

County Council of Cuyahoga County, Ohio

Resolution No. R2014-0108

Sponsored by: Councilmembers Conwell, Germana, Brady and Miller	A Resolution amending the 2014/2015 Biennial Operating Budget for 2014 by providing for an additional fiscal appropriation in order to meet the budgetary needs of a County department, and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.
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WHEREAS, on December 10, 2013, the Cuyahoga County Council adopted the Biennial Operating Budget and Capital Improvements Program for 2014/2015 (Resolution No. R2013-0229) establishing the 2014/2015 biennial budget for all County departments, offices and agencies; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to adjust the Biennial Operating Budget for 2014 to provide an additional appropriation to cover the general operating expenses for the Cleveland Hearing and Speech Center, specifically for the Audiology Patient Assistance Program; and

WHEREAS, the 2010 United States Census indicates that there are, at least, 152,921 people in Northeast Ohio who have hearing difficulty, and the funding to the Cleveland Hearing and Speech Center from the County will help cover the costs of providing services to these individuals; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Bernard Henri and Ms. Michelle Burnett, from the Cleveland Hearing and Speech Center, addressed the Cuyahoga County's Health, Human Services & Aging Committee on March 5, 2014 and presented their need for a grant from the County to cover general operating expenses for their Audiology Patient Assistance Program; and

WHEREAS, the County Council will consider an appropriation for funding the Audiology Patient Assistance Program in 2015 during the 2014-2015 biennial budget update process; and

WHEREAS, it is further necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective in order that critical services provided by Cuyahoga County can continue and to provide for the usual, daily operation of County departments, offices, and agencies.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CUYAHOGA COUNTY, OHIO:

SECTION 1. That the 2014/2015 Biennial Operating Budget for 2014 be amended to provide for the following additional appropriation increase:

Fund Nos./Budget Accounts

A.	24A430 – Office of Health and Human Services		
	HS157289 –Executive Office of H&HS		
	Other Expenses	\$	104,000.00

Funding Source: Funding to cover the general operating support for the Cleveland Hearing and Speech Center is from the Cuyahoga County Health and Human Services Levy Fund.

SECTION 2. The additional appropriation provided in Section 1, Item A is for the purpose of providing general operating funding for the Cleveland Hearing and Speech Center, particularly for the Audiology Patient Assistance Program.

SECTION 3. The County Council is authorizing the County’s Office of Budget and Management to carry out the necessary steps in order to provide the additional appropriation(s) in Section 1.

SECTION 4. It is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective for the usual daily operation of the County; the preservation of public peace, health, or safety in the County; and any additional reasons set forth in the preamble. Provided that this Resolution receives the affirmative vote of at least eight members of Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon the earliest occurrence of any of the following: (1) its approval by the County Executive through signature, (2) the expiration of the time during which it may be disapproved by the County Executive under Section 3.10(6) of the Cuyahoga County Charter, or (3) its passage by at least eight members of Council after disapproval pursuant to Section 3.10(7) of the Cuyahoga County Charter. Otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

SECTION 5. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of the Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

On a motion by Mr. Miller, seconded by Ms. Conwell, the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted.

Yeas: Jones, Hairston, Simon, Greenspan, Miller, Germana, Gallagher, Schron, Conwell and Connally

Nays: None

County Council President

Date

County Executive

Date

Clerk of Council

Date

First Reading/Referred to Committee: April 22, 2014

Committee(s) Assigned: Finance & Budgeting

Committee Report/Second Reading: May 13, 2014

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