

**COLUMBUS CITY COUNCIL
MEETING HIGHLIGHTS**

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FUNDING THE CITY GOVERNMENT: Council President Pro Tem [Elizabeth Brown](#), chair of the Finance committee is sponsoring ordinances 2925-2019, 2926-2019 and 2927-2019, which constitute the 2020 Operating Budget for the City of Columbus. Within these ordinances are \$5.3 million in amendments by Council, with a focus on building pathways out of poverty, creating good paying jobs, and strengthening neighborhoods.

EXPANDING CITYWIDE TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES: Councilmember [Emmanuel V. Remy](#), chair of the Administration committee is sponsoring ordinance 0068-2020 to authorize an appropriation of \$32,000 to allow the Department of Human Resources to enhance the training supplies, equipment and course offerings at the Citywide Training and Development Center. These trainings are utilized often by City staff, but are open to public access.

ADDRESSING FLOODING ISSUES IN WEST FRANKLINTON: Councilmember [Rob Dorans](#), chair of the Public Utilities committee is sponsoring ordinance 0141-2020 to enter into a construction contract with Complete General Construction Company for the West Franklinton Sewer Improvement and Central Avenue Underpass Stormwater Improvement projects. These \$1,784,836.34 set of projects will upgrade to the collection system in the West Franklinton Blueprint area to reduce sewer backups into resident basements while eliminating flooding issues along South Central Avenue, north of West Mound Street.

PROVIDING HOME IMPROVEMENT FUNDS TO RESIDENTS: Councilmember [Shayla Favor](#), chair of the Housing Committee is sponsoring ordinance 0291-2020 authorizing the annual appropriation of \$2,000,000 from the Housing Preservation Fund. The funds will assist homeowners, homebuyers, renters, for-profit and non-profit developers with grants for residential projects including home repair, affordable and market rate housing. Eligible activities include renovation of existing vacant housing for residential purposes, redevelopment of vacant lots for residential purposes, and critical home repair for low and moderate income homeowners.



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RAISING FOOD WASTE AWARENESS: Councilmember [Priscilla Tyson](#) is sponsoring ordinance 0251-2020 to authorize and direct the Board of Health to accept a grant from Solid Waste Authority of Central Ohio for \$5,554.86 to fund awareness objectives of the Local Food Action Plan with the aim of reducing wasted food.

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