



MINUTES

CUYAHOGA COUNTY FINANCE & BUDGETING COMMITTEE MEETING

MONDAY, MARCH 4, 2019

CUYAHOGA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS

C. ELLEN CONNALLY COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 4TH FLOOR

1:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Miller called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Mr. Miller asked Assistant Deputy Clerk Johnson to call the roll. Committee members Miller, Tuma, Gallagher, Schron, Brown and Baker were in attendance and a quorum was determined. Committee member Simon entered the meeting after the roll call was taken. Councilmember Brady was also in attendance.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments given.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE FEBRUARY 21, 2019 MEETING

A motion was made by Ms. Baker, seconded by Mr. Schron and approved by unanimous vote to approve the minutes from the February 21, 2019 meeting.

5. MATTERS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

- a) None

There were no matters referred to the Committee.

6. DISCUSSION

- a) Item AX from R2019-0053:

01A001 – General Fund
LA000794 – County Law Department
Other Expenses

BA1915062
\$200,000.00

Increase appropriations to allow the Law Department to hire contract temporary attorneys to assist preparing documents for release in response to subpoenas and public records request. These documents have to be thoroughly screened to exclude any documents that are protected under attorney-client privilege, the work product doctrine, and HIPAA. Funding comes from the General Fund.

Ms. Margaret Keenan, Director of the Office of Budget and Management; Mr. Jonathan McGory, Assistant Law Director; and Ms. Nora Hurley, Interim Law Director provided the Committee with a brief overview regarding an increase in appropriations to hire 11 contract temporary attorneys, the scope of work on the project, the bid process for the contract, start date for the project and possible obstacles for meeting deadlines. Discussion ensued.

Committee members and Councilmembers asked questions of Ms. Keenan, Mr. McGory and Ms. Hurley 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 Miller adjourned the meeting at 1:22 p.m., without objection.