Committee members Simon, Brown and Brady were in attendance and a quorum was determined. Committee member Jones entered the meeting shortly after the roll call was taken. Committee member Schron was absent from the meeting.**

**3. PUBLIC COMMENT RELATED TO THE AGENDA**

**No public comments were given.**

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE SEPTEMBER 21, 2016 MEETING**

**A motion was made by Mr. Jones, seconded by Ms. Brown and approved by majority vote to approve the minutes of the September 21, 2016 meeting with Ms. Simon abstaining from the vote.**

**5. MATTERS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE**

**Ms. Alison Ball, Planner, provided the Committee with overview of the projects and applications requesting funding under the Clean Ohio Green Space Conservation Program.**

- a) R2016-0170: A Resolution supporting an application for funding under the Clean Ohio Green Space Conservation Program available through the Ohio Public Works Commission on behalf of Natural Areas Land Conservancy for the conservation of ecologically significant areas known as Shelter Hill Ravines located in the Village of Hunting Valley, and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

**Mr. Keith McClintock, Vice President of Conservation for Western Reserve Land Conservancy, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2016-0170. Discussion ensued.**

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

**On a motion by Ms. Simon with a second by Ms. Brown, Resolution No. R2016-0170 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) R2016-0171: A Resolution supporting an application for funding under the Clean Ohio Green Space Conservation Program available through the Ohio Public Works Commission on behalf of Western Reserve Land Conservancy for the acquisition and conservation of ecologically significant areas known as Brecksville Upland Preserve located in the City of Brecksville, and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

**Mr. McClintock addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2016-0171. Discussion ensued.**

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

**On a motion by Ms. Simon with a second by Ms. Brown, Resolution No. R2016-0171 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) R2016-0172: A Resolution supporting an application for funding under the Clean Ohio Green Space Conservation Program available through the Ohio Public Works Commission on behalf of West Creek Conservancy for the acquisition and conservation of ecologically significant areas along the main stem of West Creek located in the City of Parma, and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

**Mr. Derek Schafer, Executive Director of West Creek Conservancy; and Ms. Ball, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2016-0172. Discussion ensued.**

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

**On a motion by Ms. Simon with a second by Ms. Brown, Resolution No. R2016-0172 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.**

- d) R2016-0173: A Resolution supporting an application for funding under the Clean Ohio Green Space Conservation Program available through the Ohio Public Works Commission on behalf of L.A.N.D. Studio, Inc. for the acquisition and conservation of ecologically significant areas on Irishtown Bend hillside along the Cuyahoga River located in the City of Cleveland, and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

**Ms. Tiffany Graham, Project Director for L.A.N.D. Studio, Inc., addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2016-0173. Discussion ensued.**

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

**On a motion by Ms. Simon with a second by Ms. Brown, Resolution No. R2016-0173 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.**

- e) R2016-0174: A Resolution supporting an application for funding under the Clean Ohio Green Space Conservation Program available through the Ohio Public Works Commission on behalf of Doan Brook Watershed Partnership for floodplain and riparian corridor restoration of Doan Brook in the City of Cleveland, and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

**Ms. Ball requested that Resolution No. R2016-0174 be withdrawn from the Committee's consideration.**

#### 6. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

**There was no miscellaneous business.**

#### 7. OTHER PUBLIC COMMENT

**No public comments were given.**

#### 8. ADJOURNMENT

**With no further business to discuss, Chairwoman Simon adjourned the meeting at 3:20 p.m., without objection.**