

County Council Regular Meeting: September 10, 2019

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I. Introduction.

Council President Dan Brady called the meeting to order at 5:00pm. All members of Council were present except for Councilmember Shontel Brown, whose absence was excused by a motion. The meeting adjourned at 5:30pm.

II. Antecedents, Announcements & Public Comment.

During Public Comment, Miss Liu spoke about ongoing issues at the Cuyahoga County Jail. County Executive Armond Budish spoke positively about the recent appointment of David Schilling as interim Sheriff as well as the approval of funds from the American Corrections Association, which looked at the jail and commended the progress. He suggested Council look at their report on the jail.

III. Business Transacted.

* The following resolutions were adopted on first reading under suspension of rules:

- Authorizing Council President Brady to act on behalf of Cuyahoga County Council in the National Prescription Opiate Litigation case before Judge Dan A. Polster in the U.S. District Court.
- Authorizing a settlement between Cuyahoga and Summit counties and Mallinckrodt Pharmaceuticals for \$24 million in cash and \$6 million in product in the National Prescription Opiate Litigation case.

* The following resolutions were referred to committee after first reading:

- Support of various municipalities' applications for funding under the Clean Ohio Fund Green Space Conservation Program through the Ohio Public Works Commission.
- An agreement with the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame to distribute proceeds from the one percent increase in the excise tax on hotel lodging transactions.
- \$4.2 million in purchase and sale agreements for 7 land parcels.
- \$2.7 million from the sale of Canal Road's Sanitary Maintenance Yard to the Board of Park Commissioners, Cleveland Metropolitan Park District.
- A final price guarantee of \$214.6 million for design-build of the Convention Center Hotel and Huntington Garage project.
- \$3.5 million for insurance brokerage and risk management services.

- \$2 million for an Economic Development Fund Business Growth and Attraction Loan for the Redwood Living Inc. Headquarters Project to be located on East Pleasant Valley Rd. In Independence.
- \$1.3 million additional funds for community-based treatment center management services.
- \$2.7 million to the Prosecutor's office for legal services.
- \$1.1 million to the United Way for emergency food assistance.