

**COLUMBUS CITY COUNCIL  
MEETING HIGHLIGHTS**

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**THE FUTURE OF THE NORTHWEST TRANSIT CORRIDOR:** Council President [Shannon G. Hardin](#) is sponsoring ordinance 2639-2019, along with Public Service chair Shayla Favor, to kick off the Northwest Corridor project. In partnership with COTA, MORPC, Franklin County, OSU, and others, the Northwest Corridor Study will establish a Vision and Implementation Strategy for the corridor consisting of Olentangy River Road from Bethel Road to W. Broad Street. This study, conducted by internationally-recognized engineering firm Kimley-Horn, will result in the development of a multi-modal transportation system supportive of mixed-use, transit-oriented, pedestrian, and bicycle friendly development patterns.

**INVESTING IN COLUMBUS' RAINY DAY FUND:** Council President Pro Tem [Elizabeth Brown](#), Chair of the Finance committee is sponsoring ordinance 2924-2019 to deposit \$1 million in the City's rainy day fund, increasing its balance to \$80.6 million – exceeding the savings goal of \$80 million by the end of 2020, one full year ahead of schedule.

**INCREASING NEIGHBORHOOD SAFETY IN SOUTH LINDEN:** Councilmember [Rob Dorans](#), Chair of the Public Utilities committee is sponsoring ordinance 2518-2019 to spend \$29,559.53 to install LED streetlights in South Linden to ensure children walking to school have well-lit walkways. This project is part of the One Linden Plan's objective of improving lighting in the area.

**GROWING A COMMUNITY GARDEN IN THE HILLTOP:** Councilmember [Priscilla Tyson](#) chair of the Health and Human Services committee is sponsoring ordinance 2796-2019 to fund a \$20,000 expansion of the Hilltop's Highland Youth Garden, which serves students from Highland Elementary and the Columbus Bi-Lingual Academy and provides opportunities for young people to participate in the Westgate Farmer's Market.

**CELEBRATING NEW NONSTOP FLIGHTS IN AND OUT OF COLUMBUS:** Councilmember [Emmanuel V. Remy](#), Chair of the Economic Development Committee is sponsoring resolution 0316X-2019 to congratulate the Columbus Regional Airport Authority on partnering with domestic airlines to increase



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access to direct flights from Columbus to cities within the West Coast region. Nonstop flights are important economic development tools that bring more jobs, visitors and prosperity to the Columbus Region, while boosting time efficiency.

**EXPANDING NEIGHBORHOOD BIKE ACCESS:** Councilmember [Shayla Favor](#), Chair of the Public Service & Transportation committee is sponsoring ordinance 2764-2019 to expand the CoGo Bike Share system by adding four CoGo Bike Share stations, 33 traditional bikes, and 30 station-based electric bikes with a total expenditure of up to \$272,425.00.

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