

Board of Control Meeting of January 07, 2026

Bob Higham called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

ROLL CALL: Bob Higham representing Ilene Shapiro, present; Mark Potter representing Rita Darrow, present; Aquila Hollinger representing Al Brubaker, present; Christna Balliet representing Kristen Scalise; present, Phil Montgomery, present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes of the December 17, 2025, meeting were approved.

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

I. Professional Service Contracts

TABLED 12-17-25

- A. Amendment to Professional Service Contract Directive No. 062-25 for the Common Pleas Court. Directive will read as: A professional service contract is Hereby awarded to Benjamin Rich., in an amount not to Exceed \$18,000.00 to coordinate the Turning Point Program Alumni Group beginning February 2025 through December 31, 2027, ~~Compensation shall not exceed \$6,000.00 per Calander year~~ ~~And~~ the total contract shall not exceed \$18,000.00 over 3-years, As Sole Source for Common Pleas.

(Common Pleas)

Mr. Montgomery moved to remove the table.

Mr. Potter moved to Amend and approve the Professional Service Contract Directive 062-25 for the Common Pleas Court. The Directive will read as: A professional service contract is Hereby awarded to Benjamin Rich., in an amount not to Exceed \$18,000.00 to coordinate the Turning Point Program Alumni Group Beginning February 2025 through ~~December 31, 2027~~ November 30, 2026 ~~Compensation shall not exceed \$6,000.00 per Calander year~~ ~~And~~ the total contract shall not exceed \$18,000.00 ~~over 3-years~~, As Sole Source for Common Pleas. Motion passed 5-0.....Directive Remains 062-25

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- B. Amendment to Directive No. 218-25 from the Executive Office to correct the accumulative increase percent from 30% to 14% for the Change order with the Thrasher Group, Inc.**

Mr. Montgomery moved to Amend the Directive No. 218-25 From the executive office to correct the accumulative increase Percent from 30% to 14% for the Change order with the Thrasher Group, Inc.

Motion passed 5-0.....Directive Remains 218-25

- C. An agreement for instructors to conduct workout/exercise classes, classes covering subjects of weight loss, nutrition and exercise for employees from 01-01-26 through 12-31-26 as Best Practical Source.
Kohl Family YMCA at University Park
Not to exceed \$37,800.00**

(Human Resources-Div. of Employee Benefits)

Mr. Potter moved to award a professional service contract to Kohl Family YMCA at University Park in an amount not to exceed \$37,800.00 for instructors to conduct workout/exercise classes, classes covering subjects of weight loss, nutrition and exercise for employees from 01-01-26 through 12-31-26, as Best Practical Source for Human Resources – Division of Employee Benefits.

Motion passed 5-0.....DIR 001-26

- D. To provide biometric screenings and flu vaccinations for County employees and other participating public entities employees from 01-01-26 through 12-31-26, as Best Practical Source.
Akron General Partners, Inc.
Not to exceed \$50,000.00**

(Human Resources-Div. of Employee Benefits)

Mr. Potter moved to award a professional service contract to Akron General Partners, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00 to provide biometric screenings and flu vaccinations for County employees and other participating public entities employees from 01-01-26 through 12-31-26, as Best Practical Source for Human Resources-Division of Employee Benefits.

Motion passed 5-0.....DIR 002-26

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- E. To provide meal delivery services to certain income-qualified Residents, that are currently enrolled on the aging in place (AIP) program for a one-year term, for the period of 01-01-26 through 12-31-26, with four (4) options to renew for an additional one-year term, as Best Practical Source
Vantage Aging
Not to exceed \$1,500,000.00 (Economic Development)**

**Mr. Montgomery moved to award a professional service contract to Vantage Aging in an amount not to exceed \$1,500,000.00 to provide Meal delivery services to certain income-qualified residents, that Are currently enrolled on the aging in place (AIP) program for a One-year term, for the period of 01-01-26 through 12-31-26, with Four (4) options to renew for an additional one-year term, as Best Practical Source, for Economic Development
This award is subject to confirmation by Council
Motion passed 5-0.....DIR 003-26**

- F. Professional services contract to provide drug testing services for specialized docket participants for the period of 01-01-26 through 12-31-26, as Best Practical Source
Oriana House, Inc.
Not to exceed \$41,789.35 (Common Pleas Court)**

**Mr. Montgomery moved to award a professional service contract to Oriana House, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$41,789.35 for a Professional service contract to provide drug testing services for Specialized docket participants for the period of 01-01-26 through 12-31-26, as Best Practical Source for the Common Pleas Court
Motion passed 5-0.....DIR 004-26**

II. Fiduciary Contracts -

- A. Attorney services to Valor Court participants for the calendar year 2026.
Jason Wells
Not to exceed \$36,000.00 (Common Pleas Court)**

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Mr. Montgomery moved to award a Fiduciary Contract to Jason Wells in an amount not to exceed \$36,000.00 for Attorney services to Valor Court participants for the calendar year 2026 for the Common Pleas Court
Motion passed 5-0.....DIR 005-26

III. Construction Contracts - None

IV. Real Property Leases/Purchases – None

V. Purchase Contracts and Leases of Personal Property

A. Competitive Bidding Exceeding \$75,000.00 –

1. For Three (3) tactical robots for various Special Operations Teams in Ohio Homeland Security Region 5, as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder.
ICOR Technologies, Inc.
Not to exceed \$ 179,885.88 (Public Safety)

Mr. Montgomery moved to award a purchase contract to ICOR Technologies, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$179,885.88, for three (3) tactical robots for various Special Operations Teams in Ohio Homeland Security Region 5, As the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, for Public Safety
This award is subject to confirmation by Council
Motion passed 5-0.....DIR 006-26

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B. Exempt Contracts Exceeding \$75,000.00 -

1. **Purchase of road salt materials for snow and ice removal per ODOT cooperative purchasing contract.
Cargill Inc.
Not to exceed \$524,000.00 (Engineer)**

**Mr. Montgomery moved to award a Purchase Contract in an amount not to exceed \$524,000.00 to purchase of road salt materials for snow and ice removal per ODOT cooperative purchasing contract for the Engineer
This award is subject to confirmation by Council.
Motion passed 5-0.....DIR 007-26**

C. Leases of Personal Property Exceeding \$75,000.00 - None

VI. Miscellaneous –

- A. **Change Order 5 for fiber ring (Summit Connects) project Design work. Hudson Re-route, “Contract Modification #2”
Thrasher Group, Inc.
\$23,000.00 accumulative increase of 14.92% for an adjusted total amount not to exceed \$2,872,999.00 (Executive)**

**Mr. Montgomery moved to award Change Order 5 to the Thrasher Group, Inc. for \$23,000.00 an accumulative increase of 14.92% for an adjusted total amount not to exceed \$2,872,999.00 For fiber ring (Summit Connects) project design work. Hudson Re-route, “Contract Modification #2” for the Executive
Motion passed 5-0.....DIR 008-26**

- B. **Change Order 1 for additional services for the Ohio Building Relocation and coordination outside scope of the original project and quote
Quality Control Inspections, Inc.
\$40,000.00 accumulative increase of 53.5% for an adjusted total amount not to exceed \$114,800.00 (Executive)**

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Mr. Montgomery moved to award Change Order 1 to the Quality Control Inspections, Inc. for \$40,000.00 an accumulative increase of 14.92% for an adjusted total amount not to exceed \$114,800.00 for additional services for the Ohio Building relocation and coordination outside scope of the original project and quote for the Executive Motion passed 5-0.....DIR 009-26

CONSENT AGENDA:

VII. Purchase Orders exceeding \$25,000.00 up to \$75,000.00

(Excluding Professional Services, Fiduciary, or Real Property)

A. Public Safety

- 1. Requisition – TBD to Steele Industries, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$69,197.50 for two (2) night visions projects for various Special Operations Teams in Ohio Homeland Security Region 5, as lowest responsive and responsible Bidder.**

B. Common Pleas Court

- 1. General Encumbrance #TBD to provide housing and utility assistance for specialized docket participants for the period 01-01-26 through 12-31-26 not to exceed \$35,500.00. Multiple Vendors.**

Mr. Montgomery moved to award the above purchase order(s). Motion passed 5-0.....DIR 001-26(CA)

VI. Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

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