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**COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BEGINS RELOCATION TO INTERIM LOCATIONS IN
PREPARATION FOR CONVENTION CENTER HOTEL CONSTRUCTION**
\$5 million in Construction Costs Saved by Beginning Project Early

CLEVELAND – The Cuyahoga County Administration Building will soon be demolished in preparation for construction on the new convention center hotel. Offices and departments within the current County Administration Building will relocate to interim locations until the completion of the new county headquarters, which is scheduled to be completed July 2014. **Please see the complete interim move schedule below.**

The planned Cleveland Convention Center Hotel will be constructed in the location of the current County Administration building. Expected to be completed by spring 2016, the hotel will include 600 to 650 guestrooms and employ between 450 and 500 people full-time. The costs associated with the interim move are greatly outweighed by the estimated minimum \$5 million in hotel construction savings, and the additional benefit of added revenues due to the earlier opening and operation of the hotel.

The interim move is a key step in the county's Real Estate Property Consolidation project. When the County Executive Ed FitzGerald took office in 2011 one of the first items of business was to address the county's real estate portfolio which consisted of 36 owned properties and 30 leased properties totaling over 7 million square feet. The Real Estate Property Consolidation project that has followed is estimated to save taxpayers \$84 million over 20 years. The new County Administration Headquarters, located in downtown Cleveland on the corner of East 9th Street and Prospect Ave., will be home to over 700 county employees.

As a reminder, the open date for property tax bills is December 23, 2013, and the close date is January 23, 2014. During the open and close date for property tax bills, payments can be made at Whitlach, 1910 Carnegie Avenue, Cleveland, OH 44115. You will not be able to pay this property tax bill at the County Administration Building.

If you are a member of the public with any additional questions concerning the interim move, please call (216) 443-7010.

<u>New Building and Floor</u>	<u>Departments</u>	<u>Estimated Date to be Operational in New Building*</u>
Sterling Building 1255 Euclid Ave. Cleveland, OH 44115		Monday, August 26, 2013
Third Floor	Human Resources	
Bridge Garage 2429 Superior Viaduct Cleveland, OH 44113		Wednesday, September 11, 2013
Second and Third Floor	County Planning Commission	
Justice Center 1200 Ontario Street Cleveland, OH 44113		Tuesday, September 24, 2013
Loading Dock	Mail Room	
Lakeside Place 323 Lakeside Avenue Cleveland, OH 44113		Monday, September 30, 2013
Fourth Floor	County Council	
Southgate USA 5398 ½ Northfield Road Maple Heights, OH 44137		Wednesday, October 2, 2013
	Fiscal	
	Appraisal	
	Consumer Affairs	
Lakeside 1642 Lakeside Avenue Cleveland, OH 44114		Friday, October 4, 2013
Second Floor	Inspector General	
Justice Center 1200 Ontario Street Cleveland, OH 44113		Monday, October 7, 2013
Sheriff's Department	Internal Audit	
Reserve Square 1701 East 12 th Street Cleveland, OH 44114		Tuesday, October 15, 2013
Lower Level	Fiscal Officer	
	Budget and Management	
	Financial Reporting	
	Homestead	
	Conveyance and Transfer/Map	
	Records Management and Public Information	
	Public Works – Tax Map Group	
	Procurement and Diversity	
	Fiscal Human Resources	
	Call Center	

Whitlach 1910 Carnegie Avenue Cleveland, OH 44115		Monday, October 21, 2013
Lower Level	Board of Revision - File Clerks	
	Remit	
First Floor	Fiscal Operations	
	Real Property	
	Investments	
	Treasurer	
Second Floor	Fiscal Operations	
	Taxation	
	General Services	
	Board of Revision - File Clerks	
	Information Technology	
Third Floor	Board of Revisions	
Courthouse Square 310 Lakeside Avenue Cleveland, OH 44113		Friday, October 25, 2013
Fifth Floor	Law - Risk Management	
Seventh Floor	Executive Office	
	Communications	
	Regional Collaboration	
	Law	
*Dates subject to change		