

**THE DULY ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CLERMONT COUNTY, OHIO, MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON JUNE 10, 2020, WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT: DAVID L. PAINTER, PRESIDENT, AND CLAIRE B. CORCORAN, MEMBER. EDWIN H. HUMPHREY, VICE PRESIDENT, ATTENDED THE MEETING VIRTUALLY. THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER SHORTLY AFTER 10:00 A.M. BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD WITH THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO OUR FLAG.**

**LET THE RECORD SHOW THAT THE JUNE 10, 2020 REGULAR SESSION WAS VIDEO RECORDED AND IS AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 8:00 A.M. TO 4:30 P.M. LOCAL TIME. IN ADDITION, THE REGULAR SESSION IS AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC VIEWING THROUGH THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT WEBSITE AT <https://www.youtube.com/user/clermontcounty/playlists>**

**IN RE: MINUTES OF REGULAR SESSION...APPROVED**

Moved by Commissioner Humphrey, seconded by Commissioner Corcoran,

To approve the minutes of Regular Session of **06/03/2020**.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Humphrey, Aye; Commissioner Corcoran, Yes; Commissioner Painter, Yes.

**LET THE RECORD SHOW:** COMMISSIONER PAINTER STATED THAT THE BOARD HAD REACHED THE COUNTY STAFF/ELECTED OFFICIAL DISCUSSION SECTION OF THE AGENDA. HE INQUIRED IF THERE WAS ANYONE IN THE AUDIENCE THAT WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD.

**LET THE RECORD SHOW:** Julianne Nesbit, Health Commissioner, Clermont County Public Health (CCPH), addressed the Board, virtually, with an update on the Coronavirus (COVID-19). Ms. Nesbit discussed the changes that have been made to the CCPH COVID-19 tracking numbers on the CCPH website. There are currently 234 confirmed cases of Coronavirus in Clermont County, six deaths, 47 active cases, and 41 hospitalizations with the Median Age being 48. Ms. Nesbit stated they are starting to see more cases in younger individuals now and she anticipates we will probably see more as additional services reopen. Ms. Nesbit noted the following will be opening over the next couple of weeks:

- Common Congregate Areas -such as billiards areas and game rooms were permitted to open on June 5, 2020.
- June 10, 2020
  - Movie Theaters
  - Museums
  - Playgrounds
  - Marching Bands can resume practice as long as social distancing requirements are being maintained and they follow the guidance for non-contact sports.
- June 19, 2020
  - Casinos
  - Waterparks
- CCPH is waiting on guidance with regard to full contact sports.

Commissioner Painter asked Ms. Nesbit what she sees with the virus in the near future. Ms. Nesbit indicated that they do not get information prior to the release to the public from Ohio Department of Health (ODH). She did note that ODH is continuing to work on fairs and festivals. Additional guidelines regarding County Fairs came out on 06/09/20, this is different from the original guidance. Clermont County Senior Fair Board will be meeting again to discuss the new guidance.

The Board of County Commissioners thanked Ms. Nesbit for her update.

Mary Rains, Director, Office of Management and Budget provided an update with regard to the Ohio Department of Taxation's preliminary non-auto sales tax revenues for April, which shows a decrease of about 14% over last year. The County should receive the March numbers next week and final April revenues should be received in mid-July. Commissioner Painter stated that a 14% decrease, although not good, is better than the 50% decrease originally projected. Ms. Rains responded yes, it is much better than the original projections and it has helped that the County was running about 7% over the original sales tax revenue projections prior to the shutdown. The lower reduction may be due to internet sales which offset the businesses that closed during the shutdown more than initially anticipated.

Ms. Rains noted that the casinos will be reopening on June 19<sup>th</sup> and that should help revenues as well since they have been closed since March 14<sup>th</sup>. Ms. Rains further stated she is currently reviewing the 2021 Tax Budgets and will be able to provide the Board with an update next week. She will be able to provide more details at that time about how the Pandemic has impacted department revenue projections.

The Board of County Commissioners thanked Ms. Rains for her update.

**LET THE RECORD SHOW: PROCLAMATION:** The Board of County Commissioners, Clermont County, Ohio, issued a Proclamation designating Sunday, June 14, 2020, as "Flag Day" and June 14-20, 2020, as "National Flag Week" in Clermont County. (20-0102-001)

**LET THE RECORD SHOW: PROCLAMATION:** The Board of County Commissioners, Clermont County, Ohio, issued a Proclamation designating Monday, June 15, 2020, as "Elder Abuse Awareness Day in Clermont County". (20-0102-001)

**LET THE RECORD SHOW:** Cindy Gramke, Executive Director, Clermont Senior Services, Inc., provided a PowerPoint Presentation to the Board of County Commissioners entitled: "Clermont Senior Services Annual Report 2019 – 50 Years of Service with Heart" ([attached](#)).

Ms. Gramke stated that Clermont Senior Services (CSS) continued goal is to provide a broad range of in-home services to keep seniors living in their own homes for as long as possible, delaying nursing home placement and saving taxpayers money. Ms. Gramke reviewed the Clermont Senior Services' operations and the population served in 2019. She further discussed the Program Services offered by Clermont Senior Services, Inc. including Home Care, Home-Delivered Meals, Adult Day Services, Home Repair and Modification Programs, Case Management, Lifelong Learning Centers, Congregate (On-Site) Meals. Ms. Gramke indicated that currently, due to COVID-19 precautions, programs like the Lifelong Learning Centers and Adult Day Services are not open, however, they are providing activities on the CSS website. She further explained the Specialized Medical Transportation and Other Transportation Services, Adult Protective Services and Guardianships, Volunteer Resources Program, Visiting Officer's Program, Volunteer Guardian Program (established in 2018) and the seven Low Income HUD-202 Senior Housing Communities in Clermont County.

Commissioner Painter inquired about the number of low income seniors needing housing, and what the long term plan is for that population. Ms. Gramke stated that HUD-202 funding has about \$50M in 2020 for the entire United States and CSS will be going after funding for projects within that grant, however funding for the creation of new developments has been exhausted.

Ms. Gramke reviewed the increase in demand and costs associated with the 5310 Specialized Transportation Program as well as the growth in the number of cases being referred for investigation to Adult Protective Services by Clermont County Department of Job and Family Services (CCDJFS). In 2019, 505 investigations were conducted in 2019. Ms. Gramke reviewed the projected growth of the senior population by the end of 2020, which represented a 120% increase in the senior population from 2000. Ms. Gramke reported that it is projected that 25% of

the population in Clermont County will be 60 years old or older in 2020, with the percentage increasing to 32.7% by 2050. Ms. Gramke stated that 73% of the funding for Senior Services comes from the Senior Services Levy. In conclusion, Ms. Gramke stated that Clermont Senior Services, Inc. continues its commitment to be responsible stewards of taxpayer dollars and seek ways to be the most they can be to seniors in Clermont County. Ms. Gramke stated that through attrition and planning they have been able to stay within the budget while reducing the number of Full Time Employees (FTE's) overall and providing far more service.

The Board of County Commissioners thanked Ms. Gramke for her Presentation. (20-0102-003)

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**LET THE RECORD SHOW:** COMMISSIONER PAINTER STATED THAT A CONSENT AGENDA HAS BEEN PREPARED FOR THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND REQUESTED WHETHER ANY BOARD MEMBER WANTED ANY ITEMS REMOVED FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION AND UPON HEARING NONE:

Moved by Commissioner Humphrey, seconded by Commissioner Corcoran, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendations:

**1. IN RE: REQUESTS FROM VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS TO JOIN PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND AUTHORIZATION FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF ROUTINE TRAVEL EXPENSES RELATIVE THERETO...APPROVED**

Requests from various departments to join professional organizations and to authorize payment of the annual dues in the amounts outlined below for membership therein, pursuant to Section 325.21 of the Ohio Revised Code and to authorize reimbursement of **routine travel expenses** associated therewith (*excluding expenses for overnight accommodations, meals for more than one day, registration fees, tuition, and/or transportation by common carrier*) pursuant to the policies and procedures of the Board of County Commissioners and in compliance with the Annual Appropriations for Calendar Year 2020 and any and all amendments subsequent thereto:

Clermont County Court of Common Pleas/Domestic Relations Division Magistrate Chris Feldhaus DC# 20-0528-003	Ohio Association of Magistrates	\$125.00	01/01/2020 through 12/31/2020
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**2. IN RE: PERSONNEL ACTIONS...APPROVED**

\* THE OFFICIAL RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CLERMONT COUNTY, OHIO, RELATIVE TO PERSONNEL ACTIONS IS AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION UPON REQUEST MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 8:00 A.M. TO 4:30 P.M. LOCAL TIME.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Humphrey, Aye; Commissioner Corcoran, Yes; Commissioner Painter, Yes.

## **NON-CONSENT AGENDA**

### **3. IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...RESOLUTION NUMBER 077-20/PAYMENT OF BILLS...ADOPTED**

Moved by Commissioner Corcoran, seconded by Commissioner Humphrey, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

Recommendation that the Board of County Commissioners adopt **Resolution Number 077-20** resolving to approve payment to vendors **in the total amount of \$1,677,735.47** as set forth in the BCC Approval Invoice Report for Checks dated **June 10, 2020**, BCC Directed Pre-Paid Invoices Report(s) and/or the Procurement Card Transaction Report as presented by the County Auditor on **06/08/2020**, and further authorizing the County Auditor to issue warrants for same pursuant to Section 319.16 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Corcoran, Yes; Commissioner Humphrey, Aye; Commissioner Painter, Yes.

### **4. IN RE: COUNTY ENGINEER...AWARD OF BID AND EXECUTION OF CONTRACT FOR PROJECT NUMBER PID 105055 RELATIVE TO THE PIERCE TOWNSHIP PARK PATHS PROJECT LOCATED WITHIN PIERCE TOWNSHIP...20-0116-002...RATIFIED**

Moved by Commissioner Humphrey, seconded by Commissioner Corcoran, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

Recommendation of Jeremy P. Evans, County Engineer, with the concurrence of Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, to award the bid for Project Number PID 105055 relative to the Pierce Township Park Paths Project located within Pierce Township, pursuant to the plans and specifications therefore, to Roberts Paving, Inc., 4354 Wildcat Road, Hillsboro, Ohio, 45133 for the best bid received on 03/19/2020, in the mathematically corrected amount of \$230,148.94, and to execute the Contract relative thereto, pursuant to the terms and conditions set forth therein and the award of bid therefore.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Humphrey, Aye; Commissioner Corcoran, Yes; Commissioner Painter, Yes.

### **5. IN RE: COUNTY ENGINEER...AGREEMENT FOR STORMWATER UTILITY ASSESSMENT SERVICES WITH THE WOODS, ESTATES AND SANCTUARY AT MIAMI TRAILS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION FOR THE EVALUATION OF THE CONDITION OF THE EXISTING PRIVATE STORMWATER INFRASTRUCTURE ...20-0428-004...EXECUTED**

Moved by Commissioner Corcoran, seconded by Commissioner Humphrey, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

Recommendation of Jeremy P. Evans, County Engineer with the concurrence of Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, to execute the **Agreement for Stormwater Utility Assessment Services** by and between the Board of Commissioners of Clermont County, Ohio and The Woods, Estates, and Sanctuary at Miami Trails Homeowners Association, PO Box 552, Loveland, Ohio 45140 authorizing the County Engineer to conduct a condition assessment of the current Stormwater Infrastructure for evaluation of a potential Stormwater Utility District that would encompass the county properties located within the Homeowner Association at an estimated cost of \$16,500 to

be reimbursed by the new Stormwater Utility District or, if a new utility is not approved, by The Woods, Estates, and Sanctuary Homeowners Association pursuant to and in compliance with the terms and conditions set forth therein.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Corcoran, Yes; Commissioner Humphrey, Aye; Commissioner Painter, Yes.

**6. IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...RESOLUTION NUMBERS 078-20 THROUGH 103-20/RESOLUTIONS ESTABLISHING ANNUAL MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENTS PURSUANT TO SECTION 6137.03 OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE FOR VARIOUS SUBDIVISION PUBLIC WATERCOURSES SITUATED WITHIN CLERMONT COUNTY, OHIO... ADOPTED**

Moved by Commissioner Humphrey, seconded by Commissioner Corcoran, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

Recommendation of Jeremy P. Evans, County Engineer, to adopt **Resolution Numbers 078-20 through 103-20** resolving to establish the Annual Maintenance Assessments for the following Subdivisions located in various Townships within Clermont County, Ohio, in and as it relates to the public watercourses therefore, in the amounts outlined below, pursuant to and in compliance with Chapter 6137 of the Ohio Revised Code:

<b>Subdivision</b>	<b>Township</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Whitmore Woods Subdivision/Shayler Crossing First Addition Subdivision <b>Resolution Number 078-20</b> DC# 97-0611-009	Union	\$2,600.00
Buxton Meadows Subdivision Block I <b>Resolution Number 079-20</b> DC# 97-0611-010	Batavia	\$ 540.00
Summit Crossing Subdivision <b>Resolution Number 080-20</b> DC# 97-0611-011	Batavia	\$ 840.00
Babson Park Subdivision <b>Resolution Number 081-20</b> DC# 97-0611-012	Union	\$1,780.00
Edinburgh Place Subdivision Section D <b>Resolution Number 082-20</b> DC# 97-0611-013	Union	\$1,300.00
Rose Hill Subdivision <b>Resolution Number 083-20</b> DC# 97-0611-014	Union	\$ 580.00
Turnberry Subdivision Section A, Blocks Two & Three <b>Resolution Number 084-20</b> DC# 97-0611-015	Pierce	\$ 660.00
Rivendell Estates Subdivision Section IV <b>Resolution Number 085-20</b> DC# 97-0612-001	Pierce	\$ 460.00
Summerfield Subdivision Section Two <b>Resolution Number 086-20</b> DC# 97-0612-002	Miami	\$ 680.00
Chadwick Farm Subdivision Section 2 <b>Resolution Number 087-20</b> DC# 97-0612-003	Miami	\$ 540.00
Pleasant Acres Subdivision Section IV <b>Resolution Number 088-20</b> DC# 97-0612-004	Batavia	\$ 820.00
McCormick Place Subdivision <b>Resolution Number 089-20</b>	Union	\$ 500.00

DC# 97-0612-005		
The Reserve at the Oasis Subdivision <b>Resolution Number 090-20</b> DC# 97-0612-006	Miami	\$ 940.00
Brookeside Estates Subdivision <b>Resolution Number 091-20</b> DC# 97-0612-007	Batavia	\$ 540.00
Hopper Estates Subdivision <b>Resolution Number 092-20</b> DC# 97-0612-008	Pierce	\$ 600.00
Heritage Grove Subdivision Section Four <b>Resolution Number 093-20</b> DC# 97-0610-001	Union	\$ 780.00
Pleasant View Subdivision <b>Resolution Number 094-20</b> DC# 98-0213-001	Batavia	\$1,060.00
Hunter's Ridge Farms Subdivision/Hawthorne Meadows Subdivision Section One and Section Three <b>Resolution Number 096-20</b> DC# 98-0409-001	Miami	\$2,060.00
Deerhaven Subdivision Block A/Section 6 <b>Resolution Number 097-20</b> DC# 99-0514-001	Miami	\$ 820.00
Forest Knoll Subdivision Section IV/Block C <b>Resolution Number 098-20</b> DC# 99-1019-001	Miami	\$ 460.00
Union Station Subdivision <b>Resolution Number 099-20</b> DC# 00-0822-011	Union	\$ 660.00
Estates at Stone Oak Subdivision <b>Resolution Number 100-20</b> DC# 01-0327-002	Union	\$ 740.00
Pine Creek Subdivision <b>Resolution Number 101-20</b> DC# 02-0923-004	Miami	\$ 380.00
Deerfield Pointe Subdivision <b>Resolution Number 102-20</b> DC# 03-0605-002	Miami	\$1,160.00
Harrison Woods Subdivision <b>Resolution Number 103-20</b> DC# 13-0530-003	Union	\$ 580.00

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Humphrey, Aye; Commissioner Corcoran, Yes; Commissioner Painter, Yes.

**7. IN RE: COUNTY ENGINEER...FISCHER SUBDIVISION/BEECHMONT PARK SUBDIVISION BLOCK 1/UNION TOWNSHIP...RECORD PLAT NUMBER 629-3214 FOR THE REPLAT OF LOT NUMBERS 19 AND 20 IN FISCHER SUBDIVISION AND THE REPLAT OF LOT A IN BEECHMONT PARK SUBDIVISION/BLOCK 1 TO CREATE NEW LOT NUMBER 20A WITHIN FISCHER SUBDIVISION...20-0602-001...RATIFIED**

Moved by Commissioner Corcoran, seconded by Commissioner Humphrey, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

Recommendation of Jeremy P. Evans, County Engineer, with the concurrence of Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, to execute **Record Plat Number 629-3214** for the Replat of Lots in the following Subdivisions located within Union Township:

Subdivision	Record Plat Number	Reason for Replat
Fischer Subdivision Replat of Lot Numbers 19	629-3214	To Create New Lot Number 20A in Fischer Subdivision

and 20 Union Township		
Beechmont Park Subdivision Block 1 Replat of Lot Number A Union Township		

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Corcoran, Yes; Commissioner Humphrey, Aye; Commissioner Painter, Yes.

**8. IN RE: COUNTY ENGINEER...AWARD OF BID AND EXECUTION OF CONTRACT FOR PROJECT NUMBER PID 111649 RELATIVE TO THE 2020 PAVEMENT MARKINGS PROGRAM, LOCATED IN VARIOUS TOWNSHIPS...20-0130-008...RATIFIED**

Moved by Commissioner Humphrey, seconded by Commissioner Corcoran, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

Recommendation of Jeremy P. Evans, County Engineer, with the concurrence of Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, to award the bid for Project Number 111649 relative to the 2020 Pavement Markings Program located within various Townships, pursuant to the plans and specifications therefore, to The Aero-Mark Company LLC, 10423 Danner Drive, Streetsboro, OH 44241 for their lowest and best bid received on 06/04/2020, in the amount of \$132,151.85, and to execute the Contract relative thereto, pursuant to and in compliance with the terms and conditions set forth therein and the award of bid therefore.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Humphrey, Aye; Commissioner Corcoran, Yes; Commissioner Painter, Yes.

**9. IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...RESOLUTION NUMBER 104-20/RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COUNTY PARTICIPATION IN THE OHIO VALLEY REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION (OVRDC) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021...20-0528-002...ADOPTED**

Moved by Commissioner Corcoran, seconded by Commissioner Humphrey, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

Recommendation of Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, to adopt **Resolution Number 104-20** resolving to endorse the 2020 Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) prepared by the Ohio Valley Regional Development Commission (OVRDC) and resolving to authorize the County of Clermont, Ohio, to participate in the Ohio Valley Regional Development Commission for Fiscal Year 2021 and to remit the sum of \$39,221.00 which represents the participatory share of funding from the County of Clermont, Ohio, relative thereto on or after 01/01/2021 and further resolving to support the Ohio Valley Regional Development Commission's *Economic Development District Planning Partnership Investment Grant Program* with the United States Department of Commerce (USDOC) Economic Development Administration for planning grant funds for the annual performance period 01/01/2021 through 12/31/2021.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Corcoran, Yes; Commissioner Humphrey, Aye; Commissioner Painter, Yes.

**10. IN RE: DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT... RESOLUTION NUMBER 105-20 AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL OF A**

**QUALIFIED ENERGY PROJECT APPLICATION IN TATE TOWNSHIP,  
CLERMONT COUNTY...20-0605-006...ADOPTED**

Moved by Commissioner Humphrey, seconded by Commissioner Corcoran, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

Recommendation of Greg Bickford, Assistant County Administrator, to adopt **Resolution Number 105-20** approving the application filed with the Ohio Development Services Agency by Nestlewood Solar I LLC for a Qualified Energy Project Application located in Tate Township, Clermont County which will permit the development of an Alternative Energy Generation Facility to be owned by Nestlewood Solar I LLC, 909 Lake Carolyn Parkway, Suite 260, Irving, Texas 75039, on property identified as parcel identification numbers 323005H029/030., 323007F012., 323007K025./026. and 323007K109. pursuant to Section 5727.75 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Humphrey, Aye; Commissioner Corcoran, Yes; Commissioner Painter, Yes.

**11. IN RE: DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT...  
MOTION AUTHORIZING THE ASSISTANT COUNTY  
ADMINISTRATOR TO SIGN THE ASSIGNMENT AND ASSUMPTION OF  
COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT AREA AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF  
THE COUNTY FOR THE UNION TOWNSHIP AREA 1 COMMUNITY  
REINVESTMENT AREA...20-0605-004...APPROVED**

Moved by Commissioner Corcoran, seconded by Commissioner Humphrey, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

Recommendation of Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, to authorize Greg Bickford, Assistant County Administrator to sign on behalf of the County, the Assignment and Assumption agreement between Shenandoah-Union Company LLC and Avalon-Forum LLC which assigns certain tax abatements for the real property described in the existing CRA agreement approved March 3, 2013 at a regular session of the Board of County Commissioners, Clermont County, Ohio as described in Section 14 of the CRA Agreement.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Corcoran, Yes; Commissioner Humphrey, Aye; Commissioner Painter, Yes.

**12. IN RE: CLERMONT TRANSPORTATION CONNECTION...RESOLVE TO  
REDUCE THE SERVICE TRIPS FOR METRO ROUTE 82X AND TO  
AMEND THE AGREEMENT WITH SOUTHWEST OHIO REGIONAL  
TRANSIT AUTHORITY (SORTA), IN AND AS IT RELATES TO THE  
COVID-19 PANDEMIC...19-1213-001...ADOPTED**

Moved by Commissioner Humphrey, seconded by Commissioner Corcoran, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

Recommendation of William Harris, Director, Clermont Transportation Connection, with the concurrence of Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, to reduce service trips for Metro Route 82X (Eastgate) from five morning trips to three and from five afternoon trips to three, in accordance with Section 6 of the Agreement, by and between the Clermont County Board of Commissioners and the Southwest Ohio Regional Transit Authority (SORTA), executed on 12-18-2019 and to amend the Agreement by and between the Clermont County Board of Commissioners and the Southwest Ohio Regional Transit Authority (SORTA) executed on 12-18-2019, in accordance with Addendum One attached hereto, in and as it relates to the COVID-19 Pandemic, which has reduced the number of riders utilizing Route 82X. Notification of service changes shall be posted on the Clermont Transportation Connection website at <https://ctc.clermontcountyohio.gov/>



**LET THE RECORD SHOW:** Mr. Harris stated the Federal Transit Authority (FTA) came out with guidance in March waiving public hearings with regard to the temporary reduction of services due to Covid-19. In addition, the Department of Defense (DOD) 4702.1(b) states that if temporary changes in transportation are necessary during an emergency that public hearings are not necessary, Covid-19 has been deemed a Public Health Emergency and therefore we will not be holding any public hearings at this time in an as it relates to Metro Route 82X.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Humphrey, Aye; Commissioner Corcoran, Yes; Commissioner Painter, Yes.

**IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...ADDITION OF (1) ONE AGENDA ITEM TO THE REGULAR SESSION OF 06/10/2020...20-0102-004...APPROVED**

Moved by Commissioner Corcoran, seconded by Commissioner Humphrey, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, asked the Board to consider adding (1) one additional item to the agenda of the Regular Session of 06/10/2020 to include rejection and rebid of Project Number 6402-60141 relative to the Locust Lake Lift Station; Commissioner Painter asked for a motion to approve the addition of the agenda item to today's Regular Session.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Corcoran, Yes; Commissioner Humphrey, Aye; Commissioner Painter, Yes.

**IN RE: CLERMONT COUNTY WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT... REJECTION OF ALL BIDS HERETOFORE RECEIVED FOR PROJECT NUMBER 6402-60141 RELATIVE TO THE LOCUST LAKE LIFT STATION AND CONVEYANCE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT LOCATED WITHIN BATAVIA AND PIERCE TOWNSHIPS AND APPROVAL OF THE REQUEST TO RE-ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR SAME...18-0425-002...TABLED**

Moved by Commissioner Humphrey, seconded by Commissioner Corcoran, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

Recommendation of Ainsley Knapke, E.I., Project Manager, with the concurrence of Chris Rowland, P.E., Assistant Sanitary Engineer, Clermont County Water Resources Department, to reject all bids heretofore received on 04/30/2020 for Project Number 6402-60141 relative to the Locust Lake Lift Station and Conveyance Improvements Project located within Batavia and Pierce Townships, pursuant to and in compliance with Chapter 307 of the Ohio Revised Code relative to the terms and conditions of public bidding; and to approve the request to re-advertise for bids for Project Number 6402-60141, pursuant to and in compliance with the plans and specifications therefore, and to authorize the Clerk of the Board to place a Legal Notice in a newspaper of general circulation on Thursday, 06/18/2020, scheduling a non-mandatory Pre-Bid Meeting on Thursday, 07/02/2020, at 10:00 A.M., with bids to be received therefore until **2:00 P.M. Local Time on Thursday, 07/09/2020**, in the Office of the Board of County Commissioners, 101 East Main Street, Batavia, Ohio 45103, where they will be publicly opened and read aloud shortly thereafter. This notice will also be posted on Clermont County's website at the following URL link: [www.clermontcountyohio.gov](http://www.clermontcountyohio.gov).

**DISCUSSION:** Commissioner Painter asked Mr. Bloom what the budget was for this project and asked if it was published in the bid documents. Mr. Bloom confirmed the Engineers estimate was \$1,760,000.00, and that the estimate was provided in the request for bid. Discussion ensued with regard to the bid amounts received on 04/30/20. Commissioner Painter stated that he was informed

the Board received a letter from the second lowest bidder requesting they be awarded the bid considering they were within 10% of the Engineer's estimate. Mr. Bloom acknowledged that he is aware of the letter, however he has consulted with legal counsel and the bid documents do permit the Board of County Commissioners to reserve the right to reject all bids at any time during the bidding process for any reason and with the current economic conditions, it may be prudent to rebid this project. Commissioner Painter stated he feels the second lowest bidder should be awarded the bid and intends to vote "no" to rejection and rebid of this project at this time.

Commissioner Humphrey asked how Mr. Bloom feels about tabling this item. Mr. Bloom stated that the second bidder was \$290,000.00 more than the lowest bid which is a significant difference and we do have the right to reject all bids. Commissioner Corcoran stated she would like to see all the documentation for further review and see this placed on session for 06/17/20 for reconsideration.

**LET THE RECORD SHOW:** Commissioner Humphrey withdrew his motion to approve the recommendation to reject and rebid Project Number 6402-60141 relative to the Locust Lake Lift Station and Commissioner Corcoran agreed to withdraw her second.

Moved by Commissioner Humphrey, seconded by Commissioner Corcoran, that the Board of County Commissioners table the add-on identified as the rejection and rebid of Project Number 6402-60141 relative to the Locust Lake Lift Station.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Humphrey, Aye; Commissioner Corcoran, Yes; Commissioner Painter, Yes.

**LET THE RECORD SHOW:** A MOTION BY COMMISSIONER CORCORAN AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HUMPHREY, TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 11:15 A.M. PURSUANT TO SECTION 121.22 (G) (1) AND (G) (3) OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE TO (1) CONSIDER THE EMPLOYMENT OR DISMISSAL OF ONE OR MORE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES AND (2) CONFER WITH THE PROSECUTING ATTORNEY REGARDING PENDING OR IMMINENT LITIGATION, RESPECTIVELY.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Corcoran, Yes; Commissioner Humphrey, Aye; Commissioner Painter, Yes.

**LET THE RECORD SHOW:** THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS RETURNED FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION AND RESUMED REGULAR SESSION AT 12:21 P.M. WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.

**IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...ADDITION OF (1) ONE AGENDA ITEM TO THE REGULAR SESSION OF 06/10/2020...20-0102-004...APPROVED**

Moved by Commissioner Humphrey, seconded by Commissioner Corcoran, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, asked the Board to consider adding (1) one additional item to the agenda of the Regular Session of 06/10/2020 to include personnel actions for the Department of Public Safety Services; Commissioner Painter asked for a motion to approve the addition of the agenda item to today's Regular Session.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Humphrey, Aye; Commissioner Corcoran, Yes; Commissioner Painter, Yes.

**IN RE: PERSONNEL ACTION... APPROVED**

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**LET THE RECORD SHOW:** MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HUMPHREY, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORCORAN, TO RECESS REGULAR SESSION AT 12:25 P.M. TO RECONVENE AT 1:00 P.M.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Humphrey, Aye; Commissioner Corcoran, Yes; Commissioner Painter, Yes.

**LET THE RECORD SHOW:** THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS RESUMED REGULAR SESSION AT 1:05 P.M.

**LET THE RECORD SHOW:** A MOTION BY COMMISSIONER HUMPHREY AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORCORAN, TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 1:06 P.M. PURSUANT TO SECTION 121.22 (G) (1) OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE TO CONSIDER THE EMPLOYMENT, PROMOTION OR COMPENSATION OF ONE OR MORE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES, RESPECTIVELY.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Humphrey, Aye; Commissioner Corcoran, Yes; Commissioner Painter, Yes.

**LET THE RECORD SHOW:** THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS RETURNED FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION AND RESUMED REGULAR SESSION AT 2:07 P.M. WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.

**LET THE RECORD SHOW:** COMMISSIONER PAINTER STATED THAT THE BOARD HAD REACHED THE COUNTY STAFF/ELECTED OFFICIAL DISCUSSION SECTION OF THE AGENDA. HE INQUIRED IF THERE WAS ANYONE IN THE AUDIENCE THAT WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD. NO ONE REQUESTED TO ADDRESS THE BOARD.

**LET THE RECORD SHOW:** COMMISSIONER PAINTER OPENED THE MEETING FOR BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS. NO ONE REQUESTED TO ADDRESS THE BOARD AT THIS TIME.

**IN RE: ADJOURNMENT...APPROVED**

Moved by Commissioner Humphrey, seconded by Commissioner Corcoran,

That the Board of County Commissioners, noting no further business to come before the commission for legislative action, adjourned this Regular Session at 2:08 P.M. until the next regularly scheduled session to be held at a later date.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Humphrey, Aye; Commissioner Corcoran, Yes; Commissioner Painter, Yes.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
CLERMONT COUNTY, OHIO**

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**DAVID L. PAINTER, PRESIDENT**

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**EDWIN H. HUMPHREY, VICE PRESIDENT**

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**HOLLY CRUEY, ASSISTANT CLERK**

**06/17/2020**  
**DATE APPROVED**