

FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES OF GENERAL SESSION

February 4, 2020

The Franklin County Board of Commissioners convened in the Commissioners Hearing Room at 9:00 A.M. on Tuesday, February 4, 2020.

Present were: John O'Grady, President
Marilyn Brown, Commissioner

Also present on the dais were Harold Anderson, Assistant Prosecuting Attorney, Prosecuting Attorney's Office; Zachary Talarek, Director, Office of Management & Budget; Kenneth N. Wilson, County Administrator; Erik Janas, Deputy County Administrator; Keena Smith, Deputy County Administrator; and, Dean M. Hindenlang, Clerk to the Board of Commissioners.

President O'Grady called the meeting to order at 9:02 A.M.

Commissioner Brown moved for the approval of the minutes of the September 10 and September 17, 2019 General Sessions; the January 28, 2020 General Session; and, the January 30, 2020 Briefing Session, seconded by President O'Grady. The minutes were approved by roll call vote.

President O'Grady: This morning, we have a Public Hearing. Can the Clerk please read the Public Hearing into the record?

PUBLIC HEARING: Resolution regarding the plan approval for the improvement of Alum Creek Drive at Rohr Road, Hamilton Township and Madison Township, Franklin County, Ohio (Engineer).

President O'Grady: We will open up the Public Hearing for this resolution. Is there anyone here that would like to speak on this Public Hearing? Seeing none, Mr. Robertson, if you'd like to brief the Public Hearing, please do so.

Mr. Robertson, Engineer, Engineer's Office: Good morning, Commissioners. This project is in the southeast part of Franklin County. It is a cooperative project that includes not only Franklin County, but also the City of Columbus, Hamilton Township, Madison Township, and is the Franklin County Improvement District's first project. I am quite proud of that. It received funding from ODOT Jobs & Commerce. At this particular hearing, a subsequent resolution will ask for the Commissioners to review and sign the plans, and that will allow us to move forward and schedule the project for bid opening and construction.

President O'Grady: I will now close the Public Hearing and have the Clerk read the resolution into the record.

Resolution No. 0061-20, plans approved for the improvement of Alum Creek Drive at Rohr Road, Hamilton Township and Madison Township, Franklin County, Ohio (Engineer), presented by Cornell Robertson, Engineer, Engineer's Office.

No comments were made.

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0061-20, seconded by President O'Grady. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0062-20, awarding contract and approving contract bond to J & J Schlaegel, Inc., for the Kahler Tile Replacement Drainage Improvement Plan (\$573,831.83) (Drainage Engineer), presented by Cornell Robertson, Engineer, Drainage Engineer's Office.

Mr. Robertson: Commissioners, as stated, this is a construction contract award with J & J Schlaegel. We had a competitive bid on January 7 [2020]. We had five bidders and J & J Schlaegel had the lowest and best bid. This project is in the northeast part of Franklin County, in Blendon Township and utilizes the ditch petition process.

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0062-20, seconded by President O'Grady. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

President O'Grady: Will that end the actions that we need to take on that ditch?

Mr. Robertson: Yes. With this resolution we will move right into construction and will administer the construction inspection, with the workforce from the Franklin County Engineer's Office.

Resolution No. 0063-20, awarding contract and approving contract bond to Wheeler Lumber, LLC., for the Hayden Run Central Ohio Greenway Trail Improvements - Material Prefabrication Purchase (\$57,500.00) (Engineer), presented by Cornell Robertson, Engineer, Drainage Engineer's Office.

Mr. Robertson: This resolution is for a prefabrication contract award with Wheeler Lumber Company. We had a competitive bid on January 7 [2020]. There were two bidders and Wheeler Lumber had the lowest and best bid. Again, this project is in the northwest part of Franklin County. It is a cooperative project with the county, City of Columbus, City of Hilliard, and ODOT. It is to complete a shared use path, along the north side of Hayden Run Road, under I-270, over Hayden Run; a complicated project.

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0063-20, seconded by President O'Grady. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0064-20, authorizing the Franklin County Engineer to enter into a contract modification with LJB, Inc. for the Cleveland Avenue at Innis Road Improvement project, Clinton Township, Franklin County, Ohio, an increase of (\$18,260.00) for a revised contract amount of \$65,270.00 (\$65,270.00) (Engineer), presented by Cornell Robertson, Engineer, Drainage Engineer's Office.

Mr. Robertson: Commissioners, as stated, this resolution is for a design contract modification, with LJB, seeking further help, studying the intersections of Cleveland Avenue at Innis, as well as Cleveland Avenue at Huey Road. This intersections are in the northeast part of Franklin County in Clinton Township.

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0064-20, seconded by President O'Grady. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0065-20, preliminary allocation and final encumbrance of County Motor Vehicle License Fee (\$5) Funds for the City of Grove City (\$600,000.00) (Engineer), presented by Cornell Robertson, Engineer, Drainage Engineer's Office.

Mr. Robertson: This is a \$5.00 fund resolution, for the City of Grove City, to improve Borror Road, from Quail Creek Boulevard, East to [S.R.] 104. This is also a cooperative project that includes Franklin County, Gove City, Jackson Township, OPWC, and Franklin County's Transportation Improvement District.

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0065-20, seconded by President O'Grady. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0066-20, authorizing a contract with 3SG Plus, LLC for Document Conversion and Migration Services (\$21,585.80) (Auditor), presented by Michael Stinziano, Auditor, Auditor's Office.

Mr. Stinziano: Good morning, President O'Grady and Commissioner Brown. It is my honor to come forward with this resolution, regarding a contract with 3SG Plus. As you know, our office contracts with professional mass appraisers, to annually maintain the most current data for new construction demolition, for each parcel of land throughout the county. The data creates an update of the property record card, and so we use this service capture and maintain a backup of the property record cards, as well as convert the records into a searchable database. We ask for your support of the resolution.

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0066-20, seconded by President O'Grady. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0067-20, authorizing the assignment and assumption agreement of the Community Reinvestment Area Agreement between Franklin County, DRCS, LLC and the Columbus Regional Airport Authority (Economic Development and Planning), presented by Jenny Snapp, Assistant Director, and Josh Roth, Senior Program Coordinator, Economic Development and Planning.

Ms. Snapp: Good morning, Commissioners. We have two resolutions to take you through and Josh is going to review the first one.

Mr. Roth: Good morning, Commissioners. The purpose of this resolution is to facilitate the development of a 357,000 square foot industrial warehouse facility, in the Canal/Vause Community Reinvestment Area. What this does is passes through the responsibilities and obligations, from the original agreement, which is with the Columbus Regional Airport Authority and the development team, to a subsidiary, which is DRCS 1556, LLC. So, this will be the first warehouse on the Rail Campus on Rail Course South, which is a new road. This is directly south of the brand new Macy's facility. Pending any questions, we would ask for your approval.

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0067-20, seconded by President O'Grady. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0068-20, authorizing a Contract and Agreement with the City of Columbus Building and Zoning Services (BZS) Department for Residential Building Services (Not to exceed \$76,087.50) (\$76,087.50) (Economic Development and Planning), presented by Jenny Snapp, Assistant Director, and Josh Roth, Senior Program Coordinator, Economic Development and Planning.

Ms. Snapp: This resolution is to enter into a contract and agreement with the City of Columbus Department of Building and Zoning Services, for residential building services, in the amount of \$76,087.50. If you remember correctly, as part of the 2020 budget process, you actually approved a fulltime position for Economic Development and Planning, for a residential building official. As part of this process, EDP plans to go through a number of improvements to our customer service and building departments. And, part of that is to hire a fulltime residential building official. This position is required by law. As part of the process, we did inform our current consultant position. If you remember correctly, he has been with the county for a number of years. So, he did put in his notice as part of that, so again, because we are required by law to have the position in place within our department, that left us with a vacancy. So, we have decided to move forward to contract with the City of Columbus, to provide those services in the transition period. Our hope is to not utilize that position with Columbus for more than a few months, but we did put in place a six month contract with Columbus. However, if we choose to get out of that contract sooner, this contract allows for us to do that. We did work with Harold [Anderson] in the Prosecutor's Office, very closely, and Megan [Perry-Balonier]. I want to thank both of

them for assisting us with this process. As part of the contract with Columbus, they are going to help us with a number of things. First and foremost, to perform all of the requirements through the State of Ohio Building Code, as well as to give us some recommendations on customer service improvements. I think we're excited about that. They have also agreed to help us with the recruitment of the position, which we know could be a little bit tedious, given the shortage of those positions in Central Ohio. So, again, this is part of what we're going through, just to get us to where we should be, so if you don't have any questions, I would request your approval.

Commissioner Brown: Jenny, I wasn't here on Thursday. Did you talk at all about the recruitment that the city is going to help with, and how you'll post the position, and where you'll be posting it?

Ms. Snapp: The draft [position description] is with Human Resources, and I think that will go up shortly on GovernmentJobs[.com], and we hope to utilize Columbus. They have a number of resources that they use for their recruitment. So, they do a mass mailing to reach out to those positions, because they actually target a number of professional engineers (P.E.s), when they do their own recruitment, so they have a lot of resources that they utilize through their Human Resources Department, to actually outreach to specific professional development organizations, and resources, to try to get some of those people in.

Commissioner Brown: This is good. This seems like a good approach for the short term. So, I am glad that Columbus is willing to do this.

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0068-20, seconded by President O'Grady. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0069-20, authorizing a settlement to Mathew Ray for a disputed vehicle damage claim due to an auto accident involving a Sanitary Engineers Office employee (\$800.00) (Sanitary Engineers), presented by Ryan Stowe, Project Engineer, Sanitary Engineers.

Mr. Stowe: Good morning, Commissioners. The Sanitary Engineer is offering a settlement with Matthew Ray for disputed vehicle damage claim, due to an auto accident, which involved an employee of the Sanitary Engineers' Office. On September 2, 2019, Mr. Ray's unoccupied vehicle was struck and sustained damage; no injuries were reported. Mr. Ray has agreed to a settlement of \$800.00, which is allowed by Ohio Revised Code, and which fairly compensates him to the damage to his vehicle. The settlement has been recommended by Franklin County Fleet Management and the Prosecuting Attorney's Office. Pending any comments or questions, I request the passage of this resolution.

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0069-20, seconded by President O'Grady. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0070-20, authorizing Franklin County Department of Job and Family Services

Director to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding and related amendments and extensions with Columbus State Community College for on-site case management services (Job and Family Services), presented by Joy Bivens, Director, Job and Family Services.

Ms. Bivens: *A PowerPoint Presentation was utilized during the review of this resolution, and is on file with the Clerk to the Board of Commissioners.* Good morning, Commissioners. Good morning, County Administration. As you all know, Health and Human Services is changing. And, our agency remains committed to integrated partnerships across the sectors of our community. By renewing our partnership with Columbus State, we can continue to provide on-site case management services for the school, of Columbus State, which has about 20,000 students. Approximately half of those students are first-generation college students. In addition, 37 percent receive financial assistance. The findings from a recent Columbus State Student Financial Wellness Survey, which you have in front of you, further underscores why the partnership is so critical. We will continue to station a case manager, full-time, 40 hours per week, at Columbus State Student Central, to determine eligibility for SNAP; TANF; Medicaid; and PRC (Prevention, Retention and Contingency). An addition, a case worker will also be stationed, as a childcare eligibility case manager, for up to 30 hours per week. Pending any questions, I would ask for your approval of this resolution.

Commissioner Brown: Director, this information is really significant and important; it's not a surprise, to me and I am sure not to my colleagues either. But, can we get this out so that people really understand the challenges and the opportunities we have to really do some good work? This is really important data.

Ms. Bivens: Absolutely.

President O'Grady: Can you provide this to the Leadership Council, please? This is the reason that I made the statement that I made at the last meeting. These [referencing the information on the handout] are the reasons that I have been asking the questions that I've been asking the last couple of weeks.

Commissioner Brown: The work really matters that we've been doing in the community. And, this information is so important for people to understand; why we're in the community; why we're doing the work that we do; why you're doing the work you do; why all of our agencies are out in the community. This matters. And, we have to make an impact in a positive way.

President O'Grady: This is also why our relationship with Columbus State is so important. And these numbers would not be the same, or anywhere near the same, at any of the other universities in Central Ohio. My guess would be that these numbers would be similar at Sinclair Community College in Dayton, and Tri-C, and every other community college in Ohio. And probably, every other community college in the country. That's the difference between the type of work that community colleges do, and four-year institutions do. And,

the types of students that are on those institutions, because it's the type of environment that they provide, and the opportunities that they provide. That's why this is such critical work.

Ms. Bivens: If you remember, Commissioners, when this partnership was initially forged, one of the things that we understood was that in order to move people up the economic mobility continuum, particularly those who are most vulnerable and those who are the most vulnerable economically, many times there is always a crisis or a challenge. So, students who attend college, it's easy for them to stop attending college, based on an unforeseen economic circumstance, such as the loss of a job, or food insecurity, or homelessness. Placing a case manager right there on that campus, partnering with the staff and leadership on that campus, educating them regarding the resources that are on their campus, it assists with the disruption of the education system, so that those that are the most vulnerable can continue to move up the economic mobility ladder, by continuing their education.

Commissioner Brown: This is really significant and important. [Reading from the handout]: "Fifty-nine percent of students say they would have trouble getting five hundred dollars in cash or credit to meet an unexpected need within the next month." Your work matters.

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0070-20, seconded by President O'Grady. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0071-20, authorizing Franklin County Department of Job and Family Services Director to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding and related amendments and extensions with Reynoldsburg City Schools for on-site case management services (Job and Family Services), presented by Joy Bivens, Director, Job and Family Services.

Ms. Bivens: Commissioners, as our guests come to the podium, as you know, we continue to renew our onsite management agreements, we're looking to expand our footprint, by providing onsite case management in some districts with the highest need, across our county, starting with Reynoldsburg. Under this MOU, we will station one case manager on this campus, for up to twenty hours per week, to determine eligibility for SNAP, TANF, Medicaid, PRC, for their families and other members of the community. As you know, this supports the Poverty Blueprint. As we have had those two to three hundred conversations, many times, those who are the most vulnerable stated that it took them a long time to get to the things that they needed, because everything is so spread out. I will tell you, over the last couple of weeks, I have been using public transportation, the COTA bus, from Reynoldsburg, from Whitehall, to get to our Opportunity Centers, just so I could see firsthand some of the challenges that some of our customers are faced with. We're pleased that Reynoldsburg City School Superintendent Melvin Brown is here with us today. He also served on Leadership Council. But again, this supports the Blueprint, by integrating services, by placing services where people actually need them.

Commissioner Brown: [To Mr. Brown] Good morning, Superintendent. How are you?

Mr. Melvin Brown, Superintendent, Reynoldsburg City Schools: Good morning. How are you? I am really excited about the partnership and having the opportunity to bring something this close to our families in Reynoldsburg, as our community continues to evolve and change over time, and the needs also change. By providing these types of services in a more convenient, more reachable fashion, is going to be huge for our city. So, I am very thankful to Ms. Bivens and Franklin County Job and Family Services, and the Board of Commissioners, as well, for providing us this opportunity. Thank you.

President O'Grady and Commissioner Brown: Thank you.

Ms. Bivens: We will be moving into other districts, but we are piloting this program. I have told the superintendent that we are in conversations with some of the other superintendents who have the highest need, so that I don't get tomatoes thrown at me later (laughter).

Commissioner Brown: [To Director Bivens] What did you discover in riding the bus, to Reynoldsburg and Whitehall that gave you the most concern, or surprised you the most?

Ms. Bivens: I think that me, personally, who has transportation and has the opportunity to get into a car every day, we take that for granted. For a mother who has her children to drop-off, potentially, at an early learning center, or at the school, and sometimes depending on where you live the school buses do not pick up children, you have to ensure that they get there safely, depending on where it is. Also, just managing all of it. Carrying a diaper bag, a stroller, just the logistics of it. And then by the time you do all of that, the energy spent is a lot. There are services that we require customers to actually come in and sign contracts, like for our OWF population. It's challenging. And, if you can place it right where I live, it makes it so much easier for that family. And, it reduces stress; it gives back the gift of time for them to do what they need to do.

Commissioner Brown: It is the gift of time.

Mr. Brown: One addition I probably should mention. This is going to be located at our District Welcome Center, and so when families are there to enroll, or handle whatever the issues may be, this is going to be an additional service for them. It is almost a one-stop.

Ms. Bivens: And, I am going to continue to do this. We get so busy with the work, and we know the challenges from our head and the seats that we sit at, but when you put yourself right there, in a scenario where someone experiences that type of barrier, whether it is transportation or homelessness or whatever it is, it allows you as a leader to make better decisions for the customer base that you serve. Because, it is not for my convenience that we are putting a case manager in the districts, it's for the customer, and that is why we come to work every day.

President O'Grady: A couple of things. First of all, Superintendent Brown, thank you for being a part of this and thank you for being willing to help. And second, thank you for previously being a part of our efforts to help us get to where we are today. I know you've

been doing this work with us for a couple of years now, so thank you. Third, Joy, I appreciate you getting on the bus. This isn't the Park & Ride situation. This isn't the convenience of pulling up in a parking lot, parking your car, and jumping on a bus. Knowing, destination to destination; knowing where you're going. This is the inconvenience of I've got to walk to the bus stop. I've got to stand here and wait for the bus to show up with my kids, in tow. And then I've got to hope that once I get to that stop, that I don't have to walk too far again with my kids in tow. And, most of the time, that is not all that convenient. The good news is that Joanna Pinkerton, the CEO of COTA, has been a part of this with us from the beginning. So, now we know who to go directly to, when you're finding out what you're finding out. So, use that phone number that you have for Joanna to get her onboard, because she's been a part of this with us, from the beginning. Don't be bashful about that. I know she is committed to this, so we should be telling her what you're finding out. We need to make sure that COTA is part of the solution, because they're our partner in this.

Ms. Bivens: And, my bus pass didn't work. You have to have the exact change. You have to be prepared. Again, a twenty minute ride in a car, became an hour and a half, to get to an Opportunity Center.

Commissioner Brown: And, that is real time. When you have children, and you have to be at your workplace at a specific time, and you've got to take your children to where they're going, that is a whole lot of stress.

Ms. Bivens: And it was cold. It wasn't like today.

President O'Grady: As Commissioner Brown is pointing out, that's time out of people's day. But, on top of that, we have found this out for years, in the work that we've been doing. You're talking about getting to an Opportunity Center to access benefits. That's important stuff. But, what about just getting to a grocery store, to get better food than what you're able to access at the corner store, that's right down the street in your neighborhood? What about to get to a doctor's appointment? All of the things that we take for granted, all of the things that we do every day, it's not easily accessible in people's lives, if they need to access public transportation, because they don't have any other options, at all. And so, it's important stuff. Thank you for being a part of this work.

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0071-20, seconded by President O'Grady. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0072-20, authorizing the Franklin County Department of Job and Family Services Director to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Columbus Department of Neighborhoods to support the My Brother's Keeper Village initiatives and services (\$100,000.00) (Job and Family Services), presented by Joy Bivens, Director, Job and Family Services.

Ms. Bivens: As our guests come to the podium, Commissioners, the Director of Neighborhoods, Ms. Carla Williams-Scott and Mr. Samuel “Chris” Seul, I would be remiss if I did not mention that they were also employees of the county. I want to make mention of the MOU on the resolution. Job and Family Services will provide programmatic and financial support to extend the My Brother’s Keeper initiatives to boys and young men of color throughout the county, not just within the city limits of Columbus. In addition to providing support for this past fall’s MBK Statewide Convening, which took place in October, it also supports an upcoming listening tour throughout the county, and throughout our other municipalities. We believe that this is a great opportunity to forge our partnership with the city. And, we are also providing support to the MBK Grant Awardees, who are the Columbus Urban League, Community Refugee Immigration Services (CRIS), and the African American Wellness Initiative, to provide mentoring to boys and young men of color. This resolution supports goal number 11 of the Blueprint.

Carla Williams-Scott, Director, Department of Neighborhoods, City of Columbus: Thank you, Director Bivens, and good morning, Commissioners. I’d really like to thank you for this opportunity, to partner with Franklin County. As Director Bivens mentioned, this funding will allow us to move our programming outside of the central city of Columbus, and move out and work with some of our first tier suburbs, like Reynoldsburg, Whitehall, and Southwestern City Schools. And so for that, we are very appreciative. Now, I’d like to give Samuel Seul the opportunity to discuss some of what this funding will allow us to do.

Mr. Samuel “Chris” Seul, My Brother’s Keeper Program Manager, Department of Neighborhoods, City of Columbus: Good morning, Commissioners. I would like to thank the Franklin County Commissioners and Job and Family Services for their partnership and commitment to expand opportunities for boys and young men of color. Through round two grants, though grant funding, we formed a cohort of three similarly focused organizations to improve high school success, including the graduation rate, and college and career readiness. The match funds allocated today will afford our three partnership agencies the ability to be innovative and improve student engagement, as we work collectively to enhance outcomes for boys and men of color. This is the first of many opportunities to collectively make our mark on the community, and I look forward to a strong partnership going forward. Thank you.

Ms. Bivens: As you know, Commissioners, many of the challenges that the City of Columbus faces, the municipalities are challenged, as well. In addition to Chris being the program manager, I would also like to acknowledge Mr. Bryan Winbush [Social Program Developer] and Mr. Kendall White [Management Analyst I]. These will be our county representatives working on the project, as well, for My Brother’s Keeper. So, you have a city representative, and then we also have county representatives, as well.

Commissioner Brown: It’s a great partnership and we’ve got great people at the city and at the county. So, I am really thrilled.

President O'Grady: We've been working on this project with the city for a long time, right? This goes back to Director Trotman, if I remember correctly.

Ms. Bivens: That is right. And, we love working with the Department of Neighborhoods, because that is where the work truly impacts that residents and community.

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0072-20, seconded by President O'Grady. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0073-20, approving a subaward agreement with Dress for Success Columbus for a youth leadership program (\$70,000.00) (Job and Family Services), presented by Joy Bivens, Director, Job and Family Services.

Ms. Bivens: Commissioners, I am really excited about this particular partnership. Boss Girls will focus on preparing and empowering high school girls, ages 16 to 18, for leadership and career opportunities. The program is rooted in five core competencies, and the corresponding skills needed to develop soft skills, self-awareness, reasonable decision-making, self-management, social awareness, and relationship skills. In addition to workshops and peer mentoring, the girls will also have access to Dress for Success's, workplace suiting services. The pilot will initially target 250 girls, across four high schools, within Columbus and Reynoldsburg City Schools. The pilot will support one of the action steps, under goal number two, in the Poverty Blueprint Plan. And, today I have with me Ms. Angel Harris, from Dress for Success.

Ms. Angel Harris, Executive Director, Dress for Success Columbus: Thank you so much for this opportunity. We're so delighted to work with young women, 16 to 18 years old, who will have this opportunity to increase their self-efficacy, soft skills, and employability, because right after high school, they'll be making adult decision. And, we are happy to be supporting them in that transition into adulthood, and excited to partner with Reynoldsburg and Columbus City Schools on this project.

Commissioner Brown: This is great. Dress for Success does such a great job. And, to work with the younger women, I think, is terrific. Younger women are starting to go into the workforce, as they're looking at jobs in high school and beyond. It's terrific that you can give them that support. That ability to really build up their confidence, so I am thrilled that you're doing this.

Ms. Bivens: And, we're going to have the Mobile Unit come to the district.

Ms. Harris: Yes, we're launching a 30-foot Mobile Career Center, which will allow us to reach young women all throughout the city with our services, and help with a place-based strategy to reach them where they are.

Commissioner Brown: That's wonderful.

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0073-20, seconded by President O'Grady. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0074-20, authorizing a contract extension FB Columbus, LLC for the lease of the Job and Family Services West Opportunity Center (\$2,282,400.00) (Job and Family Services), presented by Joy Bivens, Director, Job and Family Services.

Ms. Bivens: Commissioners, the original term of the contract was from January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2019. It includes two optional three-year extensions. The time period for the first extension is January 1 through December 31, 2020. The total amount of the contract is not to exceed \$2,282,400.00. Of course, this is a three-year term contract. Pending any questions, I would ask for your approval of this resolution.

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0074-20, seconded by President O'Grady. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0075-20, authorizing a supplemental appropriation within the Justice Programs Fund for the addition of two full-time grant-funded positions (Justice Policy and Programs), presented by Michael Daniels, Director, Justice Policy and Programs.

Mr. Daniels: Good morning, Commissioners. As we continue to grow our department and bring additional grant funding into the county, we have realized the need in our office for the administrative support to be able to handle that increase. This would create two full-time positions within the office, which are fully grant funded. It specifies that if the grant funding goes away, so do the positions. It is not adding to the bottom line of the General Fund. I would like to thank Director Talarek and LaGrieta Holloway for preparing this resolution and working with us. Pending any questions, we'd ask for your approval.

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0075-20, seconded by President O'Grady. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0076-20, authorizing a Contract with Goodwill Industries of Central Ohio, Incorporated to provide Housekeeping Services at designated Franklin County Facilities (\$4,115,553.00) (Public Facilities Management), presented by Darla Reardon, Director, Public Facilities Management.

Ms. Reardon: Good morning, Commissioners. This resolution authorizes a contract with Goodwill Industries of Central Ohio, Inc., to provide housekeeping services at designated Franklin County facilities. Goodwill was selected through a Request for Proposal (RFP) process. The term of the firm, fixed price contract is three years, and allows for two optional one year extension periods. Pending any questions, we request your approval of this contract.

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0076-20, seconded by President O’Grady. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0077-20, approving purchases for various Franklin County agencies (\$2,097,880.46) (Purchasing), presented by Megan Perry-Balonier, Director, Purchasing, and Marleise Wicker, Small and Emerging Business Coordinator.

Ms. Perry-Balonier: Good morning, Commissioners. This resolution requests your approval of 147 purchase orders (POs), for which the County Auditor has pre-certified available funding.

Ms. Wicker: This week’s small and emerging business enterprise (SEBEs) vendors include 31 eligible purchase orders, totaling \$520,000.00. These purchase orders are for goods and services that have a higher likelihood of participation by small and emerging businesses. Of these, 21 were awarded to certified business enterprises, in the following categories: one LEDE [local economically disadvantaged]; 13 women; three minority; three small and emerging business; and, one EDGE-certified business [encouraging diversity, growth and equity], which includes goods and services, totaling \$399,867.06. This is 68 percent of the eligible purchase volume, and 77 percent of the eligible purchase order dollar value.

Ms. Perry-Balonier: Pending any questions, I’d request your approval of this resolution.

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0077-20, seconded by President O’Grady. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0078-20, authorizing the County Administrator to enter into an agreement with the United Way of Central Ohio for the administration of Franklin County Census 2020 Community Outreach Micro-Grants for community-based organizations to conduct census awareness outreach (Board of Commissioners), presented by Keena Smith, Deputy County Administrator.

Ms. Smith: Good morning, Commissioners. As the 2020 Census approaches, up to 300,000 Franklin County residents have been identified for enhanced outreach and engagement, to ensure that they are aware and that they trust the census. Each uncounted resident means that we risk losing up to \$12,000.00 in federal public services, in funding over the next ten years. The Community Outreach Micro-Grants will be awarded to community-based organizations, to share with their neighbors that the census is safe, it’s secure, and important. And, also how and when they can take the survey. Our partners at the City of Columbus have also contributed \$100,000.00 to a ‘twin fund.’ Both funds will be administered by the United Way of Central Ohio, and today we are joined by Lisa Courtice, President and CEO, United Way of Central Ohio, as well as Rose Simmons, who is the Partnership Coordinator, U.S. Census Bureau – Philadelphia Region.

Ms. Lisa Courtice, President and CEO, United Way of Central Ohio: Good morning and thank you for this partnership. First, we have a platform called Easy Impact that allows for nonprofits to have easy access and partners to apply for grants. As United Way offers this, we're finding more and more partners in the community. We're using this as a central, core place for partners, nonprofits, and stakeholders to apply for funding. And, it's allowed for streamlining and efficiency in the system. So, we're glad you're partnering with us on that, as well as the city. We have a once in a ten year opportunity to ensure that every person counts. So, we are part of a bigger effort, but at the United Way, we are mobilizing our 80-funded partners, to make certain that ensures that every person counts. We're putting strategies in place to reach people with multiple barriers in being counted. And, again, we're grateful for your partnership.

Ms. Rose Simmons, Partnership Coordinator, U.S. Census Bureau – Philadelphia Region: *A PowerPoint Presentation was utilized during the review of this resolution, and is on file with the Clerk to the Board of Commissioners.* Thank you. It is critically important that we count everyone. More than \$675 billion in federal funds are allocated annually based upon Census data. In 2010, Franklin County was awarded \$33.5 billion. We understand the importance here. We also have jobs, so I have to mention that everywhere I go. Right now, we're doing our mass hiring phase. We know that a lot of people filled out the application early, and we're wondering, when is it [hiring] going to happen. Now is the time that it's happening. We just had an increase in rates, and the pay rate is \$20 to \$24, per hour. The requirement is that you're 18 years of age, and that you have an email address. That's it. You can go online and apply; you can apply with your smart phone. I would encourage everyone under the sound of my voice that knows someone that needs a job, to encourage them to go to 2020Census.gov/jobs. We have lots of office positions, as well as enumerator positions. This map here shows the predicted low response areas in Franklin County. The deeper the blue, the less likely the community is to respond. You can see a lot of deep blue here in Franklin County, which means we need to hire people to assist. We need to do an effort prior to that hiring in communicating to those neighborhoods, in those Census tracks and blocks, the importance of how it effects them. It effects preschool funding, after school finding, head start, immunization funding, food breakfast and lunch funding, school nurses, things that you just take for granted on a daily basis. So, it's very important that we encourage everyone to participate. And, we let them know that this is the first census where they can respond online; they can do it by telephone; or they can request a paper questionnaire. So, we're trying to remove any excuse or apprehension. We can consider anything that is 20 percent or above to be a low response area. Franklin County has a 40.8 percent low response score. That is really, really critically important. And, you can see that we are already planning to hire lots of folks to cover that. We ask for your support. We thank you for your support, thus far. The Commissioners and Administrators have been great in supporting us. We ask for your continued support in outreaching to those communities that need assistance.

Commissioner Brown: Thank you. Rose, how many positions in Franklin County do you expect to hire for, and to take?

Ms. Simmons: More than five thousand.

Commissioner Brown: In Franklin County?

Ms. Simmons: In Franklin County. It's one of our largest counties. We need lots of folks. And we are hiring right now. I was in the office yesterday and the phones are just buzzing. We have clerical staff that are contacting people and making those job offers to people right now.

Commissioner Brown: And for how long are those jobs?

Ms. Simmons: The jobs range, depending upon the operation phase, anywhere from eight weeks to six months, ending September 26, 2020, depending upon the position.

Commissioner Brown: That's really important. We need to get the word out in a really big way.

Ms. Courtice: This funding will allow people to be creative in getting the word out.

Commissioner Brown: Thank you very much.

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0078-20, seconded by President O'Grady. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0079-20, appointing Ramon Jones to the Columbus Regional Airport Authority Board of Trustees (Board of Commissioners), presented by Erik Janas, Deputy County Administrator.

Mr. Janas: Good morning, Commissioners. Mr. Jones currently serves as the Chief Marketing Officer for Nationwide. Pending any questions, we'd recommend approval of this appointment.

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0079-20, seconded by President O'Grady. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0080-20, appointing Franklin County Commissioner Kevin L. Boyce to serve as Franklin County's representative on the One Columbus Board of Directors (Board of Commissioners), presented by Erik Janas, Deputy County Administrator.

Mr. Janas: Commissioners, pending any questions, I'd recommend approval of this appointment.

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 0080-20, seconded by President O'Grady. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

President O'Grady: Are there any journalizations?

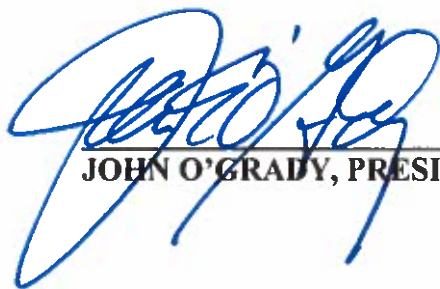
Clerk: Yes, one, Commissioner.

Case #ANX-02-20, an expedited type 2 annexation petition, ANX-02-20, was filed with the Franklin County Economic Development and Planning Department on January 22, 2020. The petition is requesting to annex 3.539, more or less, acres from Mifflin Township to the City of Columbus. The petition will be considered by the Board of Commissioners on February 25, 2020. Site: 2494 Stelzer Road (PID #191-003175); 2506 Stelzer Road (PID #191-003179); 2530 Stelzer Road (PID #191-003169).

With no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:50 A.M.

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



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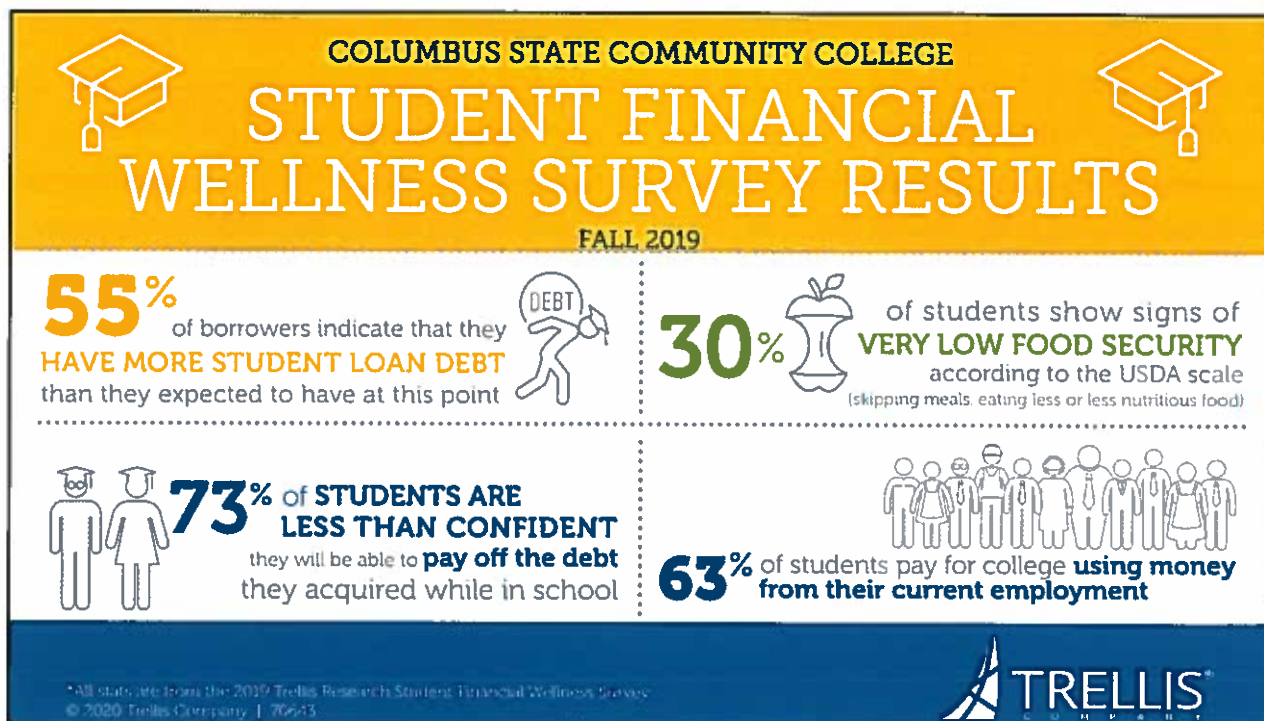
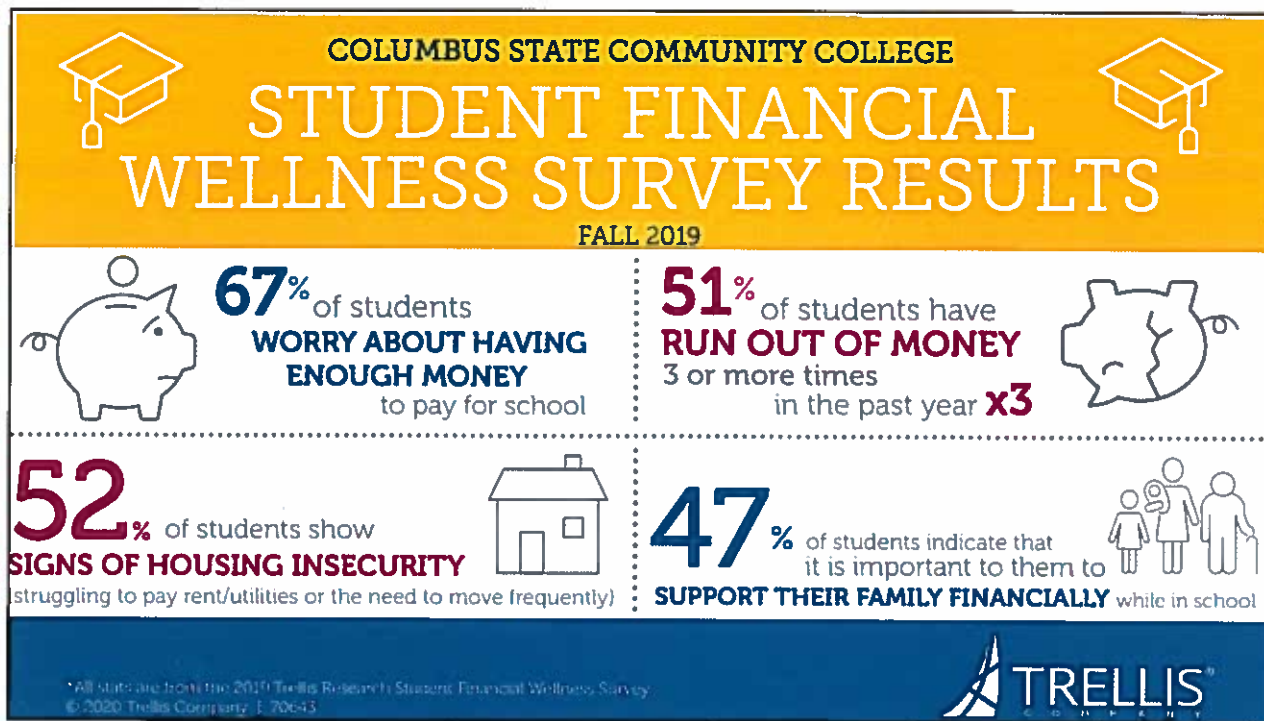
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FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO**

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Clerk to the Board of Commissioners**

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STUDENT FINANCIAL WELLNESS SURVEY RESULTS

FALL 2019



44% find their **TOTAL DEBT** amount to be **OVERWHELMING** (credit card, car loan, money owed to family/friends)



34% of students pay for college with **CREDIT CARDS**

66%



of students say they **WOULD USE FINANCIAL SUPPORT** services if offered by their school



59% of students say they would have **TROUBLE GETTING \$500** in cash or credit to meet an unexpected need within the next month

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Rose Simmons, Partnership Coordinator

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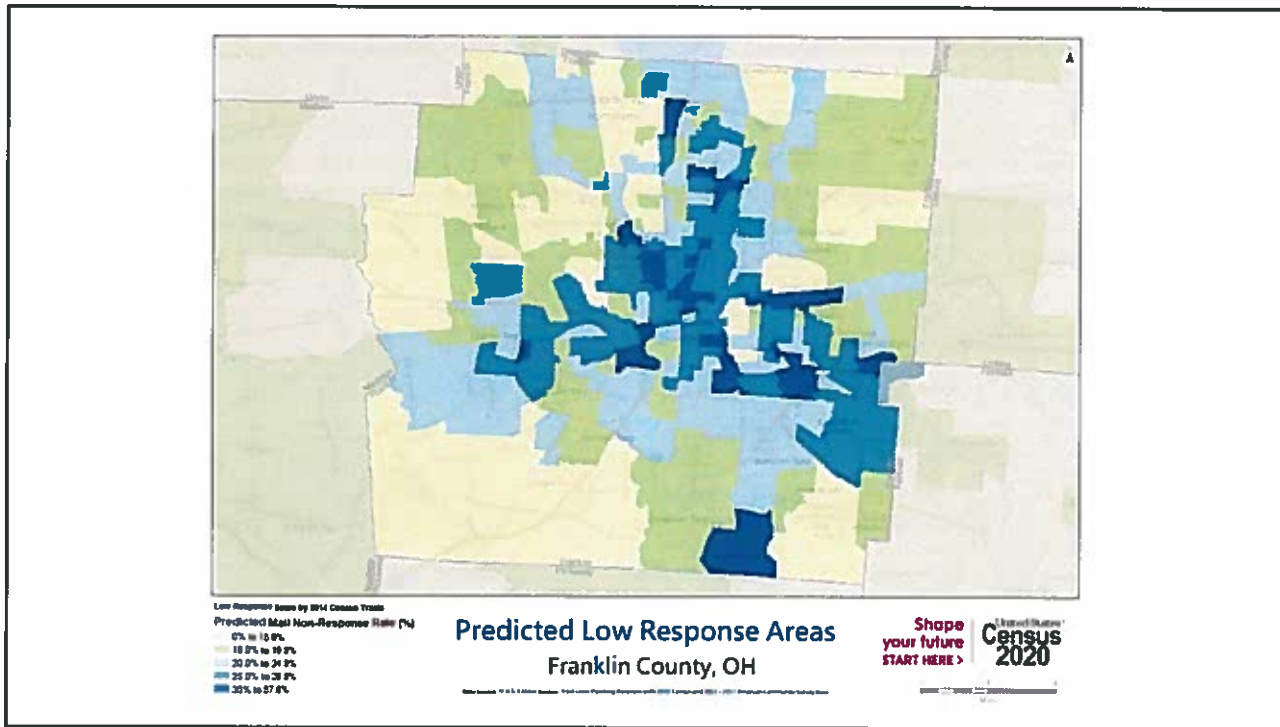
Position	Staffing timeline (peak operations)	Average Pay Rates
Area Census Office Manager	June 2019	\$29.00 - \$35.00
Census Field Manager	June 2019	\$19.00 - \$26.50
Administration Manager	June 2019	
IT Manager	June 2019	
Recruiting Manager	June 2019	
Recruiting Assistants	August 2019	\$16.50 - \$23.00
Census Field Supervisor	February 2020	
Office Operations Supervisor	July 2019	\$15.50 - \$21.50
Enumerator	March 2020	\$13.50 - \$20.50
Clerk	September 2019	\$11.50 - \$16.00

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Franklin County, Ohio

Low Response Score (%): 40.8

2013-2017 ACS 5-year estimates

- ACS Self-Response Rate: 21.9
- Total Population: 1,962
- Median Household Income (\$): 32,500
- Median Age: 23.8
- Population Under 5 (%): 13.71
- Population 18-24 (%): 15.44
- Population 65 and Over (%): 4.38
- Persons Below Poverty Level (%): 46.13
- Children Under 18 Living in Poverty (%): 67.88
- School-Enrolled Children Age 3 and 4 (%):
- Not High School Graduate (%): 39.45
- No Health Insurance Under 19 (%): 8.44

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