

RESOLUTION

Resolution in Support of the Local Development of Wind Power & the Cuyahoga County Fairgrounds Wind Turbine Project.

WHEREAS, Wind Energy is rapidly becoming a priority in our nation's efforts to focus on alternative & renewable sources of energy and to reduce dependence upon costly and limited fossil fuels.

WHEREAS, an over-reliance on the finite amount of fossil fuels also creates environmental concerns.

WHEREAS, The Board of Cuyahoga County Commissioners previously created the Great Lakes Energy Development Task Force which has already poised Cuyahoga County to be a leader in the United States in both harnessing wind energy off the shore of Lake Erie as well as the resulting local manufacture of wind energy components.

WHEREAS, the Energy Development Task Force, as part of its strategy for community education and engagement, supports the installation of an educational & energy-functional wind turbine located at the Cuyahoga County Fairgrounds.

WHEREAS, an educational wind turbine at the County Fairgrounds would help inform county residents about the short and long-term benefits of sustainability and renewable sources of energy, specifically wind, and pave the way for community acceptance of more wind turbines in the area.

WHEREAS, an energy-functional wind turbine at the County Fairgrounds could supply 100% clean energy to meet nearly all of the electrical needs of the fairgrounds and provide potentially \$90,000.00 savings in energy costs annually.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Cuyahoga County Commissioners that we join the Great Lakes Energy Development Task Force in supporting the efforts of the Cuyahoga County Agricultural Society Directors aka The Fair Board to place an educational, functional and productive wind turbine at the County Fairgrounds at the earliest practicable time.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the Board be, and she is, hereby instructed to transmit a copy of this resolution to James McCafferty, County Administrator and Paul Oyaski, Department of Development.

On Motion of Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Dimora, the foregoing resolution was duly adopted.

Ayes: Jones, Dimora, Hagan.

Nays: None.

Resolution Adopted.

**Jeanne M. Schmotzer,
Clerk of the Board**

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