

FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES OF GENERAL SESSION

November 8, 2022

The Franklin County Board of Commissioners convened in the Commissioners Hearing Room, at 9:00 A.M. on Tuesday, November 8, 2022.

Present were: Erica C. Crawley, President
John O'Grady, Commissioner

Also present on the dais were Kenneth N. Wilson, County Administrator; and Lauren M. Graessle, Deputy Clerk to the Board of Commissioners.

Using hybrid meeting technology, participants were also able to access General Session via Zoom conferencing, by dialing (929) 436-2866, Meeting ID:978 8790 2896; Passcode:628826, or by joining at: <https://franklincountyohio.zoom.us/j/97887902896>

Commissioner Crawley called the meeting to order at 9:10 A.M.

Commissioner Crawley: Today is November 8, 2022, so Happy Election Day and Happy Voter Day. I hope that everyone has either already made it to the polls or has a voting plan for today if you did not vote early.

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Commissioner Crawley: November is Native American Heritage Month. Our friends, Ty and Masami Smith, directors of the Native American Indian Center of Central Ohio, had wanted to be with us this morning to celebrate Franklin County's Native American history, but due to family obligations in the Pacific Northwest, they are unable to attend today. We will be sure to invite them another time. For today, they sent a short video for us to play about one of their most important initiatives. This initiative is known as Land Back NAICCO, which aims to secure property in Ohio that would be exclusively devoted to Ohio's Native American heritage. For more information about this and other ways of connecting with Ohio's Native American Heritage, visit their website at www.naicco.com.

To view the "Land Back NAICCO (2022)" video, please visit: <https://bit.ly/3TewqFL>

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Commissioner Crawley: I'd also like to recognize that November is National Home Care and Hospice Awareness month, and to invite you to attend our annual Hospice Tree Lighting here, in the county building lobby on November 28th at noon. Home care for the elderly and chronically ill provides a high-quality, compassionate way to age in place, and professional home health visits can reduce hospital readmissions by as much as 25%. Hospice is compassionate, person-centered end-of-life care that focuses on the comfort of the patient and the needs of loved ones. More than 1.5 million Americans receive hospice care each year, and we partner every November with the hospice organizations from OhioHealth and Mt. Carmel Health on an important event to celebrate and support their work. We'll have some light refreshments and entertainment, and you can purchase an ornament for the hospice tree in memory of a loved one who's no longer with us. It's a great fundraiser for the hospices and a poignant kickoff to the holiday season, so I hope to see you there.

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Commissioner Crawley: This is also Lung Cancer Awareness month. Lung cancer is the leading cancer killer of both men and women in the U.S., claiming a life about once every two and a half minutes. There is hope, however, as the lung cancer survival rate has increased dramatically in recent years, it's vital that you get your annual checkups and cancer screenings. You can learn all about lung cancer at Lung.org and about lung cancer screening at SavedByTheScan.org.

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Commissioner Crawley: November is also National Alzheimer's Awareness month and National Diabetes month. Alzheimer's is a type of brain disease that is caused by damage to nerve cells in the brain. It's the most common cause of dementia. It results in progressive memory loss and is ultimately fatal. More than six million Americans and their loved ones are living with Alzheimer's today, a number that will increase as our population ages. You can learn more about Alzheimer's Disease or how you can donate to support research into treatments, as well as find resources for caregivers and get a free memory screening from the Alzheimer's Foundation at ALZFDN.org. Diabetes occurs when a person's glucose, or blood sugar, is too high, and it affects about 37 million Americans. It can damage the eyes, kidneys, nerves, and heart, and is linked to some types of cancer. Diabetes can affect both older and very young people and tends to affect people of color at higher rates than White Americans. Fortunately, diabetes can sometimes be controlled through lifestyle changes and there are medical treatments available as well. Visit the Central Ohio Diabetes Association via Lifecare Alliance at LifecareAlliance.org to learn more about diabetes screenings and treatments.

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Approval of the minutes for the October 25 and November 1, 2022, General Sessions; and the October 27 and November 3, 2022, Briefing Sessions. Commissioner O’Grady moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Crawley. The minutes were approved by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0815-22, authorizing a contract extension for linen and laundry service for the Franklin County Juvenile Intervention (\$54,376.00) (Domestic Relations), presented by Barb Reeves, Deputy Director, Court of Common Pleas, Domestic Relations Division.

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

Commissioner O’Grady moved to approve Resolution 0815-22, seconded by Commissioner Crawley. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0816-22, authorizing the receipt of an American Rescue Plan Funding 2022 Grant Program subgrant in the amount of \$249,373.20 (the “Award”) for and authorizing the County Administrator to sign all acceptance documents related to the Award (\$249,373.20) (Coroner), presented by Dan Baker, Chief of Toxicology, Coroner’s Office.

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

Commissioner O’Grady moved to approve Resolution 0816-22, seconded by Commissioner Crawley. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0817-22, preliminary allocation and final encumbrance of County Motor Vehicle License Fee (\$5) Funds for the City of Columbus (\$1,100,000.00) (Engineer), presented by Nick Soulas, Government Affairs Liaison, Engineer’s Office.

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

Commissioner O’Grady moved to approve Resolution 0817-22, seconded by Commissioner Crawley. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0818-22, preliminary allocation and final encumbrance of County Motor Vehicle License Fee (\$5) Funds for the City of Columbus (\$2,200,000.00) (Engineer), presented by Nick Soulas, Government Affairs Liaison, Engineer’s Office.

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

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 0818-22, seconded by Commissioner Crawley. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0819-22, authorizing the 2023 core network commitment with People Driven Technology, inc. (Franklin County Data Center), presented by Julie Lust, Chief Financial Officer, Data Center.

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

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 0819-22, seconded by Commissioner Crawley. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0820-22, authorizing a supplemental appropriation in the Network Infrastructure Fund to support the network redundancy and reliability initiative (Franklin County Data Center), presented by Julie Lust, Chief Financial Officer, Data Center.

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

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 0820-22, seconded by Commissioner Crawley. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0821-22, authorizing an Affordable Housing Development agreement with Woda Cooper Companies, Inc., to receive funding through the Magnet Fund Program to assist the development of an affordable housing project (\$850,000.00) (Economic Development and Planning), presented by James Schimmer, Director, Economic Development and Planning.

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

Commissioner Crawley: Is there a minority participation goal for the project?

Mr. Schimmer: We do not have that in our contract.

Jonathan D. McKay, Vice President of Development, Woda Cooper Companies, Inc.: That is something that we do not have inked at this time, but it is obviously something that we always pursue with any development to meet Section 3 requirements because the project is located in the city of Columbus.

Kenneth N. Wilson, County Administrator: Mr. McKay, can you spell out what those requirements of Section 3 are?

Mr. McKay: It means that for a certain percentage of the project, we will be looking for different contractors and subcontractors that will reflect the minority participation.

Mr. Wilson: Is it an open percentage amount, or is there a minimum minority participation percentage that has been set for the development of these units?

Mr. McKay: We typically try to hit ten percent, and that is the goal for this project. We will try to exceed that goal if possible.

Commissioner O'Grady: Director Schimmer and Mr. McKay, we have been down this road for a number of years now, so I would expect that when these come before us, this question should be easy to answer. In the future, this should be an easy answer, and we should not need to have questions about this.

Commissioner Crawley: I asked this question because I was asked this question. People do look at the agenda that we publish, and there are folks who call in to inquire about something that we are about to vote on. I was asked what the minority participation is for this agreement. I know what Section 3 is, but it is important for the community to understand what Section 3 is or what the goal is for all projects regarding minority participation.

Mr. Wilson: We are proud of the accomplishments of the Magnet Fund, and in this community, we need all of the affordable housing we can get. When this agenda was published, I was also asked who would be developing and building these projects because there is a desire in the community for inclusivity. Even though we welcome every single affordable housing unit, minority participation, women participation, and diverse participation are extremely important. Has the construction manager been selected for this particular project?

Mr. McKay: Yes, it has. Woda Cooper is a vertically integrated affordable housing developer, contractor, and manager. So, we have a contracting arm that will be the contractor for this project. Woda Construction, Inc. is the name of it.

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 0821-22, seconded by Commissioner Crawley. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0822-22, authorizing the Board of Franklin County Commissioners to sign the attached "Discharge of MORTGAGE" instrument for Shon Ingles at 1522 Little Avenue, Township of Franklin, Ohio 43223 (Economic Development and Planning), presented by Julissa Tiruchelvam, Executive Assistant, Economic Development and Planning.

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

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 0822-22, seconded by Commissioner Crawley. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0808-22, approving a contract between the Franklin County Department of Job and Family Services and ConsumerInfo.com, Inc., aka Experian Consumer Services (\$12,834.25) (Job and Family Services), presented by Vivian Turner, Chief Administrator, Job and Family Services.

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

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 0808-22, seconded by Commissioner Crawley. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0823-22, approving a subaward agreement with the Ohio Association of Foodbanks for the management of work activities as required by the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Employment and Training program (\$806,938.80) (Job and Family Services), presented by Vivian Turner, Chief Administrator, Job and Family Services.

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

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 0823-22, seconded by Commissioner Crawley. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0824-22, approving a subaward agreement with I Know I Can for youth career development services (\$575,059.52) (Job and Family Services), presented by Vivian Turner, Chief Administrator, Job and Family Services.

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

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 0824-22, seconded by Commissioner Crawley. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0825-22, approving contracts with the Deaf Services Center Inc. and HandsOn Central Ohio for Title XX Social Services (\$489,994.98) (Job and Family Services), presented by Vivian Turner, Chief Administrator, Job and Family Services.

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

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 0825-22, seconded by Commissioner Crawley. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0826-22, authorizing the Franklin County Administrator to sign an Award and Acceptance Form in receipt of an FY 2023 Victims of Crimes Act (VOCA) grant from the Ohio Attorney General's Office (\$109,200.51) (Justice Policy and Programs), presented by Ruchelle Pride, Director, Justice Policy and Programs.

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

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 0826-22, seconded by Commissioner Crawley. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0827-22, authorizing a second modification to the general engineering services contract with Arcadis U.S., Inc. (an increase of \$150,000.00) (\$418,900.00) (Sanitary Engineers), presented by Ryan Stowe, Project Engineer, Sanitary Engineers.

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

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 0827-22, seconded by Commissioner Crawley. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0828-22, approving and authorizing the County Administrator to execute a contract for employee background check services and equipment with the Ohio Attorney General and authorizing the County Administrator to perform administrative functions related to employee background checks (Human Resources), presented by Benjamin Nolan, Human Resources Officer, Human Resources.

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

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 0828-22, seconded by Commissioner Crawley. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0829-22, approving purchases for various Franklin County agencies (\$2,899,279.90) (Purchasing), presented by Megan Perry-Balonier, Director, Purchasing, and Damika Withers, Chief Economic Equity and Inclusion Officer, Office of Diversity Equity and Inclusion.

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

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 0829-22, seconded by Commissioner Crawley. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0830-22, authorizing the agreements between Franklin County and the Public Safety Answering Points for the disbursement of wireless 9-1-1 government assistance funds (Board of Commissioners), presented by Zachary Talarek, Director, Office of Management and Budget.

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

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 0830-22, seconded by Commissioner Crawley. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0831-22, appointing Aaron K. Hopkins to the Columbus & Franklin County Local Food Board (Board of Commissioners), presented by Brittany A. Razek, Director of Community Appointments, Board of Commissioners.

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

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 0831-22, seconded by Commissioner Crawley. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0832-22, reappointing Randy Sokol to the Columbus & Franklin County Local Food Board (Board of Commissioners), presented by Brittany A. Razek, Director of Community Appointments, Board of Commissioners.

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

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 0832-22, seconded by Commissioner Crawley. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0834-22, appointing John E. Singleton to the County Hospital Commission of Franklin County, Ohio (Board of Commissioners), presented by Brittany A. Razek, Director of Community Appointments, Board of Commissioners.

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

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 0834-22, seconded by Commissioner Crawley. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0835-22, appointing David C. Tiggett to the County Hospital Commission of Franklin County, Ohio (Board of Commissioners), presented by Brittany A. Razek, Director of Community Appointments, Board of Commissioners.

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

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 0835-22, seconded by Commissioner Crawley. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0836-22, reappointing Rhonda L. Comer to the County Hospital Commission of Franklin County, Ohio (Board of Commissioners), presented by Brittany A. Razek, Director of Community Appointments, Board of Commissioners.

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

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 0836-22, seconded by Commissioner Crawley. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0837-22, reappointing Daniel R. Hackett to the County Hospital Commission of Franklin County, Ohio (Board of Commissioners), presented by Brittany A. Razek, Director of Community Appointments, Board of Commissioners.

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

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 0837-22, seconded by Commissioner Crawley. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0838-22, reappointing Patrick T. King to the County Hospital Commission of Franklin County, Ohio (Board of Commissioners), presented by Brittany A. Razek, Director of Community Appointments, Board of Commissioners.

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

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 0838-22, seconded by Commissioner Crawley. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0839-22, reappointing Chester P. Porembski to the County Hospital Commission of Franklin County, Ohio (Board of Commissioners), presented by Brittany A. Razek, Director of Community Appointments, Board of Commissioners.

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

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 0839-22, seconded by Commissioner Crawley. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 0840-22, reappointing Zachary T. Talarek to the County Hospital Commission of Franklin County, Ohio (Board of Commissioners), presented by Brittany A. Razek, Director of Community Appointments, Board of Commissioners.

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

Commissioner O'Grady moved to approve Resolution 0840-22, seconded by Commissioner Crawley. The Resolution was adopted by roll call vote.

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There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:51 A.M.

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These minutes are a general summary of the Commissioners' General Session meeting on Tuesday, November 8, 2022.

ERICA C. CRAWLEY, PRESIDENT



JOHN O'GRADY



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

Submitted by:



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