

FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Briefing Session Minutes
Thursday, November 21, 2024

President Boyce
Commissioner O'Grady

The purpose of the meeting was to review resolutions submitted for the November 26, 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 Boyce convened the meeting at 9:05 A.M.

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COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

Brittany Stricklen-Hillyard, Community Partnerships Coordinator, Community Partnerships, offered a resolution authorizing a Community Partnership Grant with The Center of Science and Industry to provide Learning Lunchboxes to Franklin County youth (\$670,000.00) (Community Partnerships).

Ms. Stricklen-Hillyard reviewed information found in documents submitted with the proposed resolution.

CORONER

Patrick McLean, Chief of Staff, Coroner's Office, offered a resolution authorizing an agreement with FlowPartner LLC, a communications and personnel consulting firm, for internal, interpersonal communications, and team building services for the Franklin County Forensic Science Center, Office of the Coroner (\$48,000.00) (Coroner).

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

Patrick McLean offered a resolution authorizing the acceptance of a subgrant award contract from Franklin County Public Health's Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Overdose Data to Action (OD2A) Grant, the related data use agreement in furtherance of the subgrant award contract, and to authorize the County Administrator to sign on behalf of the Franklin County Coroner the subgrant award contract and data use agreement (\$100,000.00) (Coroner).

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

ENGINEER

William "Fritz" Crosier, P.E., Chief Deputy of Engineering, Engineer's Office, offered a resolution for CHA Consulting, Inc., consulting engineers appointed to assist the Franklin County Engineer in performing preliminary engineering for the Wright Road 1.93 over Pickering Creek Improvement project, Franklin County, Ohio (\$243,982.00) (Engineer).

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

William "Fritz" Crosier offered a resolution for Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc., consulting engineers appointed to assist the Franklin County Engineer in performing preliminary engineering for the Rohr Road, County Road No. 235, at Lockbourne Road, County Road No. 13 Improvement project, Hamilton Township, Franklin County, Ohio (\$186,114.00) (Engineer).

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

William "Fritz" Crosier offered a resolution approving a contract modification with Stantec Consulting Services, Inc. for the Alum Creek Drive Widening Improvement project, an increase of \$2,841,735.00, for a revised contract amount of \$4,474,689.00 (\$4,474,689.00) (Engineer).

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

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William "Fritz" Crosier offered a resolution for Report (1st) of the Franklin County Engineer, establishing sums of compensation for a portion of the owners of property abutting Walnut Street, County Road No. 19, at New Albany-Condit Road, SR605, Plain Township, Franklin County, Ohio (\$26,448.00) (Engineer).

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

William “Fritz” Crosier offered a resolution for Report (1st) of the Franklin County Engineer, establishing sums of compensation for a portion of the owners of property abutting Harrisburg-Georgesville Road 2.83 over Big Darby Creek (PLE-CR3-2.83), Pleasant Township, Franklin County, Ohio (\$1,000.00) (Engineer).

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

William “Fritz” Crosier offered a resolution for Report (3rd) of the Franklin County Engineer, establishing sums of compensation for a portion of the owners of property abutting Briggs Road, Township Road No. 1754, and Josephine Avenue, Township Road No. 1752, Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio (\$900.00) (Engineer).

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

William “Fritz” Crosier, P.E., offered a resolution for Estates at Albany Acres accepted for public maintenance and shall become part of the Plain Township Road System, Franklin County, Ohio (Engineer).

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

William “Fritz” Crosier offered a resolution awarding contract and approving contract bond to J & J Schlaegel, Inc., for Renner Road Improvement Project (Alton & Darby Creek Road to Spindler Road) (\$4,820,239.45) (Engineer).

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

SHERIFF

Albert J. Smith III, Assistant Director of Finance, Sheriff’s Office, offered a resolution authorizing a transfer of appropriations for the return of prisoners (Sheriff).

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

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

Brittany Stricklen-Hillyard, Community Partnerships Coordinator, Community Partnerships, offered a resolution authorizing a one-year agreement with Columbus Public Health to provide treatment and services to individuals with tuberculosis and operate a tuberculosis clinic for residents of Franklin County (\$2,850,000.00) (Community Partnerships).

Ms. Stricklen-Hillyard reviewed information found in documents submitted with the proposed resolution.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING

Walter Dillard, Assistant Director, Economic Development and Planning, offered a resolution for the First Amendment to the COVID-19 Recovery Grant for Mid-Ohio Food Collective to develop the Mid-Ohio Farm at NBC4 in support of the local food system and in alignment with the Columbus & Franklin County Local Food Action Plan (\$402,705.00) (Economic Development and Planning).

Mr. Dillard reviewed information found in documents submitted for the proposed public hearing.

Walter Dillard offered a resolution authorizing the County Administrator to Execute on Behalf of the Franklin County Board of Commissioners the Attached “Discharge of MORTGAGE” Instrument for Rachel E. Rubin at 1670 Park Row, Unit K, Columbus, Ohio 43235 (Economic Development and Planning).

Mr. Dillard reviewed information found in documents submitted for the proposed public hearing.

Walter Dillard offered a resolution requesting approval of a type 2 petition to annex 85.77+/- acres from Hamilton Township to the City of Obetz Case #ANX-19-24 (Economic Development and Planning).

Mr. Dillard reviewed information found in documents submitted for the proposed public hearing.

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ENGINEER

William “Fritz” Crosier, P.E., Chief Deputy, Engineering, Engineer’s Office, offered a resolution authorizing the Franklin County Engineer to enter into a contract modification with DLZ Ohio, Inc. for Part 2 detailed engineering design services for the Cooke Road from Karl Road to Cleveland Avenue Improvement project, in the amount of \$94,254.74, for a revised contract amount of \$482,316.82 (\$482,316.82) (Engineer).

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

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JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES

Bart Logan, Assistant Director – Communications, Job and Family Services, offered a resolution approving a COVID-19 Recovery Grant amendment with Future Ready Five for the Franklin County RISE Initiative supporting Franklin County families & childcare providers (\$29,500,000.00) (Job and Family Services).

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

Bart Logan offered a resolution approving a subaward agreement with City Year Columbus for youth educational support programming (\$89,600.00) (Job and Family Services).

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

Bart Logan offered a resolution approving a subaward agreement with the Godman Guild Association for workforce training services offered through the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Employment and Training program (\$900,000.00) (Job and Family Services).

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

Bart Logan offered a resolution approving contracts with the Deaf Services Center Inc. and HandsOn Central Ohio for Title XX Social Services (\$355,000.00) (Job and Family Services).

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

Bart Logan offered a resolution approving a subaward agreement with Image Character Etiquette, Inc. for youth mentoring programming and services (\$342,256.65) (Job and Family Services).

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

PUBLIC FACILITIES MANAGEMENT

Vivian Alexander, Chief Operating Officer, Public Facilities Management, offered a resolution authorizing a Supplemental Contract with Otis Elevator Company for elevator maintenance services (\$591,782.52) (Public Facilities Management).

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

PURCHASING

Megan Perry-Balonier, Director, Purchasing, and Talisha Williams, Fiscal Officer, Office of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, offered a resolution approving purchases for various Franklin County agencies (\$1,884,295.76) (Purchasing).

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

Megan Perry-Balonier and Talisha Williams offered a resolution approving purchases for various Franklin County agencies (\$775.00) (Purchasing).

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

Megan Perry-Balonier and Talisha Williams offered a resolution approving purchases for various Franklin County agencies (\$14,177.66) (Purchasing).

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

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Jeanine Hummer, First Assistant Prosecuting Attorney and Chief Counsel, Prosecuting Attorney's Office, offered a resolution authorizing the County Administrator to execute real property agreements and related documents that include land use agreements, right of entry, site access, estoppel certificates, easement approvals, land use restrictions, and similar agreements and instruments that have been approved to form by the Franklin County Prosecutor's Office (Board of Commissioners).

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

Jeanine Hummer offered a resolution authorizing the County Administrator to perform certain administrative functions (Board of Commissioners).

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

Jeanine Hummer offered a resolution authorizing the County Administrator to approve and execute certain modifications to existing and future agreements that do not involve an increase in cost and

are not substantially inconsistent with the resolution authorizing the original agreement (Board of Commissioners).

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

Jeanine Hummer and Zak Talarek, Director, Office of Management & Budget, offered a resolution authorizing policies and procedures for the approval of certain subscriptions including software licenses and leases of equipment (Board of Commissioners).

Ms. Hummer and Mr. Talarek reviewed information found in documents submitted with the proposed resolution.

Commissioner Boyce noted hesitation in granting authority to the County Administrator outside of emergency scenarios. Ms. Hummer provided additional clarification on expiration dates and offered that language providing an advanced notice could be added.

Kenneth N. Wilson, County Administrator, noted the reporting guidelines for any authority.

Jeanine Hummer offered a resolution authorizing the County Administrator to approve the settlement of certain legal claims in the amount of thirty-five thousand dollars or less and to take all actions necessary to effectuate those settlements as originally granted under and subject to the same terms and limitations as described in Resolution Nos. 0319-21, 313-22, 0030-24, and further defined by this Resolution through January 13, 2026 (Board of Commissioners).

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

Zak Talarek offered a resolution authorizing appropriation adjustments for the county's wellness incentive program, termination payouts, and to offset budgeted vacancy reductions (Board of Commissioners).

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

Zak Talarek offered a resolution authorizing the agreements between Franklin County and the Public Safety Answering Points for the disbursement of wireless 9-1-1 government assistance funds (Board of Commissioners).

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

Kevin Pangrace, Director, Government Affairs, offered a resolution authorizing a Memorandum of Understanding with the Franklin County Family and Children First Council, Franklin County Board of Commissioners, Franklin County Board of Developmental Disabilities, Franklin County Juvenile Court, Franklin County Children Services, Columbus, City Schools, Franklin County

ADAMH Board, Franklin County Department of Job and Family Services, Educational Services Center of Central Ohio, The United Way of Central Ohio (Board of Commissioners).

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

Melissa K. Kohler, Assistant Director, Community Appointments, offered a resolution appointing Thomas F. Hayes to the Franklin County Public Defender Commission (Board of Commissioners).

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

Melissa K. Kohler offered a resolution reappointing John Neil Lindsey to the Franklin County Alcohol, Drug and Mental Health Services Board (ADAMH) (Board of Commissioners).

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

Kris Long, Deputy County Administrator, offered a resolution for the Franklin County Board of Commissioners to convene into Executive Session for the purpose of considering information related to economic development assistance (Board of Commissioners).

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

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The Deputy Clerk noted that no journalizations are expected at General Session on Tuesday, November 26, 2024.

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COUNTY ADMINISTRATION UPDATE

Kenneth N. Wilson, County Administrator, advised of a scheduled Administrative Session on December 10, 2024, for the purpose of discussing requests pertaining to the Community Shelter Board and supporting organizations that are part of the Emergency Shelter Network. Mr. Wilson noted that the final Budget Hearing would take place on November 26, 2024, where the core principles discussed will include: Racial Equity, Good Stewardship, Environmental Sustainability, Civic Engagement, Job Creation & Economic Development, and Fiscal Security, in addition to, Affordable Housing Policy.

Joy Bivens, Deputy County Administrator, announced that Commissioner Boyce would be hosting a Soul Talk this evening at 6:00 P.M. with a dinner preceding at 5:00 P.M., focusing on mental health and relationships for the men of Franklin County and that women are invited and encouraged to attend. Ms. Bivens noted the event is currently at capacity.

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There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:49 A.M.

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These minutes are a general summary of the Commissioners' Briefing Session for Thursday, November 21, 2024.



KEVIN L. BOYCE, PRESIDENT



JOHN O'GRADY



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

Submitted by:



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Deputy Clerk to the Board of Commissioners