

FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES OF GENERAL SESSION

August 4, 2020

The Franklin County Board of Commissioners convened the General Session meeting via Zoom conferencing, at 9:00 A.M. on Tuesday, August 4, 2020.

Present were: President O'Grady
Marilyn Brown, Commissioner
Kevin L. Boyce, Commissioner

Also present were Nick Soulas, First Assistant Prosecuting Attorney, Prosecuting Attorney's Office; Kenneth N. Wilson, County Administrator; Zachary Talarek, Director, Office of Management & Budget; and, Dean M. Hindenlang, Clerk to the Board of Commissioners, amongst others.

Participants were able to access General Session (via Zoom conferencing) by dialing (929) 436-2866, Meeting ID: 530 479 003; or by joining at: <https://franklincountyohio.zoom.us/j/530479003>

President O'Grady called the meeting to order at 9:04 A.M.

Resolution No. 0517-20, authorizing an Economic Development Agreement with Columbus Urban League to administer the Franklin County Community Equity Fund and establish the Franklin County Business Growth and Equity Alliance utilizing COVID-19 Federal CARES Act Funding (\$2,000,000.00) (Economic Development and Planning), presented by Keena Smith, Deputy County Administrator, Board of Commissioners.

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

Congresswoman Joyce Beatty (D-Ohio; 3rd District), Stephanie Hightower, President and CEO, Columbus Urban League, and Kenny McDonald, President and CEO, One Columbus, addressed the Board in support of the proposed resolution.

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0517-20, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Approval of the minutes of the March 10 and March 17, 2020, General Sessions; the July 30, 2020, Briefing Session; and the July 27, 29, and 31, 2020, Administrative Briefings. Commissioner

Brown moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The minutes were unanimously approved by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0505-20, authorizing contracts for attendance services with Groveport Madison, New Albany Plain Local, and South Western City Schools (\$132,090.00) (Domestic Relations), presented by Julie Troth, Deputy Director of Programs and Services, Domestic Relations.

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

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0505-20, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0506-20, authorizing a contract for the linen and laundry service for the Franklin County Juvenile Intervention Center (\$52,000.00) (Domestic Relations), presented by Barb Reeves, Deputy Director, Domestic Relations.

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

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0506-20, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0507-20, authorizing a contract with Hoover Blanket, Inc. dba Main Street Computing for the implementation of a new Dog Licensing Software System (\$302,710.00) (Auditor), presented by Michael Stinziano, Auditor, Auditor's Office.

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

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0507-20, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

PUBLIC HEARING: Resolution regarding final hearing for establishing, altering and widening of Toy Road, Swisher Road, and Saltzgeber Road, Madison Township, Franklin County, Ohio.

President O'Grady: I would like to open up the Public Hearing. Would anyone like to speak regarding this Public Hearing? Seeing none, I will close the Public Hearing.

Resolution No. 0508-20, the final hearing for establishing, altering and widening of Toy Road,

Swisher Road, and Saltzgaber Road, Madison Township, Franklin County, Ohio (Engineer), presented by Cornell Robertson, Engineer, Engineer's Office.

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

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0508-20, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0509-20, awarding contract and approving contract bond to The Shelly Company for the 2020 Franklin County Township Resurfacing Program (\$2,118,287.19) (Engineer), presented by Cornell Robertson, Engineer, Engineer's Office.

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

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0509-20, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0510-20, authorizing the Franklin County Engineer to enter into a contract modification with HDR Engineering, Inc. for the Walnut Street at Harlem Road Improvement project, an increase of (\$46,711.64) for a revised contract amount of \$186,154.64 (\$186,154.64) (Engineer), presented by Cornell Robertson, Engineer, Engineer's Office.

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

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0510-20, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0511-20, authorizing a contract with Evans, Mechwart, Hambleton & Tilton, Inc. to provide consulting services (\$37,460.00) (Engineer), presented by Cornell Robertson, Engineer, Engineer's Office

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

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0511-20, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0512-20, Carpenter Marty, Inc., consulting engineers appointed to assist the Franklin County Engineer with engineering services for the Brown Road, County Road No. 142 from Frank Road, County Road No. 125 to US Route 62, Harrisburg Pike Improvement project,

Franklin County, Ohio (\$174,108.25) (Engineer), presented by Cornell Robertson, Engineer, Engineer's Office.

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

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0512-20, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0513-20, HR Gray, Inc., consulting engineers appointed to assist the Franklin County Engineer in performing construction inspection services, Franklin County, Ohio (\$100,000.00) (Engineer), presented by Cornell Robertson, Engineer, Engineer's Office.

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

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0513-20, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0514-20, authorizing an agreement with Data Transfer Solutions, LLC., to provide consulting services (\$126,943.00) (Engineer), presented by Cornell Robertson, Engineer, Engineer's Office.

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

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0514-20, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0515-20, approving amendment to the compliance schedules for Franklin County related to a Consent Decree with the State of Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (Drainage Engineer), presented by Cornell Robertson, Engineer, Engineer's Office.

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

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0515-20, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0516-20, authorizing supplemental appropriations to prepare for the 2020 General Election (Board of Elections), presented by Ed Leonard, Director, Board of Elections.

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

Commissioner Brown: In terms of the poll workers, what can this resolution pay for? Can this money pay for additional training, and can you pay to get additional sites if you need to pay for them on Election Day?

Mr. Leonard: Yes. We do pay for some locations. We've got all the government locations we get without charge.

President O'Grady: Myself and my colleagues are doing all we can to encourage our employees to take the day off from work and do what we can to get as many poll workers and support you in that effort. House Bill 680 allows for each county to have a drop box. I'm assuming you are discussing amongst your team, ideas for locations for that drop box. It currently only allows for one location per county as a result of the pandemic, for folks to be able to come and drop their absentee ballot as opposed to going to the Board of Elections. I assume you and your team are discussing where the location might be?

Mr. Leonard: We are currently looking at multiple locations, because the Secretary of State has made a request to the [Ohio] Attorney General for an opinion regarding drop boxes. Even if House Bill 680 doesn't get enacted, if the secretary of state determines that there is authority to do multiple drop boxes, then it's a matter of determining where we would locate them. I've been in conversations with the Sheriff's Office, and Public Facilities Management staff, in terms of the county government locations that are already in the video surveillance network that have cameras at them. I've talked to Pat Losinski at the library for drop box areas, because those are monitored 24/7.

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0516-20, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0518-20, approving a contract with Anexsis, Inc., for a technology platform that supports online youth employment and training programs, and services (\$60,000.00) (Job and Family Services), presented by Vivian Turner, Assistant Director, Job and Family Services.

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

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0518-20, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0519-20, authorizing a second modification of the agreement with Ethiopian Tewahedo Social Services to serve as fiscal and administrative agent to assist the New American Advisory Council (Job and Family Services), presented by Kris Long, Deputy County Administrator.

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

Seleshi Avalew Asfaw, Executive Director, Ethiopian Tewahedo Social Services, and Nadia Kasvin, Co-Found and Director, US Together, addressed the Board in support of the proposed resolution.

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0519-20, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0520-20, authorizing a water service agreement between Franklin County Board of Commissioners and City of Columbus for Perry Township (Sanitary Engineers), presented by Stephen Renner, Director, Sanitary Engineers.

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

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0520-20, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0521-20, authorizing a sewer service agreement between Franklin County Board of Commissioners and City of Columbus for Perry Township, Franklin County, Ohio (Sanitary Engineers), presented by Stephen Renner, Director, Sanitary Engineers.

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

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0521-20, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0522-20, authorizing a supplemental appropriation within the Targeted Community Alternatives to Prison program (Justice Policy and Programs), presented by Michael Daniels, Director, Justice Policy and Programs.

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

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0522-20, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0523-20, authorizing a Year Three contract extension with Karen Leffler for peer support and case management services through the FY19 Centers for Disease Control and Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration Medication Assisted Treatment

Prescription Drug and Opioid Addiction (MAT-PDOA) grants (\$25,000.00) (Justice Policy and Programs), presented by Michael Daniels, Director, Justice Policy and Programs.

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

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0523-20, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0524-20, approving purchases for various Franklin County agencies (\$1,642,713.27) (Purchasing), presented by Megan Perry-Balonier, Director, Purchasing.

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

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0524-20, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0525-20, approving the issuance of Health Care Facilities Revenue Refunding and Improvement Bonds, Series 2020 (The Wesley Communities Obligated Group Project) of the County of Franklin, Ohio, in one or more series, in an original aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$100,000,000 and consenting to and approving the execution and delivery of Leases, Subleases and a Trust Indenture connection with the issuance of such Series 2020 Bonds (Board of Commissioners), presented by Drew Linnenbom, Partner, Dinsmore & Shohl, LLP.

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

Margaret Carmany President & CEO, Wesley Communities, addressed the Board in support of the proposed resolution.

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0525-20, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0526-20, reappointing Peggy S. Anderson, LISW-S, to the Franklin County Alcohol, Drug and Mental Health Services Board (Board of Commissioners), presented by Erik Janas, Deputy County Administrator, Board of Commissioners.

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

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0526-20, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0527-20, resolution of the Franklin County Board of Commissioners to convene into Executive Session for the purpose of considering personnel matters (Board of Commissioners).

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0527-20, for the purpose of considering personnel matters, seconded by Commissioner Boyce. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote and the Commissioners convened into Executive Session at 10:48 A.M.

At 12:55 P.M., Commissioner Brown moved to come out of Executive Session, with Commissioner Boyce seconding, which was unanimously approved. No action was taken upon exiting Executive Session, and with no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 12:56 P.M.

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These minutes are a summary of the Commissioners' meeting of August 4, 2020.



JOHN O'GRADY, PRESIDENT



MARILYN BROWN



**KEVIN L. BOYCE
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO**

Submitted by:



Victoria Caldwell