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The Franklin County Board of Commissioners convened in the Commissioners Hearing Room at 9:00 A.M. on Tuesday, August 6, 2019.

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

Also present on the dais were Paul Thies, Assistant Prosecutor, Prosecuting Attorney's Office; Kenneth N. Wilson, County Administrator; Zachary Talarek, Director, Office of Management & Budget; and, Victoria Caldwell, Interim Clerk to the Board of Commissioners.

President Brown called the meeting to order at 9:06 A.M.

President Brown: I know that everyone is still reeling from the events of this weekend and I do know that my colleague wanted to have an opportunity to say a few words, and so I will turn it over to Commissioner Boyce.

Commissioner Boyce: Thank you, Madam President. I want to thank everyone who has sent their prayers and heartfelt thoughts out to the families of the victims over the last several days. Certainly, we in Franklin County feel for everyone in Dayton and El Paso. And, everywhere else across America where they have had the unfortunate experience of dealing with mass shootings, from evil and hatred that often exists in our world. Probably the earliest memory that I have in life is when I was seven years old, and I can remember getting a knock at the door and it was my aunt who lived a few doors down. She quickly ushered my mother into the kitchen. A few moments later my mother came out of the kitchen and set my sister and I on her lap and shared with us that my father had just been murdered. Here was a man who served two tours in Vietnam as a Marine. He came back to his own neighborhood and community to have his life taken by someone who looked like him; lived in the same community; and, shared a lot of the same daily challenges and issues that he did with his family. Over the last few days, I have really struggled with putting out a statement like so many politicians and political figures have done. A lot of them issue statements and have press conferences, and quite frankly, we're at a point in this country where press conferences and statements are not what we need. We need action.

Commissioner Boyce (cont.): I am making this statement because I am calling on Governor DeWine, and I am calling on Attorney General Yost, and I am calling on Speaker Larry Householder to take action. We appreciate the statements, we appreciate the condolences, but enough is enough. And they are running this state and they have the ability to make a difference.

And, quite frankly, I will go as far as to say, I will work with you on this. I know the passion and care of my colleagues and we would like to work with you. We are part of the system of the impact of what happens when mass shootings occur. Or, when guns are used in crimes and there are victims. And, what I can tell you about being a victim myself, is that it's not simply the person whose life is taken that is a victim. It lasts for a lifetime, generations. And so, I am asking to work together to make a real difference. My criticism of leadership right now is that we have missed the opportunity. There are at least ten bills, right now, that are in the General Assembly that are gun control laws that are fair. And, I should add, I am a gun owner, by the way. I am not trying to take anyone's rights away, but we have got to take some action that will protect our families, our citizens, and our communities. For all of the press conferences and statements that have been done, there are bills like Senate Bill 19, sponsored by Sandra Williams of Cleveland, to enact red flag protections; Representative Bride Rose Sweeney and Allison Russo, right here in Columbus have proposed companion legislation in the House; House Bill 63, sponsored by Cecil Thomas, a former law enforcement officer, require universal background checks on gun purchases; Phil Robinson, is proposing companion legislation in the House; House Bill 62; House Bill 64; Senate Bill 62; Senate Bill 64; Senate Bill 65; Senate Bill 43; House Bill 240, and I can go on, and on, and on, and none of these bills have been passed this year. None of these bills have been passed this year and have barely had hearings.

Commissioner Boyce (cont.): If you want to issue statements, let's work together to make a difference. We've got an opportunity to work together and create an environment that families can be safe in, that people can be safe in. It's okay to go out to a bar and enjoy some time with a friend. You shouldn't have to worry about your life being taken. And so, here is a real opportunity to challenge those in leadership in our Governor's office, and I think very highly of our Governor; I think he's a good person. And, those in our House leadership. I think Speaker Householder is trying to do some interesting things, working with Democrats. But, you know, you've got the Heartbeat bill done; you called an emergency session for the energy bill to bail out the energy company. You did a temporary budget. We can get some gun control legislation done. It's a matter of the will to get things done, and I will put Franklin County out there to say, we will work with you, because we've been impacted across the board. Our families, our communities have been impacted every day from gun violence. And so, I challenge the Governor, and I challenge our Speaker, I challenge the Attorney General, to work with counties like Franklin County, Cuyahoga County, Lucas County, Montgomery County, Summit County, Lucas County, Hamilton County, and any county in-between. I believe that we can move the needle in this conversation. Not to where these things never happen, as evil has existed since the beginning of time and will exist to the end of time. But, we can do our best to control it and manage it in a way that makes our families, and our residents, and our communities safe. And, that's what's most important. I would ask all those that are listening, and all those that are here to join me in this effort, with our legislative and gubernatorial leaders to work together to move the needle in Ohio, so that tomorrow is better than today.

(Applause)

President Brown: Thank you, Commissioner Boyce. I could not have said it better. I, too, have been struggling this weekend. There are no words. We're out of words. It's time to act and act

now. Beyond the state, it's time for this country to act and to end the violence, and end the use of assault weapons to kill people. And that's the bottom line. There is no sense in having automatic weapons to kill people. I don't care if you're a hunter. I don't care if you want to protect your family. I am all for that. I am all for Second Amendment rights. But, there is no point in allowing guns for the killing of people. It's just wrong. And, I will do whatever it takes in the time that I am here to fight for that. I will fight for the safety of our residents, throughout the city, throughout the county, throughout the state, and throughout this great country that we live in. It takes political will to do these things. And, we know in this county, our work is hard. It takes leadership and we know how to get things done. And, we will use whatever power we have to make sure that we make the right decisions for our residents.

(A moment of silence was observed)

President Brown: Thank you, all. Thank you. We really appreciate you all being here today. We don't often have the need to get this worked up about things, but these are desperate times. And, we have time speak out when things are so bad.

President Brown (cont.): We do have some guests today. Some special guests today. We have a dear friend, Mr. John Gregory. He is the founder of the African American Male Wellness Walk. And I know we have a lot of people in the audience representing the African American Male Wellness Walk, which is this Saturday. We are thrilled to have all of you here in the audience. I don't know who wants to come up. If John is coming up that's wonderful. We're thrilled you're here and I know we've got a great event coming up on Saturday with the walk. We've got the health fair. We've got the screenings coming up, starting at 7 (A.M.). If you'd like to talk for a few minutes, we've also got a resolution for you, and we want to get a picture with you.

Mr. Gregory: That sound great. As you can see, these are my friends.

President Brown: I see. You've got lots of friends.

Mr. Gregory: First of all, I'd like to thank you for inviting us. I was sitting here laughing, Marilyn, because I remember we were having coffee, a long time ago, and we were talking about what a wonderful commissioner you were going to make. And, I want to say that you have fulfilled that calling, and we thank you.

(Applause)

Mr. Gregory: I want to give you just a slight history of the African American Male Wellness Initiative. We started 16 years ago, because like Commissioner Boyce said, we wanted to do something. We didn't just want to talk, we wanted to do something. The African American Male Wellness Initiative is not just about health, it's about mental health. We do a program called "Barbershop Talk: Real Talk, Real Men," where we bring African American men together to talk about it being okay when you have mental health issues and you get help. We also do a program where we do a cooking class with dads. We bring fathers and their children together, and they have cooking experiences and learn how to cook healthy meals. We also do an AIDS event, where we're

trying to offer education to African American men, who are leading in the county in testing positive for AIDS. And so, we're doing AIDS education. I was appointed to the governor's committee on the opioid crisis. And that's our new thing which is the opioid crisis. What they have found out is that African American men, over the age of 40, are using at a higher rate than white men. They just found this out through research within the last year. And, then finally, our African American Male Wellness does a financial literacy course, where we are going to teach black men how to be financially responsible for their families. And, finally, we have a program called "The Untapped Workforce," where we're trying to take African American men between the ages of 18 to 35, and give them a new skill in technology, so they can become employed and productive citizens. This is a year-long initiative, and the walk just happens to be a culmination of what we have done all year.

Mr. Gregory (cont.): We now have a committee that meets once a month with 75 different organizations. It's very 'grass rootsy.' Director Bivens put something funny out on the internet the other day asking when we would be offering a senior citizen event. So, we will be offering an event to seniors, and they will be coming out. Right now, currently, we have over 500 passion teams signed up; we have about 100 churches signed up; we have every hospital system and managed care system; Columbus City Schools is involved; every fraternity is involved; lots of communities are involved. This is one example that Commissioner Boyce is talking about that if we work together, we can solve a problem. We are working together and are expecting a large crowd. We also have with us celebrity, Robert Richard. I don't know if many of you remember him, but he used to be on, what were you on?

Mr. Richard: Cousin Skeeter is my show, Coach Carter is my show, One on One is my show, a long list of stuff.

Mr. Gregory: So, he is here as our ambassador. We are now in 16 different cities across the country. We started here. The governor proclaims August as African American Male Wellness Month. We have been walking in every metropolitan city in the state of Ohio. Last week, we did a walk in Seattle, Washington for the first time. And so, they know that Columbus is on notice that they're coming after you. And, our last walk will be in Charlotte, North Carolina, where we will have Dr. Gus Parker, and they are really excited. So, we appreciate you, our funding, anything that you have given us, and for giving us the opportunity for being here this morning. We're looking forward to being here and we're going to give Director Bivens the Extra Mile Award on Thursday.

(Applause)

Mr. Gregory: And, at our reception, we will be honoring Mike Jackson for his work in the community, and we're going to give him the Valor Award, because we know he deserves it. And then, we will be honoring a number of minority corporations who have stepped up to participate in the walk. And, the final thing is, I don't know if you have all seen it, but we launched our shoot. DSW came last year as a member, and what they found out when people refunded their coupons, out of all of the events in the city of Columbus, the African American Male Wellness Walk redeemed the most coupons in their stores. As a result of that, they went to New Balance, and New Balance created a tennis shoe. I don't know if any of the guys have the shoe on, but inside the shoe

it says, "African American Male Wellness Initiative." We're doing a great job, are glad to be part of the county, and thank you for having us this morning. We want you to have a cup, we want you to have a hat, and we want you to wear a wrist band. So, thank you for having us.

President Brown: We have something for you too.

(Applause)

Commissioner Boyce: Before we make this presentation, Madam President, I would just like to say that I want to thank you [to Mr. Gregory] for your work. Because, really, wellness is about prevention of chronic disease. And when you have a segment of your population that is disproportionately affected by chronic disease, hypertension, diabetes, obesity, and so forth and so on, these are things that can be preventable. Here in Franklin County, we are invested in our employees in a similar way with wellness initiatives and all kinds of resources that I think in the big scheme of things, reduce health care costs, create a healthier community, and prevent chronic disease. So, I feel like you are on the front line, you're on the front line of doing a major, excellent job of really bringing about awareness, but really engaging people. I was at the walk last year – last year was the year it rained really badly – and nobody would go home. But, more importantly, it was a gathering and a convening for people to take time to get those wellness checks that we often just don't make time for during the year. The only reason I didn't get all of my stuff checked is because we're doing it at the county. We had already done it. That shows our progressiveness, Administrator, because I just did that test. I think you're doing an amazing job and I just look forward to the run, walk this year. Just for the record, I have to do two on that day. I know you've got medical services in case I can't make it.

(Laughter)

Commissioner Boyce: Again, thank you for what you do. Your team is absolutely amazing.

Commissioner O'Grady: We appreciate everything you guys are doing, there is no question. As most of you know, health care is of major importance in my life. This weekend also marks the 20th anniversary of a major health issue in my life, and so, I will be celebrating the 20th anniversary of my first open heart incident. Ever since, I have been talking about the need for people to see their doctors, listen to their doctor's advice, have your tests taken and your prescriptions filled. Sitting on this panel for the last number of years, I have been constantly trying to remind folks that all of these issues are important. The mouthpiece that you guys have, and the word that you're spreading, and the work that you're doing in the community, are the most important things we can be reminding people of on a daily basis. The work that you're doing is fantastic, and the word that you're spreading is unbelievable, and the way you're doing it with the numbers that you're getting it done with, is tremendous. Great work and we're proud.

Mr. Gregory: I just want to remind everyone that white people need to get tested too; this is for everybody.

Commissioner O'Grady: I will absolutely come out on Saturday morning and show my support, that's for certain. But, I don't think I will need to get any tests done.

President Brown: We'll see you on Saturday. If you want to come forward to the center, we will get your picture.

(A photo was taken and a resolution was presented to Mr. Gregory)

Approval of the minutes of the May 21, 2019 General Session, and the May 23, 2019 Briefing Session. Commissioner Boyce moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Commissioner O'Grady. The minutes were approved by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0551-19, authorizing a lease renewal of office space for the Clerk of Courts, East Auto Title Branch (\$1.00) (Clerk Of Courts), presented by Shawn Rieder, Director of Fiscal Services, Clerk of Courts.

Mr. Rieder: Good morning, Commissioners. Today's resolution is a lease renewal with the Ohio Department of Public Safety Bureau of Motor Vehicles. The Clerk's East Auto Title Branch occupies 2,830 square feet of office space at the State's Alum Creek facility. The existing lease originated back in 2012. The lease renewal will continue through June 30, 2021, at a cost of \$1.00. I will gladly answer any questions.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0551-19, seconded by Commissioner O'Grady. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0552-19, authorizing a contract with Hagerty Consulting, Inc. for a Coordinated Central Region Evacuation Plan (\$105,070.00) (Emergency Management Agency), presented by Mr. Jeff Young, Director, Emergency Management and Homeland Security.

Mr. Young: Good morning, Commissioners. Before you is a resolution authorizing a contract from Hagerty Consulting, Inc., for services associated with the creation of a central region mass evacuation plan. This project is funded through a state Homeland Security grant that provides both county-specific, as well as a regional level mass evacuation plan template, in the unlikely event of a large scale disaster, requiring evacuations. This project is similar to a recent project also undertaken by Hagerty in Cuyahoga County, in which they engaged local community partners to create a planning template. This common format or template for information assists when planning for incidents in the plans for multiple jurisdictions or multiple disciplines. This project is designed to follow much the same format as Cuyahoga County, but rather than a single county project, it is designed to address county-level information and lead into a regional planning document, benefiting the 15 counties in Homeland Security planning Region IV. It is also anticipated that this plan will follow lessons learned from other areas nationwide, and has the additional benefit

of addressing all populations with a variety of needs, so those needs are correctly identified and addressed immediately prior to being put into operation. Franklin County Homeland Security worked with Franklin County Purchasing to craft the associated Request for Proposal, and selecting Hagerty as the lowest and best bid. I'll gladly answer any questions and would request your approval of this resolution.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0552-19, seconded by Commissioner O'Grady. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0553-19, appointing Tiffany Wright to the Homeland Security Advisory Committee (Emergency Management Agency), presented by Mr. Jeff Young, Director, Emergency Management and Homeland Security.

Mr. Young: This resolution is to appoint Tiffany Wright to the Homeland Security Advisory Committee. The Homeland Security Advisory Committee serves as the advisory group for the Columbus urban area, focusing on meeting the goals and objectives of creating the comprehensive, integrated, regional approach to homeland security. The advisory committee was formed in 2003. While the federal government drastically reduced the federal funds to the Columbus urban area, this group continues to meet with each other, and work collaboratively to work with each other to meet the goals of creating safe, secure, and resilient communities. Ms. Wright is currently serving as the CEO for Hands on Central Ohio, and serves as a nonprofit representative to this committee. I'll gladly answer any questions and would request your approval of this resolution.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0553-19, seconded by Commissioner O'Grady. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0554-19, approving an amendment to the contract agreement with the Franklin County Probate Court for Adult Protective Services guardianship services (an increase of \$56,000.00) (\$171,000.00) (Job and Family Services), presented by Joy Bivens, Director, and Vivian Turner, Assistant Director, Workforce, Franklin County Department of Job & Family Services.

Ms. Turner: This resolution will approve an amendment to our contract with the Franklin County Probate Court, to fund guardianship services for elderly adults who have been abused, neglected or exploited. As you are aware, our agency is responsible for administering the Title XX Block Grant funds locally, via contracting for necessary services. This includes working with the Probate Court and the Public Guardianship Board to fund oversight and other protective services for elderly adults who require court-appointed guardians. The board serves adults ages 60 and up, who are referred to the court for adult protective services, by the Franklin County Office on Aging, as a result of abuse, neglect and exploitation. Under this contract, the court-appointed social workers have served approximately 45 referred seniors. The additional funding will allow the court-

appointed social workers to continue to provide direct assistance and make arrangements, when necessary, to ensure referred seniors receive the services they need, and are treated with the respect and dignity that they deserve, throughout the remainder of the contract period. Pending any questions, I ask for your approval.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0554-19, seconded by Commissioner O'Grady. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0555-19, approving four subaward agreements with Community Refugee and Immigration Services, Ethiopian Tewahedo Social Services, Jewish Family Services, and US Together, Inc. for Refugee Support Services (\$563,675.98) (Job and Family Services), presented by Joy Bivens, Director, and Vivian Turner, Assistant Director, Workforce, Franklin County Department of Job & Family Services.

Ms. Bivens: Commissioners, as you know, Franklin County Department of Job and Family Services receives a state-funded grant, a social services funding grant. The funding is intended to help eligible, new refugees, to address challenges and barriers as they relate to employment, such as language, education, and work skills. Over the past three years, Franklin County refugee social services' (RSS) collaborative partners have enrolled more than 1,600 refugees in the RSS program, with 70 percent, which is 1,120 of all enrollees obtaining employment, exceeding the state target of 53 percent. Today, Commissioners, we have with us representatives from CRIS, Jewish Family Services, US Together, and ETSS. We would ask that you allow them a brief opportunity to come and share the impact of these dollars.

President Brown: Absolutely. Would you like to introduce them, please?

Ms. Bivens: Yes. We have with us Angie Plummer, Executive Director, CRIS; Karen Mozenter, Executive Director, Jewish Family Services; Nadia Kasvin, Executive Director, US Together; and, Dr. Seleshi Asfaw, Executive Director, ETSS. Would they please come to the podium if they are in the room? And, I believe they have clients with them as well. Commissioners, as they come up, you know these dollars are very important to our community, as we are one of the few counties in the state that have a lot of our residents who are New Americans, and we want to make sure as we settle them, and being good partners and good residents, and good neighbors, we have resources available to assist them in navigating throughout the community.

Mr. Dhungana, Program Manager, Community Refugee and Immigration Services (CRIS): I lived in a refugee camp for 20 years before coming to the U.S. My executive director could not be here today. She is sorry for that, but she is caring for a sick family member, so she asked me to represent CRIS, and I am happy to do that. Thank you, Commissioners, for making Franklin County a place for us immigrants and refugees to call home. Providing us an opportunity to work here, and make contributions to the local economy and community. I'll share my personal story. We have a friend of mine, a client who we call a

customer, who is working in a distribution center. There are many who come with advanced skills, but can have a hard time. Murtadha (Al Shaikhil) who is behind me came to this country less than two years ago. We resettled him and his family, and he is going to share his experience and his contribution. I would also like to thank Franklin County, this office, so much because I was resettled by US Together.

Mr. Murtadha Al Shaikhil, Customer, Community Refugee and Immigration Services (CRIS): Good morning. I am originally from Iraq. I left my country in 2006, because of the civil war. I have been living in four wars. In 1991 and 2003, and civil war in 2006, the last war in Ukraine. I was living there in 2014. In 2006's civil war, we left Iraq and moved to Egypt. From Egypt, I decided to go and study in Ukraine, to study civil engineering. So, when I went there after two years in 2012, my family came to the United States, when I was in Ukraine. When I finished school in 2014, I decided to come to the United States. I applied twice and I got rejected. Then, I decided to start my career. I went to Dubai to work as a civil engineer. After two years, I got an email from the United State Embassy in Ukraine, telling me I have been approved to come to the United States, being reunited with my family. From Dubai, I had no opportunity or chance to get a visa back to Ukraine, so I had to go back to Iraq and then to Ukraine. So, when I moved to Ukraine in 2016, I had my first interview at the embassy. So, the consul asked me a couple of questions. One of them saw my passport and told me, "When did you come from?" I explained all of the story and he wrote something on my file and he handed it to me. I opened it up and it was the word, "rejected," requiring me to resubmit. One of the assistants came to me and said, "Okay, you can resubmit and you have to go for a background check." And, every refugee knows what a background is. It is either going to take you three months or 20 years. So, she told me, okay, it was okay and that it wasn't going to take me that much. So, I decided to come to the United States and wait for the background check. She told me it was okay and that it wouldn't take more than three months. Three months became two years. Because, at that time, I was undocumented in Ukraine. Then, in this two years, I had nothing to do. I decided that I was thinking that if I got approval to go to the United States, I wanted to be ready for this new life. My English language was maybe 10 percent of what I have now. So, I decided to read books. So, long story short, in January 2018, I came to the United States. But, my family didn't know I was coming, as it was a surprise for them. I didn't see them, I didn't meet them for six years. And, I made a vow that when I came to the United States, I had an opportunity or a chance to attend CRIS, Community Refugee Immigration Services classes. To be honest, no one encouraged me to go there. But, I believed in CRIS, I believe that they have something to give me. There is something that I can get from them. So, I attended the English classes there. I attended the employment classes there. There is lots of stuff that I got from them. I have been taught how to adapt to my community. I have been taught English classes. I have been taught lots of things. Because of CRIS, I got the ESL placement test at Columbus Community College, and I got the highest score there. Then, I started working a professional life. I started working in structural engineering, as a drafter. I then got a promotion, twice. Now, I am a project manager and a structural engineer designer for them.

(Applause)

Mr. Murtadha Al Shaikhil (cont.): Now, I got recertified as an engineer in my field. One certification with the city of Columbus. And, I took part in the New American Leadership Academy; I have one of my classmates here. What my goal is now is to have American people accept me. All people think that refugees are just working in warehouses. Refugees, like everybody have skills, they have knowledge, and sometimes, refugees think that they are just refugees. They think they don't have any chance, any opportunities. Refugees have skills, they have knowledge, and that's my message.

Ms. Mozenter, Executive Director, Jewish Family Services: I am the CEO of Jewish Family Services. Serving refugees has been our mission since we were founded 111 years ago. And, at that time, we were serving Jewish refugees who were making Columbus their home, and building community. Since that time, we have served survivors of Nazi persecution from Europe and the former Soviet Union, and continue to serve about 225 of them in Central Ohio. Since that time, we have also served refugees of every race, every religion from many, many countries and continue to do so. We are very, very grateful for the county's support in doing that work. I am not sure that you've been supporting us all 111 years, but nevertheless, it's been for a significant period of time. We deeply appreciate it. Commissioner Boyce, we deeply appreciate your support in creating the New American Advisory Council, and we appreciate being a part of that. We want to thank Director Bivens, Assistant Director Turner, and our program director extraordinaire, Tariq Mohamed, who has been a true partner in this work; along with our community partners CRIS, ETSS, and US Together.

Mr. Mohamed, Program Manager, Jewish Family Services: Thank you. Thank you to FCDJFS, thanks to our colleagues who work with us every day. I want to introduce, Martin. What you do, and the way you fund us, it really invites other refugees from other cities, and makes our communities stronger. I have seen countless Somalis, Nepalese, and Congolese get stronger and start their business and life in Franklin County. Martin, here, made it to us very, very recently and will you tell you his story of how he made it through Jewish Family Services and Franklin County.

Mr. Ndereyemungo, Customer, Jewish Family Services: Good morning. Thank you, I am Martin. I am a refugee from Uganda. My English is so, so. I know only French, so I will try it. I thank very much, Jewish Family Services. I thank so much, Franklin County for everything they have done for me. I've gotten a job through Jewish Family Services. I have gotten housing from Jewish Family Services. They have shown me what to do and how to be an American. I am trying now to learn English, as my second language. I thank so much Jewish Family Services.

Ms. Nadia Kasvin, Executive Director, US Together: Good morning, everybody. As a former refugee myself, I know the importance of providing continual services, beyond basic needs. And so this particular funding, refugee social services (RSS), allows us to do that; allows us to go beyond the survival services; allows us to help our clients find sustainable jobs. And so, I want to introduce our client, a refugee from Uganda, Shamim

Nabajja. She came here in 2017 and she got her first job in a warehouse. When we met her, we were able to provide individualized services to her. Through that, we were able to figure out her real talents, and we were able to figure out where she could go and what kind of job, what kind of training she needs to have a more sustainable job. So, she wanted to be a health worker. We helped to enroll her in a community health worker program. After 12 weeks, she graduated. She made great connections. She's now interviewing to find a job in this field. This will be a more sustainable job for her. And, she will have her own community and all of us. As a community health worker, she will be able to advocate for her clients and help control their social determinants of health; something that we talked about this morning. She will be able to use her talents to help people around her. I want to thank everybody for helping to make this program possible. I now want to introduce Shamim.

Ms. Shamim Nabajja, Customer, US Together: Hello. I am Shamim and I am from Uganda. I am 20 years old. I am very happy to be here. First of all, Franklin County has taught me so much. Franklin County has given me things to use, but they were only able to help me for three months. But, it was not enough. I am just single; I am just new here. I wanted to go back to school, but I never wanted to get a loan and I also had to pay for my house, where I live. So, I had to get a quick job so that I can live. When I was working, one of my friends from Uganda was also resettled here. He told me about US Together, and I asked him if there was an opportunity that they could help me go to school. He told me to speak with one of the case workers. The case worker called me and she was so friendly. She helped me so much. I told her I had finished my high school and I told her what I wanted to do. She told me about the community health worker program and asked if I could do it. I told her of course I can do it. She helped me to enroll in the program and they accepted me. I interviewed and did the course. I got my CPR certificate. I got my Celebrate One card. I also got a certificate from Ohio State for nursing. I am looking for a job right now as a community health worker. And maybe I will go back to school.

Mr. Seleshi Asfaw, Executive Director, Ethiopian Tewahedo Social Services (ETSS): Good morning. Thank you so much. Just to express my thank you for you all, and the refugee social services program impact to our agencies. There are several things I have witnessed with this grant. Number one, the impact for each and every individual that this program reaches in Franklin County. I have been a provider for this program since 2009. For the last ten years, my agency alone has enrolled about 5,000 refugees in Central Ohio. Once a refugee is employed and gets another job, they get one or two or three jobs. They pay taxes; they become home owners; they become business owners; and, the resources that they bring to this county and its impact is enormous. Thank you for what that is doing for us. The second impact I have seen from this refugee social services program is that it brings us together. It brings the agencies serving refugees together. Jewish Family Services, US Together, CRIS, and ETSS, we come together and under the leadership of our county director and my friend, Joy Bivens, and Vivian, and Suzanne, we've become kind of a club. We share best practices, we make a better decision, and we are working together. This is really one of the only service programs that brings us together. I see that impact. The second impact that I have seen through the refugee social services program, the corporate funding,

the City of Columbus, The Columbus Foundation, the United Way, to help us. Because there are other refugees that need help, we leverage that because of this program. This helps us to draw other funding sources to invest in our refugees and immigrants. The last point I will make, we placed about 250 employees in one company, alone. Refugees offer a grand opportunity. The day-to-day activities at ETSS are carried out by Suzanne, because as you know, the refugee number is really decreasing nowadays. We have very few refugees coming to Columbus or Franklin County. We shift our strategies to target our secondary market. People are coming from all different states. They love Columbus because of you. Thank you so much and I will share this with Suzanne.

Ms. Tatiana Bozhinovski, Site Coordinator, Ethiopian Tewahedo Social Services (ETSS): Good morning. I am an immigrant. Thirty-one and a half years ago, my family and I came, and Franklin County has been our home since then. I have been with ETSS for about seven years. But, I am here to tell you about not just one single success story. There are too many to share. Everyone who walks through our doors has a goal and has needs, and that's how we help them. As we were driving here this morning, I handed Dr. Seleshi a list of 18 people who came into our office yesterday to look for a job. All 18 of them are going through orientation today, and they are going to have a job. A third of them are ESS, as well. This is on top of the 250-plus, last quarter, who have gotten a job. Now, I want you to think about these almost 300 families that will bring bread to the table; who will be able to go out and take their kids school supplies shopping. They will be able to do everything that they have always wished they could do. This would be impossible if it wasn't for the help and we very much appreciate the help from the county. And, we ask that you continue to support us because they need us. I would like to add, and Dr. Seleshi touched on it, that the secondary immigrants that come. Just yesterday, families that came from New York state, from Georgia, from Arizona, and from Nevada – all in one day. And Texas. And, they all said, we love Columbus. Columbus is a beautiful city; Columbus is safe; and, it is so easy to find a friend and someone to help. So, I hope these individuals will stay and make Columbus their home for the rest of their lives. Thank you.

Commissioner O'Grady: Thank you to everybody. These are fantastic stories. The thing that is really striking is that you each help refugees in their job search. The issue that Nadia brought up has stuck with me since we were doing our steering committee work, during our poverty work over the last year. I remember you saying it then, and you said it again today. Helping folks find the initial job is important because it helps them to get on their feet and become stable. It's then helping them from there find that sustainable job. And your example of Shamim, this morning, where you get the job in the warehouse which helps you to become stable. But then, to be able to go from there, to really find and go find the sustainable job that builds a life, that builds a career, and that helps them to become real members of society. And, Dr. Seleshi talking about the 5,000 immigrants that he has helped over the ten years of his career that I've been working with him, this is an economic driver in Central Ohio. When you look at the long term investment that we've made, this is an economic driver for Central Ohio. Thank you for all of the work that you do, and all of the lives that you've impacted, and all of the change that you make.

President Brown: We are a better community because we are open and welcoming. And, for that I am very grateful to all of you. Thank you.

Ms. Bivens: If there are no further questions, we'd ask for your approval of this resolution.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0555-19, seconded by Commissioner O'Grady. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0556-19, approving a subaward agreement with St. Vincent Family Centers to support transportation services for Medicaid eligible children participating in day treatment programs (\$600,000.00) (Job and Family Services), presented by Joy Bivens, Director, and Vivian Turner, Assistant Director, Workforce, Franklin County Department of Job & Family Services.

Ms. Turner: This resolution will approve subaward agreements with St. Vincent family Centers, for Medicaid eligible children, ages 3 to 12 years old, with significant mental and behavioral health needs. St. Vincent's day treatment provides mental and behavioral health counseling, for an average of six to nine months, to ensure that children are prepared to return to school ready to learn. Under this agreement, St. Vincent will treat approximately 150 to 175 children, utilizing pass-through funds from the Ohio Department of Medicaid to FCDJFS, to support non-emergency medical transportation. Pending any questions, I ask for your approval.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0556-19, seconded by Commissioner O'Grady. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Ms. Bivens: Thank you, Commissioners. I would just like to add that Job & Family Services has 150 people walking on Saturday. We are looking for more people to walk, because another levy agency has challenged us. And, when Jim Schimmer asks for you to meet him on the playground, you've got to go. So, we are looking for more walkers. Thank you.

Resolution No. 0557-19, to adjust the boundaries of Upper Arlington Township, thereby making them conform to the boundaries of the City of Upper Arlington Case #ANX-18-19 (Economic Development and Planning), presented by Jenny Snapp, Assistant Director, and Jamie Edwards, Business Services Officer, Economic Development and Planning.

Ms. Snapp: We have ten resolutions to walk you through, so let's get started. This resolution is to consider a boundary change petition to adjust the boundary lines of Upper Arlington Township to conform to the boundaries of the City of Upper Arlington. This petition was filed by the City of Upper Arlington pursuant to Ordinance No. 48-2019, on June 24, 2019, authorizing a petition to the Board of County Commissioners, requesting that the boundary lines of Upper Arlington Township be changed to make them conform to the corporate limits of the City of Upper Arlington for the Clinton Township area included in the annexation. The area to be adjusted includes a parcel of land annexed to the City of

Upper Arlington from Clinton Township and approved on October 31, 2018 by the Franklin County Board of Commissioners as a Regular Annexation known as ANX-22-18. The property consists of 0.610 acres, at 2376 North Star Road. The property is located west and east of North Star Road, south of West Lane Avenue, west of Carmack Road, and north of Kinnear Road. The City of Upper Arlington accepted the annexation by Ordinance No. 39-2019 on June 3, 2019. The petition has been filed in accordance with Section 503.07 of the Ohio Revised Code. Pending any questions, staff request your approval of this petition. And, I just want to a couple of things: the ‘Paper Township’ in this particular instance is Upper Arlington Township. At Briefing, there was a question regarding Upper Arlington Township. I was able to find documentation with the help of the Main Library. There was a very helpful librarian in the Local History and Genealogy section. I want to mention him by name, because I think it is important for me to do so. Mr. Nick Taggard, who did find minutes from the 1940s that Upper Arlington Township was established by the City of Upper Arlington to match the boundaries of the City of Upper Arlington, and I know Commissioner Brown had a question about that at Briefing. And, I was able to establish that indeed, Upper Arlington Township was formed in the 1940s.

Commissioner O’Grady: I knew that we had a Montgomery Township which was a ‘Paper Township,’ but I did not know we had a second ‘Paper Township.’ Interesting.

President Brown: Thank you for finding that out.

Ms. Snapp: You’re welcome.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0557-19, seconded by Commissioner O’Grady. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0558-19, authorizing the Board of Franklin County Commissioners to sign the attached “Discharge of MORTGAGE” instrument for Nadine K. Lewis & John D. Partlow at 7280 Marlan Avenue, Reynoldsburg, Ohio 43068 (Economic Development and Planning), presented by Jenny Snapp, Assistant Director, and Jamie Edwards, Business Services Officer, Economic Development and Planning.

Ms. Edwards: Good morning, Commissioners. Nadine Lewis and John Partlow received \$3,525 in November of 2002. All obligations of the housing program have been fulfilled and the mortgage should be discharged. The taxes are paid and current. Pending any questions, I request your approval.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0558-19, seconded by Commissioner O’Grady. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0559-19, authorizing the Board of Franklin County Commissioners to sign the attached “Discharge of MORTGAGE” instrument for Terry L. Young at 425 Darby Court, Galloway Ohio 43119 (Economic Development and Planning), presented by Jenny Snapp,

Assistant Director, and Jamie Edwards, Business Services Officer, Economic Development and Planning.

Ms. Edwards: Terry Young received \$15,000 in November of 2011. The housing obligations of the program have been fulfilled and the mortgage should be discharged. The taxes are paid and current. Pending any questions, I request your approval.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0559-19, seconded by Commissioner O'Grady. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0560-19, authorizing the Board of Franklin County Commissioners to sign the attached "Discharge of MORTGAGE" instrument for Phyllis Ratliff at 1596 Eastfield Drive, Columbus OH 43223 (Economic Development and Planning), presented by Jenny Snapp, Assistant Director, and Jamie Edwards, Business Services Officer, Economic Development and Planning.

Ms. Edwards: Phyllis Ann Ratliff received \$15,000 in June of 2007. All obligations of the housing program have been fulfilled, and the mortgage should be discharged. The taxes are paid and current. Pending any questions, I request your approval.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0560-19, seconded by Commissioner O'Grady. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0561-19, authorizing the Board of Franklin County Commissioners to sign the attached "Discharge of MORTGAGE" instrument for Patricia Haughn at 6706 London Groveport Rd., Grove City OH, 43123 (Economic Development and Planning), presented by Jenny Snapp, Assistant Director, and Jamie Edwards, Business Services Officer, Economic Development and Planning.

Ms. Edwards: Patricia Haughn received \$2,298 in March of 2006. All obligations of the housing program have been fulfilled, and the mortgage should be discharged. The taxes are paid and current. Pending any questions, I request your approval.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0561-19, seconded by Commissioner O'Grady. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0562-19, authorizing the Board of Franklin County Commissioners to sign the attached "Discharge of MORTGAGE" instrument for Randy Spencer 1090 Columbus St., Columbus Ohio 43216 (Economic Development and Planning), presented by Jenny Snapp, Assistant Director, and Jamie Edwards, Business Services Officer, Economic Development and Planning.

Ms. Edwards: Randy Spencer received \$5,512.50 in November of 2011. All obligations of the housing program have been fulfilled, and the mortgage should be discharged. The taxes are paid and current. Pending any questions, I request your approval.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0562-19, seconded by Commissioner O'Grady. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0563-19, authorizing the Board of Franklin County Commissioners to sign the attached "Discharge of MORTGAGE" instrument for Spence Carter at 1622 Peabody Ave Columbus, Ohio 43223 (Economic Development and Planning), presented by Jenny Snapp, Assistant Director, and Jamie Edwards, Business Services Officer, Economic Development and Planning.

Ms. Edwards: Spence Carter received \$3,726 in December of 2006. All obligations of the housing program have been fulfilled, and the mortgage should be discharged. The taxes are paid and current. Pending any questions, I request your approval.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0563-19, seconded by Commissioner O'Grady. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0564-19, authorizing the Board of Franklin County Commissioners to sign the attached "Discharge of MORTGAGE" instrument for Wilma J. Adams at 4089 Casa Blvd., Grove City, Ohio 43123 (Economic Development and Planning), presented by Jenny Snapp, Assistant Director, and Jamie Edwards, Business Services Officer, Economic Development and Planning.

Ms. Edwards: Wilma Adams received \$15,000 in June of 2006. All obligations of the housing program have been fulfilled, and the mortgage should be discharged. The taxes are paid and current. Pending any questions, I request your approval.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0564-19, seconded by Commissioner O'Grady. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0565-19, authorizing the Board of Franklin County Commissioners to sign the attached "Discharge of MORTGAGE" instrument for Ruth Stelzer at 3816 Armuth Ave., Columbus, Ohio 43219 (Economic Development and Planning), presented by Jenny Snapp, Assistant Director, and Jamie Edwards, Business Services Officer, Economic Development and Planning.

Ms. Edwards: Ruth Stelzer received \$1,789 in October of 2006. All obligations of the housing program have been fulfilled, and the mortgage should be discharged. The taxes are paid and current. Pending any questions, I request your approval.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0565-19, seconded by Commissioner O'Grady. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0566-19, authorizing the Board of Franklin County Commissioners to sign the attached "Discharge of MORTGAGE" instrument for Betty A. Brown at 1634 Ransburg Avenue Columbus, Ohio 43223 (Economic Development and Planning), presented by Jenny Snapp, Assistant Director, and Jamie Edwards, Business Services Officer, Economic Development and Planning.

Ms. Edwards: Betty Brown received \$15,000 in September of 2005. All obligations of the housing program have been fulfilled, and the mortgage should be discharged. The taxes are paid and current. Pending any questions, I request your approval.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0566-19, seconded by Commissioner O'Grady. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0567-19, authorizing a one-year contract with Heart of Ohio Family Health Center to provide school-based health care to under and uninsured Franklin County residents with increased access to quality healthcare (\$250,000.00) (Community Partnerships), presented by Zak Talarek, Director, Office of Management & Budget (on behalf of Dayna McCrary, Administrator, Community Partnerships).

Mr. Talarek: This first resolution, it's exciting to bring the first Catalyst Grant before you. This contract in the amount of \$250,000 will be used by Heart of Ohio Family Health Centers, to open a school-based health center in Whitehall. With us is Dr. Buhari Mohammad, Chief Executive Officer for Heart of Ohio, to talk a little bit about the program.

Dr. Buhari, CEO, Heart of Ohio Family Health Centers: Good morning, to all. I am glad to be here this morning to testify in support of this resolution. You provided a highly competitive opportunity to all service entities in Franklin County. Commissioners, with your noble work you support and lift up all Franklin County residents, to ensure that every resident's needs are met, on a fundamental social, wellness, and environmental level. Because of you, Heart of Ohio Family Health Center will be able to start a school-based health care program, in collaboration with Whitehall City Schools, to provide a school-based health worker. We believe in our children and our youth, so by providing this school-based health center, this is going to impact our children in a fundamental way. With the counties and the areas that have provided this school-based health center, statistics show a lot of improvement in our outcomes. Providing this school-based health center will provide access, to reduce the disparities of accessing care. It will also assist with chronic absenteeism, and enhance the improvement of learning outcomes. We will also address mental health; be coaching on healthy eating; and, active living. Teen pregnancy education is another area that we will be working to address. Substance use disorder prevention, asthma and other chronic diseases, immunization, and issues of social and mental health

issues also. What I just mentioned, is in line with other communities that have implemented school-based health care. Chronic absenteeism, due to illness for example, this may lead to decreased learning opportunities, and increase the rate of dropping out of school. If a young learner's health issue could be addressed sooner, this could allow them to return to the classroom sooner. According to Superintendent Brian Hamler (Whitehall City Schools Superintendent), Whitehall School's enrollment has increased by 555 students. That is the highest increase, a rate of 24 percent, in the state. Heart of Ohio Family Health Centers is a federally qualified health center, and due to our 'whole person' approach in health care services, we are uniquely positioned to offer school-based health care to the students of the Whitehall City Schools district. Pending any questions, I would respectfully request the approval of this resolution, and as always, we thank you for what you do in the community.

Commissioner Boyce: I just want to ensure I understand. This is the first Catalyst Grant, and this will help to establish the relationship with Whitehall City Schools, is that correct?

Mr. Talarek: This is the first of our 13 Catalyst Grant awards that were identified this year, through our process during the spring. The county has had a partnership with Heart of Ohio for a number of years, but this is a separate, new and innovative program to bring the school-based health clinic to Whitehall City Schools.

Commissioner Boyce: That's what I want to zero in on my question. So, this is a new clinic, and so I just want to make sure that there is a long term strategy in place for the funding, because it is my understanding is that Catalyst Grants are just that, to start up these initiatives. Funding long term would be a part of the strategy.

Dr. Buhari: Commissioner, the health system has to be sustainable, so we are looking at the student and we are looking at the community, for a model of sustainability. We anticipate a lot of Medicaid, so we will be billing for the services, and that is sustainable effect of the program. So, this is the start-up, and then we have to sustain our school-based model. We do not want to use a model that when the school is closed, we are closed; when there is a weather issue, you don't go. In working with Superintendent Hamler, we want unfettered access to the school. We want to operate for 12 months, just like a business. There is a long term sustainability that is built into the model.

Commissioner Boyce: The model is fantastic. The model of a school being the center of strength for any neighborhood is the right strategy and the right approach. But, what I was getting at was not any shortcoming of the presentation. As Commissioners, we often have to project beyond this project. At some point, we will have to shift funding to something else, and what I don't want is for the program to come to an end because we had to shift funding. I want to ensure that while we are seeding this, and I hope we are doing it the right way, that it's sustainable beyond our funding, because this isn't permanent. We need to do more models just like this, where there is partnership and an ability to sustain it more fully. The model is great and I have seen it work in other places. I just want to ensure that it is sustainable in a long term funding capacity.

Dr. Buhari: We have Superintendent Hamler's willingness and enthusiasm and those are good things. You have to have a willingness from a health system to want to do that, and a willingness from the Superintendent who wants to provide that. Those are the things that will support this effort.

Commissioner Boyce: That's great.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0567-19, seconded by Commissioner O'Grady. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0568-19, authorizing the County Administrator to enter into an agreement with the Ohio State University College of Social Work to host student interns for practicum experience (Community Partnerships), presented by Zak Talarek, Director, Office of Management & Budget (on behalf of Dayna McCrary, Administrator, Community Partnerships).

Mr. Talarek: Commissioners, The Ohio State University has established its practicum requirement as part of its degree from the College of Social Work. Practicum experience is intended to develop qualified social workers for potential employee selection. The hope is that we will have the first student in January. As part of this agreement there is no cost to the county. I believe this is a great benefit to not just the agencies under the Board of Commissioners, but to all of the agencies throughout the county, such as our levy partners, who like them to have that wide experience, so we will definitely be working with our partner agencies on this.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0568-19, seconded by Commissioner O'Grady. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0569-19, authorizing the County Administrator to enter into an agreement with the United Way of Central Ohio for the purchase of grant management software (\$5,760.00) (Community Partnerships), presented by Zak Talarek, Director, Office of Management & Budget (on behalf of Dayna McCrary, Administrator, Community Partnerships).

Mr. Talarek: The final resolution under Community Partnerships, is a contract with United Way to be able to use their EC Impact Grant Management System. This would authorize a sub-license for us to be able to receive applications for upcoming community partnership applications, as well as to receive reporting. I know that the City of Columbus also used this system, and I think longer term, looking at other county agencies to look at grants, to leverage this to get outcomes and identify funding from the different sources, to identify a comprehensive, consistent level of outcomes, not only across the county but with the City of Columbus and the United Way. Pending any questions, we'd ask for your approval of this resolution.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0569-19, seconded by Commissioner O'Grady. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0570-19, authorizing sub grant awards and contracts for services to provide law enforcement and crime reduction initiatives under the FY 2018 Justice Assistance Grant (\$285,659.00) (Justice Policy and Programs), presented by Michael Daniels, Director, Justice Policy & Programs.

Mr. Daniels: Good morning, Commissioners. We have already asked for and you have granted your acceptance of the fiscal year 2018 BYRNE Justice Assistance Grant funding, in the amount of approximately \$483,000. This is our first set of distributing those dollars to the Franklin County Sheriff's Office, the City of Whitehall, and the City of Columbus. You'll notice that the total award to the Franklin County Sheriff's Office is a little lighter than you would normally expect to see it; you would normally expect to see it at the same size as the City of Columbus. That's because the Sheriff's Office is putting \$54,000 of that money toward the salary and support of the Medically Assisted Treatment Coordinator that's inside the jail, and we are taking the rest of it from other grant funding. So, we are splitting that money and it doesn't get granted to them, it stays within our budget and then directly to the employee. Pending any questions, we'd ask for your approval.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0570-19, seconded by Commissioner O'Grady. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0571-19, authorizing appropriation adjustments for various maintenance and construction projects (Public Facilities Management), presented by Darla Reardon, Director, and Lauren Stull, Assistant Director and Chief Financial Officer, Public Facilities Management.

Ms. Stull: Good morning, Commissioners. This resolution is a supplemental appropriation to support various maintenance and construction projects managed by PFM, for the remainder of 2019, such as minor office reconfigurations at EMA and Human Resources, concrete work, maintenance and upgrades to building systems, and a modification to lease space and parking lot replacement at the Board of Elections building. This request also authorizes appropriation adjustments to the Corrections Center Bond Fund, to reconcile appropriations with anticipated expenses, associated with contracts already awarded for the new corrections center. Last, there is also a transfer of appropriations in order to reallocate existing budget dollars. We appreciate OMB's guidance and assistance with this request. Pending any questions, this agency requests your approval of this resolution.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0571-19, seconded by Commissioner O'Grady. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0572-19, authorizing a Contract Extension with Republic Services of Ohio Hauling LLC for the collection, transportation and delivery for disposal/processing of Refuse and Recyclable Materials generated at and collected from Franklin County facilities (\$230,000.00) (Public Facilities Management), presented by Darla Reardon, Director, and Lauren Stull, Assistant Director and Chief Financial Officer, Public Facilities Management.

Ms. Stull: This resolution authorizes a one-year extension with Republic Services of Ohio Hauling, LLC, a local firm, for the collection, transportation, and delivery for the disposal and, or processing of refuse and recyclable materials, generated at, and collected from Franklin County facilities. We have been satisfied with the services provided by Republic Services for four years. The resolution authorizes the final one-year option to extend. This is not to exceed the contract, because the cost is determined by the quantity of the actual pick-ups. Pending any questions, we request your approval of the contract extension.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0572-19, seconded by Commissioner O'Grady. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0573-19, authorizing a Contract with The Huntington National Bank, N.A. for operation of Automated Teller Machines in the Franklin County Government Center (Public Facilities Management), presented by Darla Reardon, Director, and Lauren Stull, Assistant Director and Chief Financial Officer, Public Facilities Management.

Ms. Stull: This is the first of two companion resolutions to provide ATMs for convenient use for our downtown government center, for building residents and visitors. The first contract allows for continued placement and maintenance of an ATM, by the Huntington National Bank, located at the Lobby Level in the pavilion. This is a two-year contract with optional extensions, and the ATM is provided at no cost to the county. Pending any questions, PFM requests your approval of this agreement.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0573-19, seconded by Commissioner O'Grady. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0574-19, authorizing a Contract with CME Federal Credit Union for operation of Automated Teller Machines in the Franklin County Government Center (Public Facilities Management), presented by Darla Reardon, Director, and Lauren Stull, Assistant Director and Chief Financial Officer, Public Facilities Management.

Ms. Stull: This companion resolution allows for continued maintenance of an ATM by CME Federal Credit Union, located on the 16th floor of this tower. This is also a two-year contract with the option for additional extensions, and the ATM is provided at no cost to the county, as well. Pending any questions, PFM requests your approval of this agreement.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0574-19, seconded by Commissioner O'Grady. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0575-19, authorizing a Contribution Agreement to the Capital Crossroads Special Improvement District of Columbus, Inc. (\$83,530.00) (Public Facilities Management), presented

by Darla Reardon, Director, and Lauren Stull, Assistant Director and Chief Financial Officer, Public Facilities Management.

Ms. Reardon: Next, we have two companion resolutions for your consideration, each asking for your continued support of the efforts of our partners, in special improvement districts or SIDS. The county has downtown properties located within the boundaries of the Capital Crossroads Special Improvement District and the Discovery Special Improvement District. Our government center buildings are located in the Capital Crossroads District, and Memorial Hall on Broad Street is located in the Discovery District. Our partners in the SIDS work to improve the safety and overall aesthetics in these areas. This morning with us is Cass Freeland, Office Administrator, Special Projects, SIDS, who will speak briefly about their efforts. Pending any questions, we request your approval of this action.

Mr. Cass Freeland, Office Administrator, Special Projects, SIDS: Good morning. In 2018, Capital Crossroads and Discovery SIDS worked to maintain a clean and safe environment for downtown students, residents, employees, and visitors. Highlights of our year include providing 48,000 hours of safety services; 1,500 quality of life issues; 14,000 hours of cleaning services; removing nearly 2,000 graffiti tags from or hand bills downtown; installing and maintaining various landscaping projects in the public realm; providing nearly 3,700 hours of outreach services to people experiencing homelessness downtown, including assisting 1,000 people at the open shelter and Main Library downtown; and, assisting 127 people moving off the streets into shelters or permanent housing. In addition to cleaning and safety services, SIDS operate the Pearl Market, Farmers and Vendors Market in Pearl Alley on Vine and Gay Streets, from May through October in downtown. Thanks to support from Franklin County, we've been able to distribute over \$8,000 worth of produce perks and over \$4,000 worth of SNAP benefits into the local economy. We're also grateful for your partnership. Franklin County's financial contribution is helpful, but also, the supportive staff at Franklin County Justice Policy & Programs, Homeland Security and Regional Communication, Facilities Management, and the Sheriff's Office are invaluable to us. I'd be happy to answer any questions.

Commissioner O'Grady: How are things at the market since it was moved off of the Statehouse lawn?

Ms. Freeland: Vendors have told us that things are much better, because people were just not crossing the street to shop. We continue to look at different strategies to encourage shoppers to our famers' market.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0575-19, seconded by Commissioner O'Grady. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0576-19, authorizing a Contribution Agreement to the Discovery Special Improvement District of Columbus, Inc. (\$19,874.00) (Public Facilities Management), presented

by Darla Reardon, Director, and Lauren Stull, Assistant Director and Chief Financial Officer, Public Facilities Management.

Ms. Reardon: This resolution is the companion agreement for the Discovery SID and Memorial Hall is located within that district. I would just like to add that the SID staff have been great ambassadors to the city, and have been longtime partners of the county. Pending any questions, PFM requests your approval of this action.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0576-19, seconded by Commissioner O'Grady. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0577-19, authorizing a contract with Clemans, Nelson and Associates, Inc. for Consulting Services for the Franklin County Board of Commissioners (\$22,000.00) (Human Resources), presented by Sue Hamilton, Assistant Director, Human Resources.

Ms. Hamilton: Good morning, Commissioners. For your consideration is a renewal contract with Clemans, Nelson to provide human resource consulting services. We use them for job audits, trainings, and labor relations services. Pending any questions you may have, I respectfully request your approval.

Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0577-19, seconded by Commissioner O'Grady. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0578-19, approving purchases for various Franklin County agencies (\$2,834,899.50) (Purchasing), presented by Megan Perry-Balonier, Director, Purchasing.

Ms. Perry-Balonier: Good morning, Commissioners. This resolution seeks approval of 107 purchase orders (POs), for which the County Auditor has pre-certified available funding. This resolution includes 25 eligible POs, totaling approximately \$107,000. These are POs that are for goods and services, and have a higher likelihood of participation, by small and emerging business enterprises (SEBEs). Of these POs, 11 were awarded to SEBEs, totaling \$84,207.58. This is forty-four percent of the eligible PO volume, and 79 percent of the eligible PO dollar value. Pending any questions, I recommend approval of this resolution.

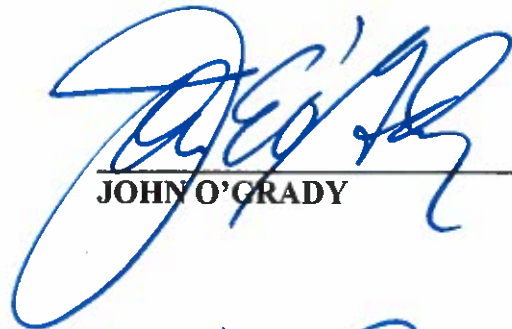
Commissioner Boyce moved to approve Resolution 0578-19, seconded by Commissioner O'Grady. The Resolution was unanimously adopted by roll call vote.

With no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 10:43 A.M.

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These minutes are a summary of the Commissioners' meeting of August 6, 2019.


Marilyn Brown
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