

FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Briefing Session Minutes
Thursday, February 1, 2024

Commissioner O’Grady
Commissioner Crawley

The purpose of the meeting was to review resolutions submitted for the February 6, 2024, 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 O’Grady convened the meeting at 9:15 A.M.

DRAINAGE ENGINEER

William “Fritz” Crosier, Chief Deputy of Engineering, Engineer’s Office, offered a resolution authorizing a transfer of funds for the Stormwater Management Program (Drainage Engineer).

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

William “Fritz” Crosier offered a resolution for ADR & Associates, LTD., consulting engineers, appointed to assist the Franklin County Engineer by providing general drainage engineering services (\$100,000.00) (Drainage Engineer).

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

ENGINEER

William “Fritz” Crosier, Chief Deputy of Engineering, Engineer’s Office, offered a resolution for final hearing for establishing, altering, and widening of Renner Road, County Road No. 27, from Alton & Darby Creek Road, County Road 272, to Spindler Road, County Road No. 153, Norwich Township, Franklin County, Ohio. (Engineer).

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

William “Fritz” Crosier offered a resolution for final hearing for establishing, altering, and widening of Winchester Pike, County Road No. 376, at Watkins Road, Township Road No. 126, and Askins Road, Madison Township, Franklin County, Ohio (Engineer).

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

William “Fritz” Crosier offered a resolution for the 2024 Resurfacing Program for Franklin County, Ohio, declared necessary and hearing fixed for Tuesday, February 27, 2024, at 9:00 A.M. (Engineer).

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

William “Fritz” Crosier offered a resolution for final encumbrance of County Motor Vehicle License Fee (\$5) Funds to the City of Worthington. (Engineer).

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

William “Fritz” Crosier offered a resolution requesting the Ohio Department of Transportation to reduce the speed limit on Harlem Road, County Road No. 111, Plain Township, Franklin County, Ohio (Engineer).

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

CORONER

Amanda Alvarez Wright, Director of Operations, Coroner’s Office, offered a resolution authorizing acceptance of a grant of funds from the Ohio Suicide Prevention Foundation for the Suicide Investigator position within the Franklin County Coroner’s Office and authorizing the County Administrator to sign the agreement (\$200,000.00) (Coroner).

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

Amanda Alvarez Wright offered a resolution for an agreement with OhioHealth to provide tuberculin tests for employees (\$1,680.00) (Coroner).

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

ANIMAL CONTROL

Lionel Hamilton II, Fiscal Officer, Animal Control, offered a resolution authorizing a five-year contract between the Franklin County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of the Franklin County Department of Animal Control and the City of Columbus, Department of Public Health for rabies control and testing services (\$10,440.00) (Animal Control).

Mr. Hamilton 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 Rev1 Ventures to provide grants, training, and assistance to women and diverse entrepreneurs (\$230,000.00) (Office of Diversity Equity & Inclusion).

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

Tameca Bumper offered a resolution authorizing an Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Agreement with the Greater Columbus Sports Commission to support economic equity in Columbus and Franklin County to encourage economic development and tourism through the attraction, retention, and promotion of sporting events on behalf of Franklin County Board of Commissioners (\$130,000.00) (Office of Diversity Equity & Inclusion).

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

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING

Emanuel Torres, Assistant Director, Economic Development and Planning, offered a resolution for review of petition to annex 9.45 +/- acres from Jackson Township to the City of Columbus Case #ANX-02-24 (Economic Development and Planning).

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

Emanuel Torres offered a resolution for review of petition to annex 0.897 +/- acres from Jackson Township to the City of Grove City Case #ANX-03-24 (Economic Development and Planning).

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

Emanuel Torres offered a resolution for review of petition to annex 1.075 +/- acres from Plain Township to the City of Columbus Case #ANX-04-24 (Economic Development and Planning).

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

FLEET MANAGEMENT

Charlotte Ashcraft, Director, Fleet Management, offered a resolution authorizing a contract with Express Wash Concepts LLC. for Fleet Car Wash Services (\$150,000.00) (Fleet Management).

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

Commissioner O'Grady asked if Fleet used to wash its own vehicles. Ms. Ashcraft explained that the car wash at Fleet was no longer functional and the space available at Fleet was no longer sufficient for the type of car wash needed. Commissioner O'Grady asked what the space will be used for. Ms. Ashcraft stated that the space is currently used for those individuals who want to hand-wash their vehicles.

JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES

Bart Logan, Deputy Director, Communications, Job and Family Services, offered a resolution approving a subaward amendment with the Columbus Urban League for the Franklin County Ready 2 Earn year-round program (an increase of \$800,000.00) (\$3,291,208.28) (Job and Family Services).

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

Joy Bivens, Deputy County Administrator, asked for a point of clarification. She stated that this program was made year-round to address the Commissioners' goal to reduce gun violence and asked Mr. Logan for confirmation. Mr. Logan confirmed and noted that this program is targeted at teenagers and young adults. Ms. Bivens asked if the program was increasing the number of youth served to 100. Mr. Logan explained that this program had been serving 100 youths all along, but this fund increase was to continue to serve them for the rest of the contract period. Ms. Bivens asked for the ZIP codes of the youth being served, and Mr. Logan agreed to provide those.

Bart Logan offered a resolution approving a contract with the Mid-Ohio Foodbank for the purchase and distribution of food to Franklin County soup kitchens, food pantries, emergency shelters, and community distribution events (\$100,000.00) (Job and Family Services).

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

Bart Logan offered a resolution approving a contract with the United Way of Central Ohio, Inc. for tax preparation services (\$75,000.00) (Job and Family Services).

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

Joy Bivens, Deputy County Administrator, asked Mr. Logan to have United Way send a status report since this is a continuation grant, and Mr. Logan agreed.

Bart Logan offered a resolution approving a subaward agreement with Liberians in Columbus, Inc. for a Community Wellness Navigator program (\$188,472.00) (Job and Family Services).

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

SANITARY ENGINEERS

Ryan Stowe, Assistant Director, Sanitary Engineers, offered a resolution authorizing a third modification to the general engineering services contract with Arcadis U.S., Inc. (an increase of \$200,000.00) (\$618,900.00) (Sanitary Engineers).

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

Ryan Stowe offered a resolution authorizing a final contract modification with Elite Excavating Company of Ohio, Inc. to close out the Young Estates Pump Station Replacement Project for a decrease of \$39,623.74 (\$630,142.26) (Sanitary Engineers).

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

Ryan Stowe offered a resolution authorizing a final contract modification with Darby Creek Excavating, Inc. to close out the Timberlake Water System Improvements Project for a decrease of \$17,977.13 (\$123,324.87) (Sanitary Engineers).

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

PUBLIC FACILITIES MANAGEMENT

Darla Reardon, Director, Public Facilities Management, offered a resolution authorizing a guaranteed maximum price (GMP) Amendment #5 to modify the original contract agreement with Elford, Inc. to provide construction manager at risk services, including construction services, associated with the construction of the Franklin County Domestic Relations and Juvenile Court in the amount of the contract not to exceed \$15,047,704.00 (\$36,675,949.53) (Public Facilities Management).

Ms. Reardon 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 (\$21,665,228.25) (Purchasing).

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

Kris J. Long, Deputy County Administrator, requested to add one Purchase Order for Domestic Relations and Juvenile Court in the amount of \$27,488.00 to this resolution.

Megan Perry-Balonier offered a resolution approving purchases for various Franklin County agencies (\$182,800.00) (Purchasing).

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

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Lauren M. Graessle, Assistant Director of Community Appointments, Board of Commissioners, offered a resolution to designate the Official Representative and Alternate for the purpose of voting at the Annual Meeting of the County Commissioners Association of Ohio in 2024 (Board of Commissioners).

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

Lauren M. Graessle offered a resolution appointing LaGrieta Acheampong as a Member-at-Large to the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (Board of Commissioners).

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

Kris J. Long, Deputy County Administrator, Board of Commissioners, offered a resolution of the Franklin County Board of Commissioners to convene into Executive Session for the purpose of considering personnel matters (Board of Commissioners).

Ms. Long noted that this proposed resolution will be for consideration during General Session on Tuesday, February 6, 2024.

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The Clerk noted that there will be no journalizations expected at General Session on Tuesday, February 6, 2024.

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RESOLUTIONS TO BE PASSED AT BRIEFING SESSION

Resolution No. 0091-24, authorizing contract modifications with Providers for Consolidated County Transportation Services (Lift, Non-Lift and Escort) (\$25,032,250.00) (Purchasing), presented by Megan Perry-Balonier, Director, Purchasing.

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

Commissioner O’Grady moved to approve Resolution 0091-24, seconded by Commissioner Crawley. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0090-24, appointing Bradley W. Foster, P.E., P.S., as Acting Engineer of Franklin County (Board of Commissioners), presented by Kris J. Long, Deputy County Administrator, Board of Commissioners.

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

Commissioner O’Grady moved to approve Resolution 0090-24, seconded by Commissioner Crawley. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Bradley W. Foster, P.E., P.S., was sworn in as Acting Engineer of Franklin County by Commissioner O’Grady. Mr. Foster offered brief remarks. Commissioner O’Grady and Commissioner Crawley offered comments of congratulations.

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There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:46 A.M.

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These minutes are a general summary of the Commissioners' Briefing Session for Thursday, February 1, 2024.



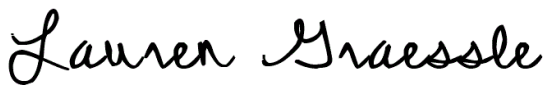
KEVIN L. BOYCE, PRESIDENT



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**ERICA C. CRAWLEY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO**

Submitted by:



Lauren M. Graessle

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