



CUYAHOGA COUNTY COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING

CUYAHOGA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS,
4th FLOOR

MEETING MINUTES

TUESDAY, JULY 21, 2026 — 5:00 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Council President Miller stated that the meeting will start shortly and asked that attendees please take a seat.

Council President Miller called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

Council President Miller made a brief statement regarding Cuyahoga County Council procedures and decorum for Public Comment at Council Meetings.

2. ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Houser, Simon, Kelly, Sweeney, Casselberry, Gallagher, Schleper, Conwell and Miller were in attendance, and a quorum was determined. Mr. Jones and Ms. Turner arrived after the roll call was taken.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

4. SILENT MEDITATION

Council President Miller requested a moment of silent reflection.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

Matthew Ahn addressed Council regarding funding requests and various Levies that will be put before the voters within the next 10 months.

Loh addressed Council regarding the Health and Human Services Levy.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a) June 23, 2026 Committee of the Whole
- b) June 23, 2026 Regular Meeting
- c) July 7, 2026 Committee of the Whole
- d) July 7, 2026 Regular Meeting

A motion was made by Mr. Sweeney, seconded by Mr. Schleper and approved by unanimous vote to approve the minutes from the June 23, 2026 Committee of the Whole, June 23, 2026 Regular, meeting and the July 7, 2026 Committee of the Whole and July 7, 2026 Regular meetings.

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT

President Miller acknowledged Ms. Christine McIntosh, a candidate for the County Council seat in District 11. Mr. Miller also mentioned an article written by Kaitlin Durbin, Cleveland.com. According to the article the Gateway Board met on Wednesday, July 15, 2026, and identified \$52 million dollars in needed repairs to Progressive Field and Rocket Arena, of which \$7.7 million can be funded from savings on other projects and deferrals. The repairs cover pedestrian ramps and four elevators at the ballpark. In addition, \$37.3 million is needed to repair the arena's audio and video systems, \$6 million for the air handling units at Progressive Field, and \$1 million to repair concrete in the main concourse. Except for the \$7.7 million there are no funding sources for these capital repairs. Most of the Sin Tax has been bonded out for repairs that have already been completed. Mr. Miller said the County and the City are the underlying owners of the Ballpark and the Arena, as we have contractual obligations through our leases with the sports teams. He also said It is cheaper to maintain these facilities rather than letting them rundown and have to build new structures after 25 to 30 years. Mr. Miller stated this is an urgent matter that needs the City and the County's continued attention to find a long term solution.

Councilmember Martin Sweeney commented on the importance of Gateway and the Arena and said it's imperative that the County addresses this critical funding issue in 2026. Mr. Sweeney also noted that he believes the collaboration efforts of the City of Cleveland and Cuyahoga County will be successful.

Mr. Sweeney commended Councilmember Gallagher for leading the efforts in sponsoring Ordinance No. O2026-0004 An Ordinance amending Chapters 703 & 726 of the Cuyahoga County Code to allocate additional revenues to supplement the Sports Facility Reserve, and expressed that this legislation is a possible revenue stream to meet the County's obligations with Gateway.

8. MESSAGES FROM THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

County Executive congratulated the Treasurer's Office, Mr. Brad Cromes, County Treasurer and Ms. Victoria Berry, Manager of External Affairs, Tax Payer's Delinquency, were honored on behalf of the entire Department by the National Association of County Officials for fiscal management for the Tax Payers Assistance Program.

9. LEGISLATION INTRODUCED BY COUNCIL

- a) CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION OF COUNCIL FOR FIRST READING ADOPTION UNDER SUSPENSION OF RULES**

A motion was made by Mr. Gallagher, seconded by Ms. Simon and approved by unanimous vote to suspend Rules 9D and 12A to place on final passage Resolution No. R2026-0208.

- 1) R2026-0208: A Resolution providing for the appointment of Katura L. Pleasant as Research & Policy Analyst to serve the Council of Cuyahoga County, and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.**

Sponsor Council President Miller

Mr. Trevor McAleer, Council staff, presented the item.

On a motion by Mr. Miller with a second by Ms. Turner, Resolution No. R2026-0208 was considered and adopted by unanimous vote.

b) CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS OF COUNCIL FOR FIRST READING AND REFERRAL TO COMMITTEE

- 1) R2026-0209: A Resolution awarding a total sum, not to exceed \$25,000, to the Cuyahoga County Prosecutor's Office Animal Crimes Unit for the Abused and Neglected Animal Health Restoration Fund from the District 11 ARPA Community Grant Fund; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Sponsor Councilmember Simon

Council President Miller referred Resolution No. R2026-0209 to the Education, Environment & Sustainability Committee.

- 2) R2026-0210: A Resolution awarding a 9-1-1 Consolidated Shared Services Fund Grant award in the amount not-to-exceed \$3,000,000, to the City of North Olmsted for the purpose of the North Olmsted's Regional Dispatch Center Project; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Sponsor Councilmember Kelly

Council President Miller referred Resolution No. R2026-0210 to the Public Safety & Justice Affairs Committee.

c) COMMITTEE REPORTS AND CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS OF COUNCIL FOR SECOND READING

- 1) R2026-0167: A Resolution providing for the submission to the electors of the County of Cuyahoga an amendment to Article I, Section 1.02 of the County Charter to provide that no tax levied, extended, or renewed by the County shall go into effect until such question has been submitted to, and approved by, the electors of the County; and to provide for the manner of submitting such question to the electors.

Sponsor Councilmember Gallagher

Committee Assignment and Chair: Committee of the Whole – Miller

No legislative action was taken on this item.

- 2) R2026-0169: A Resolution providing for the submission to the electors of the County of Cuyahoga an amendment to Article XVI of the County Charter to provide that the Sheriff be elected quadrennially commencing at the 2028 countywide general election, and providing for the qualifications and powers and duties for the office of the Sheriff.

Sponsors Councilmember Sweeney and Kelly

Committee Assignment and Chair: Committee of the Whole – Miller

Clerk Richardson read Resolution No. R2026-0169 into the record. This item will move to the August 4, 2026 Council meeting agenda for consideration for third reading adoption.

- 3) R2026-0170: A Resolution providing for the submission to the electors of the County of Cuyahoga an amendment to Article II, Section 2.03 and Article VI, Section 6.04 of the County Charter to require that County Council confirm the County Executive's removal of members of boards, agencies, commissions and authorities as are (1) created by or pursuant to the Charter or (2) as are provided by general law to be appointed by boards of county commissioners.

Sponsors Councilmembers Simon and Sweeney

Committee Assignment and Chair: Committee of the Whole – Miller

Clerk Richardson read Resolution No. R2026-0170 into the record. This item will move to the August 4, 2026 Council meeting agenda for consideration for third reading adoption.

- 4) R2026-0195: A Resolution providing for the submission to the electors of the County of Cuyahoga an amendment to Article II, Section 2.03, Article VI, Section 6.04, and Article XII, Section 12.09 of the County Charter to provide that appointments by the County to certain boards and commissions be equally divided between the Council and the County Executive, and to further provide that, for certain appointments requiring Council confirmation, if the Council fails to act on an appointment of the County Executive within sixty days such appointment shall be deemed rejected without further action by the Council.

Sponsor Councilmember Sweeney

Committee Assignment and Chair: Committee of the Whole – Miller

Clerk Richardson read Resolution No. R2026-0195 into the record. This item will move to the August 4, 2026 Council meeting agenda for consideration for third reading adoption.

- d) COMMITTEE REPORT AND CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION OF COUNCIL FOR SECOND READING ADOPTION UNDER SUSPENSION OF RULES

A motion was made by Mr. Gallagher, seconded by Ms. Simon and approved by unanimous vote to suspend Rule 9D and to place on final passage Resolution No. R2026-0183.

- 1) R2026-0183: A Resolution adopting various changes to the Cuyahoga County Non-Bargaining Classification Plan; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Sponsor Councilmember Sweeney on behalf of Cuyahoga County Personnel Review Commission

Committee Assignment and Vice Chair: Human Resources, Appointments & Equity – Gallagher

On a motion by Mr. Gallagher with a second by Mr. Miller, Resolution No. R2026-0183 was considered and adopted by unanimous vote.

e) CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS OF COUNCIL FOR THIRD READING ADOPTION

- 1) R2026-0164: A Resolution awarding a total sum, not to exceed \$10,000, to Cuyahoga Community College for the purchase of a mini-excavator for the Utility Technician program from the District 3 ARPA Community Grant Fund; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Sponsors: Councilmembers Sweeney and Turner

Committee Assignment and Chair: Education, Environment & Sustainability – Simon

On a motion by Ms. Simon with a second by Mr. Casselberry, Resolution No. R2026-0164 was considered and adopted by unanimous vote.

- 2) R2026-0184: A Resolution awarding a total sum, not to exceed \$10,000, to Treatment Works, Inc. for the purpose of fixing and updating plumbing from the District 3 ARPA Community Grant Fund; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Sponsors: Councilmembers Sweeney and Houser

Committee Assignment and Chair: Community Development & Housing – Houser

On a motion by Mr. Miller with a second by Mr. Casselberry, Resolution No. R2026-0184 was considered and adopted by unanimous vote.

- 3) R2026-0185: A Resolution awarding a total sum, not to exceed \$10,000, to the Tremont West Development Corporation for the purpose of installing a concrete seating area and gathering space within the dog park at Clark Field project from the District 3 ARPA Community Grant Fund; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Sponsors: Councilmembers Sweeney, Conwell and Turner

Committee Assignment and Chair: Community Development & Housing – Houser

On a motion by Ms. Simon with a second by Mr. Casselberry, Resolution No. R2026-0185 was considered and adopted by unanimous vote.

f) CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION OF COUNCIL FOR FOURTH READING ADOPTION

- 1) R2026-0155: A Resolution determining to proceed with submitting to the electors of Cuyahoga County the question of an additional 2.25-mill tax levy for the operation of community programs and services authorized by county boards of developmental disabilities, for the acquisition, construction, renovation, financing, maintenance, and operation of developmental disabilities facilities, or for both of such purposes in accordance with Section 5705.222 of the Ohio Revised Code; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Sponsors: Council President Miller on behalf of the Cuyahoga County Board of Developmental Disabilities and Councilmembers Sweeney, Turner, Schleper, Conwell and Gallagher

Committee Assignment and Chair: Committee of the Whole – Miller

On a motion by Mr. Miller with a second by Ms. Conwell, Resolution No. R2026-0155 was considered and adopted by unanimous vote.

g) CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDINANCE OF COUNCIL FOR FIRST READING AND REFERRAL TO COMMITTEE

- 1) O2026-0010: An Ordinance repealing Section 207.02 of the Cuyahoga County Code and amending Chapter 708 of the Cuyahoga County Code to dissolve the Cuyahoga County 9-1-1 Consolidation Shared Services Fund Review committee.

Sponsors Councilmembers Simon, Gallagher and Kelly

No legislative action was taken on this item.

h) COMMITTEE REPORT AND CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDINANCE OF COUNCIL FOR SECOND READING

- 1) O2026-0009: An Ordinance enacting Chapter 810 of the Cuyahoga County Code to establish the Community Benefits Advisory Committee.

Sponsors: Councilmembers Houser, Turner, Simon and Jones

Committee Assignment and Chair: Community Development & Housing – Houser

Council President Miller introduced a proposed substitute to Ordinance No. O2026-0009. Ms. Cynthia Mason, Council staff, addressed Council regarding the item.

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

This item will move to the August 4, 2026 Council meeting agenda as substituted, for consideration for fourth reading adoption. Councilmember Conwell requested to have her name added as a co-sponsor to the legislation.

10. LEGISLATION INTRODUCED BY EXECUTIVE

a) CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS FOR FIRST READING ADOPTION UNDER SUSPENSION OF RULES

A motion was made by Mr. Gallagher, seconded by Ms. Simon and approved by unanimous vote to suspend Rules 9D and 12A to place on final passage Resolution Nos. R2026-0211 & R2026-0212.

- 1) R2026-0211: A Resolution amending the 2026/2027 Biennial Operating Budget for 2026 for Special Revenue Funds by providing for additional fiscal appropriations from the General Fund and other funding sources, for appropriation transfers between budget accounts and for cash transfers between budgetary funds, to meet the budgetary needs of various County departments; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Sponsor: County Executive Ronayne/Fiscal Officer/Office of Budget and Management

On a motion by Ms. Turner with a second by Mr. Miller, Resolution No. R2026-0211 was considered and adopted by unanimous vote.

- 2) R2026-0212: A Resolution amending the 2026/2027 Biennial Operating Budget for 2026 by providing additional fiscal appropriations from the General Fund and Health and Human Services Levies, to meet the budgetary needs of various County departments; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Sponsor: County Executive Ronayne/Fiscal Officer/Office of Budget and Management

On a motion by Ms. Turner with a second by Ms. Conwell, Resolution No. R2026-0212 was considered and adopted by unanimous vote.

b) CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS FOR FIRST READING AND REFERRAL TO COMMITTEE

- 1) R2026-0213: A Resolution confirming the County Executive's appointment of Mary R. Cierebiej to serve on the Cuyahoga County Community Improvement

Corporation Board of Trustees for an unexpired term ending 1/1/2027; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Sponsor: County Executive Ronayne

Council President Miller referred Resolution No. R2026-0213 to the Human Resources, Appointments & Equity Committee.

- 2) R2026-0214: A Resolution confirming the County Executive's appointment of Emily Monteleone to serve on The Cleveland/Cuyahoga County Workforce Development Board for the term 7/1/2026 – 6/30/2029; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Sponsor: County Executive Ronayne

Council President Miller referred Resolution No. R2026-0214 to the Human Resources, Appointments & Equity Committee.

- 3) R2026-0215: A Resolution confirming the County Executive's appointment of Patricia Newell to serve on the Western Reserve Area Agency on Aging Board of Trustees for an unexpired term ending 12/31/2026; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Sponsor: County Executive Ronayne

Council President Miller referred Resolution No. R2026-0215 to the Human Resources, Appointments & Equity Committee. Councilmember Turner requested to have her name added as a co-sponsor to the legislation.

- 4) R2026-0216: A Resolution confirming the County Executive's appointment of Wayne D. Hudson to serve on the Alcohol, Drug Addiction and Mental Health Services Board of Cuyahoga County for a four-year term ending 6/30/2029; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Sponsor: County Executive Ronayne

Council President Miller referred Resolution No. R2026-0216 to the Human Resources, Appointments & Equity Committee. Councilmember Turner requested to have her name added as a co-sponsor to the legislation.

- 5) R2026-0217: A Resolution declaring that public convenience and welfare requires the resurfacing of various avenues, boulevards, roads and streets located in various municipalities in connection with the 2027-2028 50/50 Resurfacing Program; total estimated project cost is \$17,664,950.00, and finding that special assessments will neither be levied nor collected to pay for any part of the County's costs of said improvement; requesting authority for the County Executive to enter into and execute the necessary agreements of cooperation with the various municipalities

in connection with said projects; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective:

- a) Wolf Road from Bassett Road to 0.16 miles East of Bassett Road and from Bay Village High School to Porter Creek Drive in the City of Bay Village; Council District 1; total estimated project cost \$826,018.00; project is to be funded \$250,000.00 with County Road and Bridge Funds and \$576,018.00 from the City of Bay Village.
- b) Fairmount Boulevard reconstruction at the Fairmount Boulevard/Shakercrest Boulevard intersection in the City of Beachwood, including new eastbound and westbound left-turn-only lanes and a new traffic signal; Council District 11; total estimated project cost \$593,000.00; project is to be funded \$250,000.00 with County Road and Bridge Funds and \$343,000.00 from the City of Beachwood.
- c) Solon Road from Northfield Road to 515ft East of Northfield Road in the City of Bedford; Council District 9; total estimated project cost \$544,800.00; project is to be funded \$250,000.00 with County Road and Bridge Funds and \$294,800.00 from the City of Bedford.
- d) Bartlett Road from Columbus Road to Rockside Road in the City of Bedford Heights; Council District 9; total estimated project cost \$500,000.00; project is to be funded \$250,000.00 with County Road and Bridge Funds and \$250,000.00 from the City of Bedford Heights.
- e) Ridge Road from Flowerdale Avenue to Memphis Avenue in the City of Brooklyn; Council District 3; total estimated project cost \$4,837,116.00; project is to be funded \$250,000.00 with County Road and Bridge Funds and \$4,587,116.00 from the City of Brooklyn.
- f) Tuxedo Avenue from the West Corporation Line to West 6th Street in the Village of Brooklyn Heights; Council District 8; total estimated project cost \$390,000.00; project is to be funded \$195,000.00 with County Road and Bridge Funds and \$195,000.00 from the Village of Brooklyn Heights.
- g) Eddy Road from Euclid Avenue to Hayden Avenue in the City of East Cleveland; Council District 10; total estimated project cost \$536,884.00; project is to be funded \$250,000.00 with County Road and Bridge Funds and \$286,884.00 from the City of East Cleveland.
- h) Westwood Avenue from the West Corporation Line to West 210th Street in the City of Fairview Park; Council District 1; total estimated project cost \$923,000.00; project is to be funded \$250,000.00 with County Road and Bridge Funds and \$673,000.00 from the City of Fairview Park.

- i) Granger Road from I-480 to the East Corporation Line in the City of Garfield Heights; Council District 8; total estimated project cost \$534,116.00; project is to be funded \$250,000.00 with County Road and Bridge Funds and \$284,116.00 from the City of Garfield Heights.
- j) Pettibone Road from Richmond Road to Bond Street in the Village of Glenwillow; Council District 6; total estimated project cost \$1,492,278.00; project is to be funded \$250,000.00 with County Road and Bridge Funds and \$1,242,278.00 from the Village of Glenwillow.
- k) Harvard Road from Northfield Road to Millcreek Boulevard in the Village of Highland Hills; Council District 9; total estimated project cost \$501,500.00; project is to be funded \$250,000.00 with County Road and Bridge Funds and \$251,500.00 from the Village of Highland Hills.
- l) Rockside Road from the West Corporation Line to Brecksville Road in the City of Independence; Council District 6; total estimated project cost \$225,000.00; project is to be funded \$112,500.00 with County Road and Bridge Funds and \$112,500.00 from the City of Independence.
- m) Cedar Road from Brainard Road to the East Corporation Line (North Side only) in the City of Lyndhurst; Council District 11; total estimated project cost \$350,000.00; project is to be funded \$175,000.00 with County Road and Bridge Funds and \$175,000.00 from the City of Lyndhurst.
- n) Schreiber Road from the West Corporation Line to Dunham Road in the City of Maple Heights; Council District 8; total estimated project cost \$460,000.00; project is to be funded \$230,000.00 with County Road and Bridge Funds and \$230,000.00 from the City of Maple Heights.
- o) West 130th Street from Sprague Road to Bagley Road (West Side only) in the City of Middleburg Heights; Council District 4; total estimated project cost \$551,000.00; project is to be funded \$250,000.00 with County Road and Bridge Funds and \$301,000.00 from the City of Middleburg Heights.
- p) Harvard Avenue from the West Corporation Line to East 42nd Street in the Village of Newburgh Heights; Council District 8; total estimated project cost \$734,616.00; project is to be funded \$250,000.00 with County Road and Bridge Funds and \$484,616.00 from the Village of Newburgh Heights.
- q) Broadway Avenue from Oak Leaf Road to Forbes Road in the Village of Oakwood; Council District 6; total estimated project cost \$500,000.00; project is to be funded \$250,000.00 with County Road and Bridge Funds and \$250,000.00 from the Village of Oakwood.
- r) West 130th Street from Sprague Road to Bagley Road (East Side only) in the City of Parma; Council District 4; total estimated project cost

\$551,000.00; project is to be funded \$250,000.00 with County Road and Bridge Funds and \$301,000.00 from the City of Parma.

- s) West Ridgewood Drive from York Road to the East Corporation Line in the City of Parma Heights; Council District 4; total estimated project cost \$1,010,472.00; project is to be funded \$250,000.00 with County Road and Bridge Funds and \$760,472.00 from the City of Parma Heights.
- t) White Road from Richmond Road to the East Corporation Line in the City of Richmond Heights; Council District 11; total estimated project cost \$536,000.00; project is to be funded \$250,000.00 with County Road and Bridge Funds and \$286,000.00 from the City of Richmond Heights.
- u) Miles Road from Lander Road to SOM Center Road (South Side only) in the City of Solon; Council District 6; total estimated project cost \$511,000.00; project is to be funded \$250,000.00 with County Road and Bridge Funds and \$261,000.00 from the City of Solon.
- v) South Belvoir Boulevard from Bluestone Road to Monticello Boulevard (Northbound only) in the City of South Euclid; Council District 11; total estimated project cost \$557,150.00; project is to be funded \$250,000.00 with County Road and Bridge Funds and \$307,150.00 from the City of South Euclid.

Sponsor: County Executive Ronayne/Department of Public Works

Council President Miller referred Resolution No. R2026-0217 to the Public Works, Procurement & Contracting Committee. Councilmembers Turner, Kelly, Casselberry, Houser, Schleper and Jones requested to have their names added as-co-sponsors to the legislation.

- 6) R2026-0218: A Resolution authorizing an amendment to Contract No. 4978 with Microsoft Corporation for Microsoft Unified Enterprise software installation, configuration, training and support services for the period 12/6/2024 - 9/1/2026 to extend the time period to 9/1/2027, and for additional funds in the amount not-to-exceed \$1,019,508.54, effective 9/2/2026; 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.

Sponsor: County Executive Ronayne/Department of Information Technology

Council President Miller referred Resolution No. R2026-0218 to the Council Operations, Information Technology & Public Transportation Committee.

- 7) R2026-0219: A Resolution authorizing a contract with Medical Mutual of Ohio in the amount not-to-exceed \$2,919,182.00 for stop loss insurance services for Cuyahoga County and Cuyahoga County Benefits Regionalization Program participants for the period 1/1/2026 – 12/31/2026; authorizing the County Executive to execute Contract No. 6312 and all other documents consistent with

said award and this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Sponsor: County Executive Ronayne/Department of Human Resources

Council President Miller referred Resolution No. R2026-0219 to the Human Resources, Appointments & Equity Committee.

- 8) R2026-0220: A Resolution authorizing amendments to contracts with various providers for real estate appraisal services in connection with the Sheriff's sale for the period 9/1/2017 – 8/31/2026 to extend the time period to 12/31/2029, to amend Section 3 – Expense Reimbursement to change the mileage rate from \$0.655 per mile to \$0.725 per mile, effective upon signatures of all parties starting 9/1/2026; 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:

- a) Contract No. 3349 with John Andrews
- b) Contract No. 3410 with Brent Bailey
- c) Contract No. 3350 with Lana Blaze
- d) Contract No. 3351 with Vernon Blaze
- e) Contract No. 3352 with Mark Butler
- f) Contract No. 3354 with Richard Carey
- g) Contract No. 3355 with Thomas Hogan
- h) Contract No. 3356 with Edward D. Horton
- i) Contract No. 3359 with John Koz
- j) Contract No. 3360 with Ruth Lassiter
- k) Contract No. 3361 with John Lenehan
- l) Contract No. 3362 with Wayne Levering
- m) Contract No. 3363 with Christopher Loftus
- n) Contract No. 3409 with John Lynch
- o) Contract No. 3365 with Paul McLaughlin
- p) Contract No. 3370 with Stan Patriski
- q) Contract No. 3367 with Daniel Rocco
- r) Contract No. 3368 with Michael Wagner
- s) Contract No. 3369 with Crystal Williams
- t) Contract No. 3435 with Gregory Williams

Sponsor: County Executive Ronayne/Sheriff's Department

Council President Miller referred Resolution No. R2026-0220 to the Public Safety & Justice Affairs Committee.

- 9) R2026-0221: A Resolution authorizing an amendment to Contract No. 3437 (fka Contract No. 2840) with Maximus Human Services, Inc. for the Ohio Works First Program for the period 1/1/2023 – 6/30/2026 to extend the time period to

9/30/2026, to amend budget terms, and for additional funds in the amount not-to-exceed \$1,020,620.06, effective 7/1/2026; 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.

Sponsor: County Executive Ronayne/Department of Health and Human Services/Division of Job and Family Services

Council President Miller referred Resolution No. R2026-0221 to the Education, Environment & Sustainability Committee.

- 10) R2026-0222: A Resolution authorizing an amendment to Contract No. 3438 (fka Contract No. 2841) with The Centers for Families and Children for the Ohio Works First Program for the period 1/1/2023 - 6/30/2026 to extend the time period to 9/30/2026, to amend budget terms, and for additional funds in the amount not to exceed \$1,209,735.49, effective 7/1/2026; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Sponsor: County Executive Ronayne/Department of Health and Human Services/Division of Job and Family Services

Council President Miller referred Resolution No. R2026-0222 to the Health, Human Services & Aging Committee.

- 11) R2026-0223: A Resolution authorizing a contract to Catholic Charities Corporation in the amount not-to-exceed \$1,340,000.00 for success coaching services for eligible Ohio Works First applicants and management of the incentive payment system in connection with the Benefit Bridge Program for the period 7/1/2026 - 6/30/2027; authorizing the County Executive to execute Contract No. 6079 and all other documents consistent with said award and this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Sponsor: County Executive Ronayne/Department of Health and Human Services/Cuyahoga Job and Family Services

Council President Miller referred Resolution No. R2026-0223 to the Health, Human Services & Aging Committee.

- 12) R2026-0224: A Resolution authorizing an amendment to a Master Contract with various providers for emergency assistance services for the period 9/1/2024 - 8/31/2026 to extend the time period to 8/31/2027, to change terms, and for additional funds in the total amount not-to-exceed \$1,575,000.00, effective 9/1/2026; authorizing the County Executive to execute the Master Contract and all other documents consistent with this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective:

- a) Contract No. 4620 with A-Z Furniture Co., Inc. in the anticipated amount of \$315,000.00.
- b) Contract No. 4617 with Burlington Stores in the anticipated amount of \$500,000.00.
- c) Contract No. 4622 with Dave's Supermarket, Inc. in the anticipated amount of \$125,000.00.
- d) Contract No. 4621 with Penney OpCo LLC dba JCPenney in the anticipated amount of \$250,000.00.
- e) Contract No. 4619 with West 25th Furnishings and Appliances, Inc. in the anticipated amount of \$385,000.00.

Sponsor: County Executive Ronayne/Department of Health and Human Services/Division of Children and Family Services

Council President Miller referred Resolution No. R2026-0224 to the Health, Human Services & Aging Committee.

- 13) R2026-0225: A Resolution authorizing an amendment to a Master Contract with various providers for operating support of the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) approved permanent housing services for the period 7/1/2024 - 6/30/2026 to extend the time period to 10/31/2027, to amend various terms, to change a vendors name, and for additional funds in the total amount not-to-exceed \$2,812,354.00, effective 7/1/2026; 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:
 - a) Contract No. 4700 with Emerald Development and Economic Network, Inc. in the amount not-to-exceed \$1,419,132.00.
 - b) Contract No. 4701 with Famicos Foundation, Inc. in the amount not-to-exceed \$200,129.00.
 - c) Contract No. 6291 (fka Contract No. 4702) with Front Steps Housing & Services, Inc., to change the name of the vendor to Front Steps Housing & Services dba Rising Well Services, Inc. in the amount not-to-exceed \$371,240.00.
 - d) Contract No. 4703 with Humility of Mary Housing, Inc. in the amount not-to-exceed \$147,728.00.

- e) Contract No. 4704 with Mental Health Services for Homeless Persons, Inc. dba Frontline Service in the amount not-to-exceed \$238,257.00.
- f) Contract No. 4705 with The Young Women's Christian Association of Greater Cleveland, Ohio - YWCA Cogswell Hall in the amount not-to-exceed \$247,100.00.
- g) Contract No. 4706 with The Young Women's Christian Association of Greater Cleveland, Ohio - YWCA Independence Place in the amount not-to-exceed \$188,768.00.

Funding Source: Health and Human Services Levy Fund

Sponsor: County Executive Ronayne/Department of Health and Human Services/Division of Community Initiatives/Office of Homeless Services

Council President Miller referred Resolution No. R2026-0225 to the Health, Human Services & Aging Committee.

- 14) R2026-0226: A Resolution authorizing acceptance of a grant award from U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in the amount of \$2,121,305.00 for Continuum of Care Coordinated Entry System in connection with FY2025 Continuum of Care Homeless Program Competition grant for the period 8/1/2026 – 7/31/2027 and authorizing awards to various subrecipients utilizing the proceeds of the grant award; authorizing the County Executive to execute the grant award and all other documents consistent with said award and this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Sponsor: County Executive Ronayne/ Department of Health and Human Services/Division of Community Initiatives/Office of Homeless Services

Council President Miller referred Resolution No. R2026-0226 to the Health, Human Services & Aging Committee.

- 15) R2026-0227: A Resolution authorizing an amendment to Contract No. 5491 with Youth Opportunities Unlimited for single Comprehensive Case Management and Employment Program provider services for young adults for the period 7/1/2025– 6/30/2026, to extend the time period to 6/30/2027 and for additional funds in the amount not-to-exceed \$6,475,025.00; 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.

Sponsor: County Executive Ronayne/Department Health and Human Services/Division of Job and Family Services

Council President Miller referred Resolution No. R2026-0227 to the Education, Environment & Sustainability Committee.

c) COMMITTEE REPORTS AND CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS FOR SECOND READING

- 1) R2026-0198: A Resolution amending the 2026/2027 Biennial Operating Budget for 2026 by providing additional fiscal appropriations from the General Fund and Health and Human Services Levies, to meet the budgetary needs of various County departments; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Sponsor: County Executive Ronayne/Fiscal Officer/Office of Budget and Management

Committee Assignment and Chair: Finance & Budgeting – Turner

Clerk Richardson read Resolution No. R2026-0198 into the record. This item will move to the August 4, 2026 Council meeting agenda for consideration for third reading adoption.

- 2) R2026-0181: A Resolution providing for the submission to the electors of the County of Cuyahoga an amendment to Article XVI of the County Charter to provide the County Executive the power to suspend, discipline, or remove the Sheriff; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Sponsor: County Executive Ronayne

Committee Assignment and Chair: Committee of the Whole – Miller

No legislative action was taken on this item.

- 3) R2026-0182: A Resolution providing for the submission to the electors of the County of Cuyahoga an amendment to Sections 4.01 and 5.06 of the County Charter to delineate the powers and duties of the Prosecuting Attorney and Director of Law; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.
[Pending referral from committee]

Sponsor: County Executive Ronayne

Committee Assignment and Chair: Committee of the Whole – Miller

No legislative action was taken on this item.

- 4) R2026-0202 A Resolution authorizing an economic development place-based/mixed-use loan in the amount not-to-exceed \$2,000,000.00 to Erievue Tower Hotel LLC, or their designee, to facilitate the re-development of the Erievue Tower and Galleria located at 1301 East 9th Street, in the City of Cleveland; authorizing the County Executive and/or the Director of Development to execute all documents consistent with said loan and this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Sponsor: County Executive Ronayne/Department of Development

Committee Assignment and Chair: Economic Development & Planning Committee
– Kelly

Clerk Richardson read Resolution No. R2026-0202 into the record. This item will move to the August 4, 2026 Council meeting agenda for consideration for third reading adoption.

- 5) R2026-0207 A Resolution determining to proceed with submitting to the electors of Cuyahoga County the question of a renewal with an increase levy for the purpose of supplementing general fund appropriations for health and human or social services in accordance with Sections 5705.191 and 5705.25 of the Ohio Revised Code; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Sponsors: County Executive Ronayne and Councilmembers Miller, Conwell, Turner and Sweeney

Committee Assignment and Chair: Committee of the Whole – Miller

Clerk Richardson read Resolution No. R2026-0207 into the record. This item will move to the August 4, 2026 Council meeting agenda for consideration for third reading adoption.

- d) COMMITTEE REPORTS AND CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS FOR SECOND READING ADOPTION UNDER SUSPENSION OF RULES

A motion was made by Mr. Gallagher, seconded by Ms. Simon and approved by unanimous vote to suspend Rule 9D and to place on final passage Resolution Nos. R2026-0199.

- 1) R2026-0199: A Resolution making an award on RQ16331 to Professional Service Industries, Inc in the amount not-to-exceed \$2,395,610.00 to provide testing and inspection services for the construction of the new Cuyahoga County Corrections Services Campus, effective upon signatures of all parties through project completion; authorizing the County Executive to execute Contract No. 6295 and all other documents consistent with said award and this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Sponsor: County Executive Ronayne/Department of Public Works

Committee Assignment and Chair: Public Safety & Justice Affairs – Gallagher

On a motion by Mr. Gallagher with a second by Ms. Turner, Resolution No. R2026-0199 was considered and adopted by unanimous vote.

Council President Miller announced that at the request of the Administration, the next two items will be for second reading only and will be scheduled at a future meeting for third reading adoption.

- 2) R2026-0200: A Resolution fixing the 2027 water, storm and sanitary sewer maintenance and sewerage treatment rates for County Sewer District Nos. 1, 1A, 2, 3, 5, 8, 9, 13, 14, 18, 20, 21, 22, 24 and 25, in accordance with Ohio Revised Code

Section 6117.02; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Sponsors: County Executive Ronayne/Department of Public Works and Councilmember Turner

Committee Assignment and Chair: Public Works, Procurement & Contracting – Jones

Clerk Richardson read Resolution No. R2026-0200 into the record. This item will move to a future Council meeting for consideration for third reading adoption.

- 3) R2026-0201: A Resolution approving and confirming the 2027 water, storm and sanitary sewer maintenance and sewerage treatment assessments for County Sewer District Nos. 1, 1A, 2, 3, 5, 8, 9, 13, 14, 18, 20, 21, 22, 24 and 25, in accordance with Ohio Revised Code Section 6117.02; ; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Sponsors: County Executive Ronayne/Department of Public Works and Councilmember Turner

Committee Assignment and Chair: Public Works, Procurement & Contracting – Jones

Clerk Richardson read Resolution No. R2026-0201 into the record. This item will move to a future Council meeting for consideration for third reading adoption.

- 4) R2026-0203: A Resolution making awards to various municipalities in the total amount not-to-exceed \$1,457,826.00 for various projects or programs in connection with the FY2026 Special Competitive Municipal Community Development Block Grant Program for the period 7/1/2026 – 6/30/2027; authorizing the County Executive to execute the agreements and all other documents consistent with said awards and this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective:
- a) City of Bedford Heights in the amount not-to-exceed \$200,000.00 for Aurora Road (SR-43) Improvement Project.
 - b) City of Berea in the amount not-to-exceed \$200,000.00 for Thacker Street Road Reconstruction Project.
 - c) City of Brooklyn in the amount not-to-exceed \$167,000.00 for Senior Center Accessibility & Safety Improvement Project.
 - d) City of Maple Heights in the amount not-to-exceed \$197,707.00 for Raymond Street Resurfacing Project.

- e) City of Parma Heights in the amount not-to-exceed \$200,000.00 for Beverly Drive Street Rehabilitation & Resurfacing Project.
- f) City of Richmond Heights in the amount not-to-exceed \$167,000.00 for Senior Center Safe Access Project.
- g) City of Shaker Heights in the amount not-to-exceed \$200,000.00 for Hampstead Avenue Street Improvement Project.
- h) City of Warrensville Heights in the amount not-to-exceed \$126,119.00 for Senior Center Upgrades & Accessibility Project.

Sponsors: County Executive Ronayne/Department of Housing and Community Development and Councilmembers Turner, Gallagher, Houser and Jones

Committee Assignment and Chair: Community Development & Housing – Houser

On a motion by Ms. Conwell with a second by Ms. Turner, Resolution No. R2026-0203 was considered and adopted by unanimous vote. Councilmember Turner requested to have her name added as a co-sponsor to the legislation.

- 5) R2026-0204: A Resolution authorizing an amendment to Agreement No. 1175 (fka Contract No. AG1800067) with The MetroHealth System for the MetroHealth Select Network health benefit plan for County employees and their eligible dependents for the period 1/1/2016 – 6/30/2026 to extend the time period to 6/30/2027, to update the terms in Exhibit B-1 and Exhibit C, and for additional funds in the amount not-to-exceed \$1,800,000.00, effective 1/1/2026; 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.

Sponsors: County Executive Ronayne/Department of Human Resources and Councilmember Turner

Committee Assignment and Vice Chair: Human Resources, Appointments & Equity – Gallagher

On a motion by Mr. Gallagher with a second by Ms. Turner, Resolution No. R2026-0204 was considered and adopted by unanimous vote.

- 6) R2026-0206: A Resolution declaring the necessity of submitting to the electors of Cuyahoga County the question of a renewal of an existing 4.70-mill levy with an increase of 2.5 mills for the purpose of supplementing general fund appropriations for health and human or social services for ten years in accordance with Sections

5705.191, 5705.25 and 5705.03 of the Ohio Revised Code; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Sponsor: County Executive Ronayne and Councilmembers Miller, Conwell, Turner and Sweeney

Committee Assignment and Chair: Committee of the Whole – Miller

On a motion by Mr. Miller with a second by Ms. Turner, Resolution No. R2026-0206 was considered and adopted by unanimous vote.

e) CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS FOR THIRD READING ADOPTION

- 1) R2026-0178: A Resolution adopting the 2026 Update to the Economic Development Plan in accordance with Section 7.05 of the Cuyahoga County Charter and Section 801.01 of the Cuyahoga County Code, and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Sponsor: County Executive Ronayne/Department of Development

Committee Assignment and Chair: Economic Development & Planning Committee – Kelly

Council President Miller introduced a proposed substitute to Resolution No. R2026-0178. Mr. Paul Herdeg, Director of Development, addressed Council regarding the item.

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

On a motion by Mr. Kelly with a second by Ms. Turner, Resolution No. R2026-0178 was considered and adopted by unanimous vote as substituted. Councilmember Turner requested to have her name added as a co-sponsor to the legislation.

- 2) R2026-0192: A Resolution authorizing an Incentive Agreement with Hikma Pharmaceuticals USA Inc. in the amount not-to-exceed \$2,500,000.00 in support of expanding its operations, including remodeling, and build out of existing facilities located at 200 Northfield Road, in Bedford Ohio, effective upon signatures of all parties for a period of 8 years; authorizing the County Executive to execute the Incentive Agreement No. 6271 and all other documents consistent with said agreement and this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Sponsors: County Executive Ronayne/Department of Development and Councilmembers Kelly, Turner, Gallagher, Miller, Simon and Schleper

Committee Assignment and Chair: Economic Development & Planning Committee – Kelly

On a motion by Mr. Kelly with a second by Ms. Turner, Resolution No. R2026-0192 was considered and adopted by unanimous vote. Council President Miller requested to have his name added as a co-sponsor to the legislation.

f) COMMITTEE REPORT AND CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDINANCE FOR SECOND READING

- 1) O2026-0005: An Ordinance accepting parking rates for all County-owned and leased garages and surface lots, effective September 1, 2026; authorizing the Director of Public Works to set rates for County-owned or leased parking facilities effective September 1, 2026 and to revise existing rates no more frequently than once every two years upon approval of the Administrative Rules Board; repealing R2016-0008 adopted January 26, 2016:

- i. Huntington Park Garage:
 - a. Daily Rate Increments: \$2.00 per every 15 minutes/Daily Maximum: \$12.00
 - b. Non-County Monthly Rate: \$220.00
 - c. County Employee Monthly Rate: \$125.00
 - d. Special Event Rate: As determined by the Director of the Department of Public Works
- ii. Justice Center Complex Garage:
 - a. Daily Rate Increments: \$2.00 per every 15 minutes/Daily Maximum: \$12.00 (Handicapped Only)
 - b. County Employee Monthly Rate: \$125.00
- iii. Courthouse Square (Surface Lot)
 - a. Daily Rate Increments: \$2.00 per every 15 minutes/Daily Maximum: \$12.00
 - b. Non-County Monthly Rate: \$220.00
 - c. County Employee Monthly Rate: \$105.00
 - d. Special Event Rate: As determined by the Director of the Department of Public Works
- iv. Summit (Surface Lot):
 - a. County Employee Monthly Rate: \$105.00
 - b. Special Event Rate: As determined by the Director of the Department of Public Works
- v. East 40th Street (Surface Lots)
 - a. County Employee Monthly Rate: \$40.00
- vi. Halle Building Garage:
 - a. County Employee Monthly Rate: \$60.00
- vii. Virgil E. Brown (Surface Lot)
 - a. Daily Rate Increments: \$2.00 per every 15 minutes/Daily Maximum: \$5.00

- b. County Employee Monthly Rate: \$90.00
 - viii. 1801/1803 Superior Avenue (Surface Lot and Garage)
 - a. Daily Rate Increments: \$2.00 per every 15 minutes/Daily
Maximum: \$5.00
 - b. County Employee Monthly Rate: \$90.00
 - ix. Samuel Gerber Building (Garage)
 - a. County Employee Monthly Rate:
 - i. Effective 9/1/26: \$50.00;
 - ii. Effective 9/1/27: \$75.00;
 - iii. Effective 9/1/28: \$100.00.
 - x. Juvenile Justice Center Garage
 - a. County Employee Monthly Rate: \$85.00
 - xi. Juvenile Justice Center (Surface Lots):
 - a. Daily Flat Rate: \$2.00
 - b. County Employee Monthly Rate: \$40.00
- Sponsor: County Executive Ronayne/Department of Public Works

Committee Assignment and Chair: Committee of the Whole – Miller

No legislative action was taken on this item.

g) **CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDINANCE FOR THIRD READING ADOPTION**

- 1) O2026-0006: An Ordinance enacting Section 205.11 of Title 2 (County Organization) of the Cuyahoga County Code to establish the Cuyahoga County Administrative Appeals Board as an independent body to hear and decide appeals from administrative enforcement actions of County departments and agencies.

Sponsor: County Executive Ronayne/Department of Consumer Affairs

Committee Assignment and Chair: Education, Environment & Sustainability – Simon

Council President Miller introduced a proposed substitute to Ordinance No. O2026-0006.

Mr. Trevor McAleer, Council staff, addressed Council regarding Ordinance No. O2026-0006.

A motion was then made by Ms. Simon, and seconded by Ms. Turner to accept the proposed substitute. Mr. Miller opposed the proposed substitute. Discussion ensued. Councilmember Turner asked if there was an urgency to approve the item, as more dialogue is needed. Discussion ensued.

Ms. Sheryl Harris, Director of the Department of Consumer Affairs, addressed Council regarding the item. At the suggestion of Council President Miller, Ms. Simon and Ms. Turner withdrew their motions.

Without objection, Ordinance No. O2026-0006 was held in Council until the August 4 Council meeting.

11. MISCELLANEOUS COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Kelly reported that Economic Development & Planning Committee will not meet next week.

Ms. Turner reported that the Finance & Budgeting Committee will meet Monday, July 27 at 1:00 p.m.

Mr. Gallagher reported that the Public Safety & Justice Affairs Committee will meet on Tuesday July 28 at 1:00 p.m.

Mr. Schleper reported that the Council Operations, Information Technology & Public Transportation Committee will meet on Tuesday July 28 at 3:00 p.m.

Ms. Conwell reported that the Health, Human Services & Aging Committee will meet on Wednesday, July 29 at 1:00 p.m.

Mr. Jones reported that the Public Works, Procurement & Contracting Committee will meet on Wednesday, July 29 at 10:00 a.m.

Mr. Houser reported that the Community Development & Housing Committee will not meet next week.

Ms. Simon reported that the Education, Environment & Sustainability Committee will meet on Wednesday, July 29 at 3:00 p.m.

Mr. Miller reported that the Committee of the Whole will meet on August 4 at a time to be determined.

12. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Councilmember Turner requested to have her name added as a sponsor to various pieces of legislation. Ms. Turner also shared that International Exchange fellow Ann Figuerado from Sri Lanka, sent pictures of her baby girl born on May 3rd.

Council President Miller commended Mr. Schleper and Ms. Conwell for their excellent work on chairing significant portions of the Committee of the Whole meeting.

Mr. Miller stated that August 4 is the last meeting before Council recesses. Mr. Miller encouraged Committee Chairs to recommend legislation for passage on second reading suspension, unless there is a strong reason not to do so.

13. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Council President Miller adjourned the meeting at 7:34 p.m., without objection.