## FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

## MINUTES OF GENERAL SESSION

April 16, 2019

The Franklin County Board of Commissioners convened in the Commissioners Hearing Room at 9:00 A.M. on Tuesday, April 16, 2019.

Present were: Marilyn Brown, President

John O'Grady, Commissioner Kevin L. Boyce, Commissioner

Also present on the dais were Harold Anderson, Director of Business Contracts, Prosecutor's Office; Kenneth N. Wilson, County Administrator; Zachary Talarek, Director, Office of Management and Budget; and Antwan Booker, Clerk to the Board of Commissioners.

President Brown called the meeting to order at 9:03 A.M.

President Brown: As we continue to celebrate County Government Month throughout April, it gives me great pleasure to welcome members of our Franklin County Youth Council; I understand they have completed several projects this year and we are anxious to hear from them, but first I want to welcome their Program Manager, Susie Shipley-Norwood, to offer us an overview and introduce us to your students that are with us this morning. I would also like to call up Joy Bivens, Director, Job and Family Services, to come up and say a few words about the Youth Council.

Ms. Bivens: Good morning, Commissioners. The Franklin County Youth Council is a program that was developed by this Board of Commissioners. It is made up of a broad and diverse group of dynamic young people around Franklin County. I am going to turn it over to Ms. Shipley-Norwood to say a few words before the students.

Ms. Shipley-Norwood: Good morning, Commissioners. Thank you for the funding that makes it possible for these young people to do the dynamic work they have done. They are the ones who make this program work.

Group of students introduced themselves and gave an update on what the Youth Council is doing this year.

Ms. Shipley-Norwood: There are currently 30 students on the Youth Council this year. We are recruiting for new members.

President Brown: How would someone that is interested become a member?

Student: You can go to our Youth Portal at fcycoh.org. There is a link to apply for the Youth Council.

Ms. Bivens: We are intentional that as many of our school districts are represented on the Council. If you can provide internship opportunities, please reach out to the Youth Council.

President Brown: If anyone on the Youth Council is looking for employment, what is the best way to get in contact with them?

Ms. Shipley-Norwood: You can contact me, I will make sure to share that information with all of the Council members. On another note about this group of students, they wrote a mini-grant to fund a program, and was awarded funding.

(group photo)

President Brown: I would now like to invite Office on Aging Director Michelle Missler and our distinguished guest, Adult Protective Service Worker of the Year, Bruce Tolbert to the microphone. Last month the Ohio Coalition of Adult Protective Services recognized Franklin County's own Bruce Tolbert with the APS Worker of the Year award. We are all very proud of you and it is your unwavering, dedicated work that has garnered you this statewide recognition. Welcome and Congratulations, Bruce!

Ms. Missler: As the Director of the Franklin County Office on Aging I have the pleasure of working with many remarkable professionals serving older adults. Among these individuals is Bruce Tolbert who is one of the strongest advocates for vulnerable senior citizens in Franklin County. In Franklin County we've quietly known for years that Bruce does amazing work but on March 15, 2019 Bruce's dedication to protecting older adults was recognized at the Ohio Coalition of Adult Protective Services conference as the APS worker of the year.

Bruce has given me permission to share details about his recent health struggles. On September 17, 2017 Bruce was on a home visit and he suffered a seizure. The seizure stopped and he completed the home visit. Unfortunately, he experienced 2 additional seizures later that day and was taken to the hospital by his husband, Dave. It wasn't long before he was diagnosed with brain cancer. The prognosis was not good; it looked like he may never be able to come back to work again. At that point our team was all just hoping and praying that he would survive. Through the course of the next six months Bruce endured four surgeries followed by chemotherapy and radiation therapy. Remarkably, and against all odds, Bruce returned to work in April of 2018 and today we are beyond thrilled to celebrate the one year anniversary of his last surgery. Although there is no "remission" from brain cancer, Bruce is optimistic that healthy living and good medicine can keep him healthy.

Bruce is the last person to seek recognition for the great work he has done in adult protective services. Bruce does not want anyone to know that under the serious, professional exterior lies a man as sensitive and caring as anyone we know. In the course of his 20 years with the Franklin

County Office on Aging Bruce has conducted over two thousand investigations of alleged abuse, neglect, and exploitation. In addition to his longevity Bruce has maintained a standard of excellence in case management practices. The agency has taken a number of complaint calls about Bruce. These calls are almost all from alleged perpetrators who would prefer that they not have an investigator as dogged as Bruce. Like all good APS case managers, Bruce revels in solving contentious, difficult problems. The citizens of Franklin County are truly blessed to have someone like Bruce Tolbert to turn to in times of need.

Congratulations Bruce! Thank you to the Franklin County Board of Commissioners to helping the Office on Aging recognize the great work of Mr. Tolbert.

Mr. Tolbert: It is a great honor to be selected as APS worker of the year. It is an honor to be honored by the Commissioners. It more of an honor to serve the vulnerable clients of Franklin County.

(group photo)

Approval of the minutes of the February 26, March 12, and March 19, 2019 General Session. Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The minutes were unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 266-19, resolution authorizing consulting service for website redesign and hosting First Year Encumbrance (\$35,600.00)(Court of Common Pleas), presented by Michael Pifher, Information Technology Director, Court of Common Pleas.

Mr. Pifher: This resolution approves the contract with CivicPlus, LLC to refresh the Court's current website and provide cloud-based hosting services. The contracted services include but not limited to: migration of current content, support services, upgrades and maintenance. This contract is for two years, with the option to extend for three additional 1-year periods.

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 266-19, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

**Resolution No. 267-19,** resolution adopting the Franklin County Engineer's annual review and amendment to the 10-Year Capital Improvement Program for Roads and Bridges (Engineer), presented by Cornell Robertson, County Engineer, Engineer's Office.

Mr. Robertson: This resolution is our capital improvement program for a 10 year forecast. Last year, we presented a similar resolution that included 50 projects. Since then, we have checked off six and added 19 projects.

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 267-19, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 268-19, resolution authorizing the 2019 General Drainage Investigation and Repair Services Contract for Franklin County, Ohio declared necessary and sealed bids to be opened on May 7, 2019 at 2:00 P.M. (Engineer), presented by Mr. Robertson.

Mr. Robertson: This resolution is for a contract to maintain drainage, similar to maintenance contracts for guardrails, signals, and signage. This is a new idea we had and think it will be a way to respond to drainage complaints more quickly.

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 268-19, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 269-19, resolution authorizing a contract with LJB, Inc., consulting engineers appointed to assist the Franklin County Engineer in performing preliminary engineering for the Cleveland Avenue at Innis Road improvement project, Clinton Township, Franklin County, Ohio (\$47,010.00)(Engineer), presented by Fritz Crosier, Chief Deputy Engineer, Engineer's Office.

Mr. Crosier: Commissioners, this next resolution seeks approval to enter into a consultant services agreement with LJB, Inc. to assist the Franklin County Engineer with preliminary engineering for the Cleveland Avenue at Innis Road Improvement project. This consultant was chosen using our qualifications based selection process.

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 269-19, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 270-19, resolution authorizing a contract with ADR & Associates, Ltd., consulting engineers appointed to assist the Franklin County Engineer in preparing right-of-way and construction plans for the Havenwood Improvement project, Franklin Township and Prairie Township, Franklin County, Ohio (\$96,241.00)(Engineer), presented by Mr. Crosier.

Mr. Crosier: Commissioners, this next resolution seeks approval to enter into a consultant services agreement with ADR Associates to assist the Franklin County Engineer with engineering services for the Havenwood Improvement project. This consultant was chosen using our qualifications based selection process.

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 270-19, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

President Brown: We have a Public Hearing. Can the Clerk please read the Public Hearing?

PUBLIC HEARING—Plans approved for the improvement of Reynoldsburg-New Albany Road at Weldon improvement project, Jefferson Township, Franklin County, Ohio.

President Brown: I would like to open up the Public Hearing for this resolution. Is there anyone here in the audience who would like to speak on this Public Hearing? Seeing none, I would like to close the Public Hearing and have the clerk read the resolution into record.

**Resolution No. 271-19,** resolution for plans approved for the improvement of Reynoldsburg-New Albany Road at Weldon improvement project, Jefferson Township, Franklin County, Ohio (Engineer), presented by Mr. Crosier.

Mr. Crosier: This resolution seeks plan approval for the improvement of Reynoldsburg-New Albany Road at Weldon Improvement. This is a collaborative roadway improvement project between Franklin County and a private developer located in northeast Franklin County in Jefferson Township. Plans, specifications and estimates have been prepared and approved by the County Engineer. The next step would be to schedule a bid opening. The project is scheduled to begin summer 2019.

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 271-19, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

**Resolution No. 272-19,** resolution adopting the Franklin County Drainage Engineer's annual review and amendment to the 10-Year Capital Improvement Program for Drainage Systems (Drainage Engineer), presented by Mr. Robertson.

Mr. Robertson: This is our 10 year Capital Improvement Program for the Drainage Engineer's Office. This is the first time we presented this resolution. We believe this a good way for formalize the projections we have on the drainage systems we want to work on.

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 272-19, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

**Resolution No. 273-19,** resolution awarding contract and approving contract bond to Terra Valley Excavating, for the Storm Sewer Improvement 241-287 Georgesville Road Project, Franklin County, Ohio (\$111,256.00)(Drainage Engineer), presented by Mr. Robertson.

Mr. Robertson: This resolution is for the project we call La Plaza Tapitia storm sewer improvement. We held a competitive bid on April 2, 2019. There were six bidders and Terra Valley had the lowest and best bid.

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 273-19, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

**Resolution No. 274-19,** resolution authorizing Contracts for Canned, Dry, Frozen and Dairy Food Products for the Franklin County Correctional Facilities (\$1,300,000.00)(Sheriff), presented by Dave Masterson, Director of Administrative Services, Sheriff's Office.

Mr. Masterson: This resolution authorizes a six month contract through October 17, 2019 to supply the jails with canned, dried and frozen foods. All items have a firm and fixed price through the contract expiration and are part of the certified menu for the corrections division. The contract was competitively bid through County Purchasing where vendors were chosen based on price and delivery capabilities.

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 274-19, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

**Resolution No. 275-19,** resolution authorizing a contract with Premier Safety for the provision of the delivery and supply of two (2) AreaRAE Pro Rapid System Packages for Columbus Fire Division NIMS Type I Hazardous Materials Team (\$151,646.10)(Emergency Management Agency), presented by Jeff Young, Director, Emergency Management Agency.

Mr. Young: Good Morning, Commissioners. Jeff Young representing Franklin County Emergency Management and Homeland Security and I have with me Fire Chief Kevin O'Conner of the Columbus Fire Division and accompanied by Lieutenant Moore from Hazardous Materials Team.

Before you is a resolution for a contract with Premier Safety for the delivery of two Area Rae Pro remote air monitoring kits. These kits provide the ability to remotely and in real time monitor for a variety of toxic chemicals, volatile organic compounds and gamma radiation. This equipment will be issued to, and operated by the Columbus Fire Division Hazardous Materials team both during response incidents as well as pro-actively as part of the large crowd and special event safety plans. In addition to local City of Columbus responses, the Columbus Fire Division Team responds regionally as our National Incident Management System rated Type 1 team. In addition to hazardous materials response, this team supports the safety infrastructure in place during large crowd events such as Red, White and Bomb, the Arnold Fitness Expo and the Women's Final Four in 2018.

This equipment will be replacing current equipment that is reaching the end of its normal service life and is outside the support window of the original manufacturer. In selecting this equipment the Department of Homeland Security System Assessment and Validation for Emergency Response program was reviewed and the Area Rae equipment was the highest rated system for functionality as well as usability by field personnel.

This project is fully funded through the State Homeland Security Grant program spread across the 2017 and 2018 grant program budget cycles with Franklin County Purchasing supporting the procurement process. As part of that process, Premier Safety was found to be the lowest and best bid.

President Brown: Mr. O'Conner, do you want to say anything about this resolution?

Mr. O'Conner: This grant allows us to monitor in real-time in a passive basis. An item like this will be in service tonight for our hockey game. It is something most people do not see and we do not want them to see.

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 275-19, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 276-19, resolution approving three (3) contract extensions for on-site case management services between the Franklin County Department of Job and Family Services and Mt. Carmel East Hospital, Mt. Carmel St. Ann's Hospital, and Mt. Carmel West Hospital. (\$255,198.72)(Job and Family Services), presented by Joy Bivens, Director, Job and Family Services.

Ms. Bivens: Per the terms of the contract, one of our case managers will be stationed full time, 40 hours per week. They will provide timely assistance in determining eligibility for Medicaid, but also for other supportive services. This is a relationship we have had since 2017. They will also reimburse us the actual amount, the cost of each case manager, including salary and benefits, which is not to exceed \$9,057.14 per case manager. They will also reimburse us up to 10% of that cost each month to help cover the costs of assisted supervisor, and specialists.

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 276-19, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

**Resolution No. 277-19,** resolution authorizing Contract Modification 1 with Peterson Construction Company for the Timberlake Water Treatment Plant Upgrades Project (\$863,394.00)(Sanitary Engineers), presented by Ryan Stowe, Project Manager, Sanitary Engineers.

Mr. Stowe: Good Morning, Commissioners. I am Ryan Stowe with the Department of Sanitary Engineering. The Sanitary Engineer is requesting the authorization of a contract modification with Peterson Construction Company in the amount of \$6,394.00 for the Timberlake Water Treatment Plant Upgrades project. During construction, extra work was encountered for which the Contractor is due compensation. This extra work includes:

- Additional costs for a transformer for the new chemical storage building
- Additional costs for piping modifications to the membrane permeate piping

• Owner requested change to the programming services subcontractor
This modification will be funded from the Sanitary Engineer's water capital account and
will cover all projected costs through the completion of the project.

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 277-19, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 278-19, resolution authorizing a consultant contract with Fred C. Bowditch for continued professional services related to critical infrastructure protection and private/public partnerships (\$50,000.00)(Homeland Security), presented by Jessica Yuzwa, Homeland Security.

Ms. Yuzwa: Good Morning, Commissioners. Jessica Yuzwa, Office of Homeland Security. The resolution we have this morning is a personal services contract with Fred Bowditch for our public/private partnership liaison. Fred has filled this roll for several years and works well with our team. The contract is for one year not to exceed \$50,000 with two 1 year extensions.

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 278-19, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

**Resolution No. 279-19,** resolution authorizing a one-year contract with Columbus Humane to investigate cases of animal cruelty, neglect, and abandonment in Franklin County (\$35,000.00)(Community Partnerships), presented by Dayna McCrary, Community Partnership Coordinator, Community Partnerships.

Ms. McCrary: This resolution will enable us to support Columbus Humane efforts in investigating all claims. They will continue to provide education to the public regarding responsible pet ownership.

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 279-19, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 280-19, resolution authorizing a one-year contract with Franklin County Public Health to implement the Stop the Bleed Campaign in schools throughout Franklin County (\$52,800.00)(Community Partnerships), presented by Ms. McCrary.

Ms. McCrary: This resolution is a departure from the work we have previously done with Public Health. For the past several years, we have supported the purchase of influenza vaccines and the distribution of them. This year they are proposing to reach out to 15 local school districts to implement the Stop the Bleed campaign. It is a training model where they would have trained professionals in each school, in an unfortunate event of mass casualties, there will be people onsite to help.

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 280-19, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

**Resolution No. 281-19,** resolution authorizing a one-year contract with Heart of Ohio Family Health Center to provide under and uninsured Franklin County residents with increased access to quality healthcare (\$95,000.00)(Community Partnerships), presented by Ms. McCrary.

Ms. McCrary: This resolution is continuing the partnership with Heart of Ohio for many years. Helping diabetic patients, hypertension patients and decrease the number of babies born with low birth weight. We have Dr. Buhari Mohammed from Heart of Ohio Family Health Center with us and I would have him say a few words about the work they are doing.

Dr. Mohammed: We have been in Franklin County for 16 years. Part of our work is to determine the social determinant of health. We are also involved in the combat against opioid abuse. We also engage in the infant mortality, by having the Centering Pregnancy Care. This is a good model to reduce infant mortality. We provide a community garden for our patients. These are some of the things we do every day.

Commissioner O'Grady: We have so many neighborhoods that are lacking the access to fresh fruits and vegetables.

President Brown: We have a public speaker for this resolution. Will Barbara Tolber, B.R.E.A.D. come up and speak to the resolution?

Ms. Tolber: I support this resolution. I own my home, but struggle to keep up the maintenance. Bids for maintenance were sent out, but were not funded. If these issues are not fixed, I am going to have to move out of my home. There needs to be a program that will help them stay in their homes and keep them in good repair. The housing crisis impacts the patients of Heart of Ohio. We were made aware of a willingness to increase the conveyance fee by \$1. We still urge you to increase the fee to the maximum amount by state law. This increase could lead to millions of additional dollars to the Affordable Housing Trust Fund. What would it take to make this possible? Thank you.

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 281-19, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 282-19, resolution authorizing April 30, 2019 as the Franklin County Commissioners Employee Recognition Day (\$2,500.00)(Human Resources), presented by Sue Hamilton, Assistant Director, Human Resources.

Ms. Hamilton: Good Morning, Commissioners, Sue Hamilton representing the Department of Human Resources. For your consideration today is a request to make April 30, 2019 Employee Recognition Day to honor the work of the 1,400 employees of the Board of

Commissioners. A recognition event for employees celebrating service milestones as well as celebration of the employee of the year for each BOC agency is planned.

In addition to a performance by the JFS volunteer choir, \$2,500 is needed to provide plaques, service pins, programs, as well as light snacks and of course a cake which will be provided by a Minority Business Enterprise who provided the lowest and best quote. Delightful Delights (DDC)

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 282-19, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

**Resolution No. 283-19,** resolution approving purchases for various Franklin County agencies (\$2,737,771.01)(Purchasing), presented by Karl Kuespert, Director, Purchasing.

Mr. Kuespert: Good morning Commissioners, Karl Kuespert, Director of the Purchasing Department. The resolution before you requests your approval of 114 purchase orders.

Included in this resolution are 15 eligible purchase orders. These are defined as POs in which Small & Emerging Business Enterprises are likely to participate. Of these POs, 7 were awarded to SEBEs which is 46.7% of the eligible PO volume. The sum of these 7 POs total \$99,381.00 which is 79.2% of the eligible PO dollar value. These purchase orders have been precertified as to the availability of funds by the County Auditor.

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 283-19, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 284-19, resolution to authorize the execution and delivery of the First Supplement To The Cooperative Agreement Dated As Of January 1, 2010, with the Franklin County Convention Facilities Authority and the City of Columbus, Ohio, and other matters relating thereto (Board of Commissioners), presented by Zak Talarek, Director, Office of Management and Budget.

Mr. Talarek: This resolution would authorize an amendment to the Cooperative Agreement for the expansion of the existing Convention Center hotel. We have Mary Duffy, Dinsmore & Shohl, Mark Miller, Baker Tilly and Don Brown, Franklin County Facilities Authority to discuss the project in further detail.

Ms. Duffy: The Cooperative Agreement was entered into in 2010 to provide for convention facilities. This supplement to the agreement will facilitate the expansion of the hotel to approximately 1,000 rooms and more convention space.

Mr. Brown: We want to thank the Commissioners for the support in 2010. With your help, we can transform a part of our property with another tower. This will help us draw more

and larger conventions. This will create 200 more good paying jobs with an hourly rate of \$15/hr. It will also create an additional 600 construction jobs over the next 30 months. We look to break ground on August 9, 2019 and hope to open it in January 2022. Without your help, this would not be possible. Thank you.

President Brown: Our portion of this project is backstopping part of the bonding. Can you talk about how this works and what our exposure may be?

Mr. Brown: The Convention Facilities Authority will issue the bonds to finance this project. About 55% of the debt obligation will be supported by the net operating income of the hotel itself. The City of Columbus and Franklin County are being asked to provide a backstop guarantee to approximately 45% of the obligation on a 50/50 basis. It will be repaid without reliance on the City of Columbus or Franklin County dollars. It will be repaid from the net operating income of the property and the bed taxes from the property.

Commissioner O'Grady: This new project will be attached to the Convention Center, correct?

Mr. Brown: Yes. Commissioner.

Commissioner Boyce: With Franklin County's backstop, I assume that will require an annual encumbrance. What is that amount and how is it going to be structured?

Mr. Talarek: We will have the final numbers when the bonds are issued. It will be approximately 50% of \$100,000,000. There will be a separate Convention Facilities Fund that has both a revenue and appropriation tied to the lease and sublease agreement for the operation of the new hotel. Unlike the Cooperative Agreement from 2010, there will be no need to set aside cash from the General Fund as a cash backstop.

Commissioner Boyce: It is appropriation based, but we do not have to appropriate the funds?

Mr. Talarek: We will appropriate the funds, but there is revenue assumed through the sublease.

Commissioner Boyce: The money generated from the site itself will be the first wave of payment. If that does not meet the costs, the County is then subject to cover the gap.

President Brown: There are several layers before our backstop kicks in. Can you discuss this process?

Mr. Miller: There are going to be two series of bonds related to this project. The senior series of bonds will be completely supported by the revenues of the facilities. Those bonds are paid by the revenues of the project and will have a debt service reserve fund associated with it. The junior bonds are the ones that are enhanced or supported by the appropriation

of the City of Columbus and Franklin County. The first level of funds for the repayment of that debt will be the revenues of the project. Secondly, there is going to be a fund put in place that will accumulate up to approximately \$25,000,000. That will be used as the secondary source of repayment. The third level will be other Convention Facilities Authority funds that are scheduled to accumulate over time. If and only then, if these sources are depleted, will the need be to call on the appropriation of the City of Columbus and Franklin County. Right now, it is anticipated in the Cooperative Agreement that the junior series of bonds will be up to \$100,000,000.

In our preliminary analysis, we have done a number of stress test scenarios and the impact they would have on projected revenues, and in none of these scenarios have there been a need to call upon the appropriations of the City of Columbus or Franklin County.

Ms. Duffy: The appropriation will not be for the entire \$50,000,000, but just the debt service that would be due for that year. When the bond issuance is approved, we will be back in front of the Commissioners.

Commissioner Boyce: How does this affect the original agreement? Was there any restructuring of the debt?

Ms. Duffy: Not in respect to what the bond holders see. The bond holders are promised to be paid from the County. The County's money has never been touched.

Mr. Brown: The Convention Facility will continue to maintain separate and additional cash reserves that backstop the 2010 debt.

Commissioner Boyce: This is really important. We have to be thoughtful of the County's resources. There is a potential obligation that exists.

Mr. Miller: As we go to market for the bonds, our plan is to put as much of the debt as we can into the senior bonds, then backfill with the junior bonds.

Commissioner Boyce: What is the par amount you are looking for?

Mr. Miller: The projections right now is between \$235-\$240 million.

Kenneth N. Wilson, County Administrator: We had to balance a lot of factors with this agreement. In the traveling and tourism business, it is quite likely that the Convention Facilities Authorities will need to look at other capital projects. The City of Columbus and Franklin County has traditionally backed that debt. It was important for us to protect the integrity of the 2010 bonds.

President Brown: This has been a really good partnership. We are doing it for the long term health of the community and protecting the Convention Facilities ability to retain and attract conventions.

Commissioner Boyce: I have been in contact with Mr. Brown about inclusion on the project at every level, from financing to the workers. I feel good about the direction this project is headed in.

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 284-19, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 285-19, resolution of the Franklin County Board of Commissioners to convene into Executive Session to confer with the Franklin County Prosecutor's Office concerning pending or imminent litigation (Board of Commissioners).

Commissioner O'Grady: Move to convene into Executive Session to confer with an attorney for the public body concerning disputes involving the public body that are the subject of pending or imminent court action.

Commissioner Boyce: Second.

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 285-19, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

The Commissioners convened into Executive Session at 10:22 A.M. Commissioner O'Grady moved to come out of Executive Session, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Commissioners came out of Executive Session at 11:34 A.M. with no deliberative action taken. With no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 11:34 A.M.

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These minutes are a summary of the Commissioners' meeting of April 16, 2019.

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**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS** 

FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO

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