



## MINUTES

CUYAHOGA COUNTY COUNCIL OPERATIONS & INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS  
COMMITTEE MEETING  
MONDAY, MAY 19, 2014  
CUYAHOGA COUNTY JUSTICE CENTER  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 1<sup>ST</sup> FLOOR  
9:00 AM

1. CALL TO ORDER

**Chairman Greenspan called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m.**

2. ROLL CALL

**Mr. Greenspan asked Assistant Deputy Clerk Carter to call the roll. Committee members Greenspan, Miller, Connally and Gallagher were in attendance and a quorum was determined. Committee member Brady was absent from the meeting. Councilmember Conwell was also in attendance.**

**Pursuant to Rule 12F of the Council Rules, Council President Connally appointed Councilmember Conwell as a Member Pro Tem of the Council Operations & Intergovernmental Relations Committee.**

3. PUBLIC COMMENT RELATED TO THE AGENDA

**No public comments were given.**

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE MAY 5, 2014 MEETING

**A motion was made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Gallagher and approved by unanimous vote to approve the minutes of the May 5, 2014 meeting.**

5. MATTERS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

- a) O2014-0001: An Ordinance amending Sections 407.01 and 407.15 of the Cuyahoga County Code to add a definition for “Nominee” and to

prohibit Nominees from making political contributions to nominating or appointing authorities and Public Officials from accepting same from their Nominees, and declaring the necessity that this Ordinance become immediately effective.

**Mr. Michael King, Special Counsel, and Mr. James Boyle, Special Assistant to County Executive FitzGerald, addressed the Committee regarding Ordinance No. O2014-0001. Discussion ensued.**

**Committee members asked questions of Mr. King and Mr. Boyle pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.**

**Mr. Greenspan introduced a proposed substitute to Ordinance No. O2014-0001. Discussion ensued.**

**A motion was then made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Gallagher and approved by unanimous vote to accept the proposed substitute.**

**A motion was made by Mr. Greenspan and seconded by Mr. Miller to refer Ordinance No. O2014-0001 to the full Council agenda for second reading, as substituted. The motion failed on a roll-call vote of 2 yeas and 3 nays with Committee members Greenspan and Miller casting the only affirmative votes.**

**Mr. Greenspan requested to have Ordinance No. O2014-0001 withdrawn from the Committee's consideration.**

- b) O2014-0010: An Ordinance amending Section 205.06 of the Cuyahoga County Code to incorporate changes to the composition and compensation of the Cuyahoga County Debarment Review Board, and declaring the necessity that this Ordinance become immediately effective.

**Ms. Connally addressed the Committee regarding Ordinance No. O2014-0010. Discussion ensued.**

**Mr. Boyle addressed the Committee regarding Ordinance No. O2014-0010. Discussion ensued.**

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

**A motion was then made by Ms. Connally, seconded by Mr. Gallagher and approved by unanimous vote to amend Ordinance No. O2014-0010 by inserting *"This person shall be an elector of the County and"* in Section 205.06(A)(1).**

**On a motion by Ms. Connally with a second by Mr. Gallagher, Ordinance No. O2014-0010 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda for second reading, as amended.**

- c) O2014-0015: An Ordinance enacting the Cuyahoga County Electronic Modernization Act by authorizing the electronic delivery and execution of legislation, contracts, and other instruments and documents.

**Mr. Majeed Makhlouf, Law Director, and Mr. Trevor McAleer, Legislative Budget Advisor, addressed the Committee regarding Ordinance No. O2014-0015. Discussion ensued.**

**Committee members asked questions of Mr. Makhlouf and Mr. McAleer pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.**

**On a motion by Ms. Connally with a second by Mr. Gallagher, Ordinance No. O2014-0015 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda for second reading.**

#### **6. DISCUSSION REGARDING PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENTS**

- a) Appointment of the Charter Review Commission

**Mr. Miller addressed the Committee regarding amending the Charter relating to requiring earlier appointments for members of the Charter Review Commission. Discussion ensued.**

**Mr. Boyle addressed the Committee regarding the current appointment process for the Charter Review Commission. Discussion ensued.**

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

- b) Residency requirement for Councilmembers during redistricting

**Mr. Miller addressed the Committee regarding amending the Charter relating to changing the residency requirement for Councilmembers during redistricting. Discussion ensued.**

**Mr. King addressed the Committee regarding residency requirements under the Charter for Councilmembers. Discussion ensued.**

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

- c) Rename the legislative body of the County

**Ms. Conwell addressed the Committee regarding amending the Charter relating to changing the name of County Council. Discussion ensued.**

**Mr. Kahlil Seren, Research and Policy Analyst, discussed proposed alternatives and provided the Committee with a list of names of other legislative bodies. Discussion ensued.**

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

- d) Remove party affiliation and require non-partisan elections for positions for County Council and County Executive

**Mr. Greenspan addressed the Committee regarding amending the Charter relating to removing party affiliation and requiring non-partisan elections for County Councilmembers and the County Executive. Discussion ensued.**

**Mr. Boyle addressed the Committee regarding the current election process and succession. Discussion ensued.**

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

#### **7. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS**

**There was no miscellaneous business.**

#### **8. OTHER PUBLIC COMMENT**

**No public comments were given.**

#### **9. ADJOURNMENT**

**With no further business to discuss, Chairman Greenspan adjourned the meeting at 10:38 a.m., without objection.**