

FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Briefing Session Minutes  
Thursday, July 13, 2023

President O'Grady  
Commissioner Crawley

The purpose of the meeting was to review resolutions submitted for the July 18, 2023, General Session, and to discuss other matters pertaining to the programs of the agencies.

The meeting was convened in the Commissioners Briefing Room, while also hosting guests via Zoom conference call, by dialing (929) 436-2866; Meeting ID: 978 8790 2896; Passcode: 628826, or by visiting: <https://franklincountyohio.zoom.us/j/97887902896>

Commissioner Crawley convened the meeting at 9:29 A.M.

CORONER

Patrick McLean, Chief of Staff, Coroner's Office, offered a resolution authorizing the Franklin County Administrator to sign on behalf of the Coroner an Agreement with Wayne State University – Eugene Applebaum College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences Affiliation Agreement for Clinical Education (Coroner).

Mr. McLean reviewed information found in documents submitted with the proposed resolution.

ENGINEER

William "Fritz" Crosier, Chief Deputy of Engineering, Engineer's Office, offered a resolution approving a contract modification with Shelly & Sands, Inc. for the Reynoldsburg-New Albany Road & Havens Road Roundabout Project (Engineer).

Mr. Crosier reviewed information found in documents submitted with the proposed resolution.

William "Fritz" Crosier offered a resolution for CTL Engineering, Inc., consulting engineers, appointed to assist the Franklin County Engineer by providing construction inspection and administration services for the Hayden Run Road 6.74 over Scioto River bridge project, Franklin County, Ohio (\$210,406.00) (Engineer).

Mr. Crosier reviewed information found in documents submitted with the proposed resolution.

William “Fritz” Crosier offered a resolution for MTJ Engineering, LLC, consulting engineers, appointed to assist the Franklin County Engineer by providing on-call engineering services, Franklin County, Ohio (\$100,000.00) (Engineer).

Mr. Crosier reviewed information found in documents submitted with the proposed resolution.

William “Fritz” Crosier offered a resolution for The Mannik & Smith Group, Inc., consulting engineers, appointed to assist the Franklin County Engineer by providing construction inspection services for the 2023 General Bridge Maintenance project, Franklin County, Ohio (\$92,275.00) (Engineer).

Mr. Crosier reviewed information found in documents submitted with the proposed resolution.

William “Fritz” Crosier offered a resolution for preliminary allocation of County Motor Vehicle License Fee (\$5) Funds for the Village of Minerva Park (\$160,000.00) (Engineer).

Mr. Crosier reviewed information found in documents submitted with the proposed resolution.

William “Fritz” Crosier offered a resolution for establishing, altering, and widening of Waggoner Road, County Road No. 106, from East Main Street, US 40, to East Broad Street, SR16, Truro Township and Jefferson Township, Franklin County, Ohio, declared necessary (Engineer).

Mr. Crosier reviewed information found in documents submitted with the proposed resolution.

#### OFFICE ON AGING

Chanda Wingo, Director, Office on Aging, offered a resolution authorizing a non-general fund supplemental appropriation for two new Training Officer positions (Office on Aging).

Ms. Wingo reviewed information found in documents submitted with the proposed resolution.

## OFFICE OF DIVERSITY EQUITY & INCLUSION

Tameca Bumper, Economic Equity Administrator, Office of Diversity Equity and Inclusion, offered a resolution authorizing a grant agreement with Ohio Business Development Center for support of the Construction Academy (\$15,000.00) (Office of Diversity Equity & Inclusion).

Ms. Bumper reviewed information found in documents submitted with the proposed resolution.

Tameca Bumper offered a resolution authorizing an agreement with the US Together, Inc to implement Central Ohio's Welcoming Plan for services and support for immigrants and refugees (\$231,600.00) (Office of Diversity Equity & Inclusion).

Ms. Bumper reviewed information found in documents submitted with the proposed resolution.

## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING

James Schimmer, Director, Economic Development and Planning, offered a resolution for review of petition to annex 7.80 +/- acres from Norwich Township to the City of Columbus Case #ANX-25-23 (Economic Development and Planning).

Mr. Schimmer reviewed information found in documents submitted with the proposed resolution.

James Schimmer offered a resolution for review of petition to annex 6.1 +/- acres from Norwich Township to the City of Columbus Case #ANX-26-23 (Economic Development and Planning).

Mr. Schimmer reviewed information found in documents submitted with the proposed resolution.

## JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES

Carmen Barnes, Deputy Director, Community Contracts and Programs, Job and Family Services, offered a resolution approving a subaward agreement with The Ohio State University for the LiFEsports summer youth enrichment program (\$40,000.00) (Job and Family Services).

Ms. Barnes reviewed information found in documents submitted with the proposed resolution.

## JUSTICE POLICY AND PROGRAMS

Caitlin Looney, Grants Coordinator, Justice Policy and Programs, offered a resolution authorizing the County Administrator to approve the following contract modifications: 1) extend project period for the County's 2020 Office on Violence Against Women Improving Criminal Justice Response (ICJR) grant award through September 30, 2024; 2) use approved grant funds to increase ICJR subrecipient award contracts issued to the Columbus City Attorney, the Columbus Division of Police, Franklin County Municipal Court and Nationwide Children's Hospital Research Institute; 3) approve extending aforementioned ICJR contracts through July 31st, 2024 (Justice Policy and Programs).

Ms. Looney reviewed information found in documents submitted with the proposed resolution.

## SANITARY ENGINEERS

Ryan Stowe, Assistant Director, Sanitary Engineers, offered a resolution authorizing a contract agreement with Kirk Bros. Co., Inc. for the Harrisburg Pump Station Improvements Project (\$632,500.00) (Sanitary Engineers).

Mr. Stowe reviewed information found in documents submitted with the proposed resolution.

Ryan Stowe offered a resolution authorizing a Water Pollution Control Loan Fund Application to the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency and the Ohio Water Development Authority for the Construction Phase of the Mon-E-Bak, Brown Road East, and Eureka Park Sanitary Sewer Extension Project, Connection Phase, Round 3 (Sanitary Engineers).

Mr. Stowe reviewed information found in documents submitted with the proposed resolution.

Ryan Stowe offered a resolution authorizing a Water Pollution Control Loan Fund Application to the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency and the Ohio Water Development Authority for the construction phase of the North Hague Avenue Sanitary Sewer Collections System construction project (Sanitary Engineers).

Mr. Stowe reviewed information found in documents submitted with the proposed resolution.

Ryan Stowe offered a resolution authorizing a Water Pollution Control Loan Fund Application to the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency and the Ohio Water Development Authority for the construction phase of the Ferris Road Sanitary Sewer Collections System construction project (Sanitary Engineers).

Mr. Stowe reviewed information found in documents submitted with the proposed resolution.

## PURCHASING

Megan Perry-Balonier, Director, Purchasing, and Tameca Bumper, Economic Equity Administrator, Office of Diversity Equity and Inclusion, offered a resolution approving purchases for various Franklin County agencies (\$517,328.62) (Purchasing).

Ms. Perry-Balonier and Ms. Bumper reviewed information found in documents submitted with the proposed resolution.

## BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Kenneth N. Wilson, County Administrator, Board of Commissioners, offered a resolution authorizing a COVID-19 Recovery Grant Agreement with the Columbus-Franklin County Finance Authority for the North Market Mixed Use Project and the addition of affordable housing units (\$39,900,000.00) (Board of Commissioners).

Mr. Wilson reviewed information found in documents submitted with the proposed resolution.

Commissioner Crawley: I am excited about this project. I think, especially for the County, being invested to the extent that we are and continue to show our commitment to supporting everyone here in Franklin County. I really appreciate our team; you all pushed hard for housing, and you knew where we needed to be to make sure it made sense for the community at the end of the day. We love to see growth and opportunity, but it has to make sense for our residents. For the type of project that this is, the people who work there should be able to live there, and I think this project gets us there. Workforce development is the flagship thing we do here, so to have that built into a project like this should be an example to other developers and people who want to invest here. They should see this type of project and aspire to do the same thing. I am also really happy about this aspirational goal for DEI. We always tend to exceed our aspirational goals, and I would like to think we will do the same with this project. I will reserve additional comments for Tuesday, but I am excited about what this does for Franklin County.

Commissioner O'Grady: I am glad we were able to get this done. We have been talking about it for a long time. Whenever we do projects like this, the return on investment is what is important. There are so many different components to this thing, and there are many reasons it is a great idea, but the ROI allows us to do everything we do. This is one of those projects where the ROI is very big, and it allows us to fund the types of projects we like to do in our area.

Mr. Wilson: I am excited about the intentionality that is built into this. It is targeting Franklin County residents, particularly those who are underemployed. They have the ability to become a part of the progress of the county.

Commissioner O'Grady: This is also a showpiece type of project that really helps bring focus and attention to Central Ohio. It is another thing that sets Columbus and Central Ohio apart.

Mr. Wilson: I remember walking through the North Market with you over three years ago and talking about what needed to be done. One of the competitive advantages that Franklin County has is our ability to put together public-private partnerships.

Commissioner Crawley: I will have some questions on Tuesday, just for the public's knowledge. I especially want to talk about the parking garage and some other aspects of the project.

Jeanine Hummer, First Assistant Prosecuting Attorney and Chief Counsel, Prosecuting Attorney's Office: If you have additional questions about the legal documents contained in this resolution, we would be happy to address those. I would also like to share that County Administrator Wilson really pushed us on this. He does not say enough about his own leadership in this project, so I wanted to bring that to light.

Commissioner Crawley: He did push, and Deputy County Administrator Long did, as well. And that is how it should be. I will speak about that on Tuesday. People should want to do business here, and we want to be a partner and be collaborative. At the end of the day, my colleagues and I have to answer to the residents of Franklin County, so our projects have to make sense.

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*The Clerk noted that there will be three (3) journalizations expected at General Session on Tuesday, July 18, 2023.*

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There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 10:00 A.M.

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These minutes are a general summary of the Commissioners' Briefing Session for Thursday, July 13, 2023.



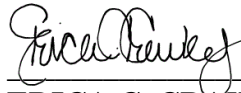
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**JOHN O'GRADY, PRESIDENT**



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