

## COLUMBUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

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**RECOGNIZING A DECADE OF IMPACT:** Council President Shannon Hardin is presenting resolution 0250X-2018 to honor and recognize the contributions of IMPACT Community Action as an innovator that continues to create opportunities for persons to fulfill their greatest potential. IMPACT Community Action is a Franklin County non-profit agency dedicated to piloting and creating innovative strategies that provide opportunities for vocational training and certification, career readiness, workforce development, asset development, computer literacy, financial freedom crisis intervention and empowerment.

MAKING MAJOR INVESTMENTS IN NEIGHBORHOODS: Councilmember <u>Elizabeth Brown</u>, chair of the Finance Committee, is sponsoring a collection of ordinances to authorize the sale of general-obligation bonds in the amount of \$399,795,000. The sale will fund major investments as identified in the 2018 Capital Improvements Budget, including street resurfacing, sidewalks, public safety, utilities and housing. This is also the first bond sale of Megan Kilgore as the auditor for the City of Columbus.

**SUPPORTING AFFORDABLE HOUSING:** Councilmember <u>Jaiza Page</u>, chair of the Housing Committee, is sponsoring ordinance 2353-2018 to authorize the Director of the Department of Development to transfer of one parcel located at 980 Cleveland Ave. to King Avenue Properties, LLC, to rehabilitate the property into a multi-family unit. This land bank property is a part of the Land Reutilization program and will be owner-occupied.





HONORING ORGANIZATIONS TO AID VULNERABLE RESIDENTS: Council President Pro Tem Michael Stinziano is sponsoring a resolution to recognize and celebrate the 45th Anniversary of Meals on Wheels and LifeCare Alliance on Their 120th Anniversary of Service to Central Ohio. The Meals on Wheels program provides meals to congregate dining centers and to homebound elderly, medically challenged, and disabled residents 365 days a year. LifeCare Alliance brings medical care and health education to the homes of the sick, poor and immigrant populations - those with high infant mortality rates. Both organizations have made substantial contributions to the residents of Columbus.

**SUPPORTING WOMEN, INFANTS AND CHILDREN**: Councilmember Priscilla Tyson, chair of the Health and Human Services Committee, is sponsoring ordinance 2328-2018 to authorize and direct the Board of Health to accept a grant from the Ohio Department of Health for the Women, Infants and Children Program in the amount of \$6,868,081.00 to provide nutritionally desirable food and nutrition education to pregnant and lactating women, infants, and children at nutritional risk in Franklin County who meet categorical, income and nutritional risk requirements for eligibility.

**EMBRACING A WELCOMING CITY**: Councilmember <u>Emmanuel V. Remy</u> is presenting resolution 0267X-2018 to honor, recognize, and celebrate Welcoming Week 2018. Welcoming Week, September 14-23, 2018 celebrates the growing movement of communities that fully embrace New Americans and their contributions to the social fabric of our country. It is an annual celebration that brings together thousands of people in a series of local events that celebrate and promote understanding and collaboration between all members of our community.

**SUPPORTING OUR VETERAN EMPLOYEES:** Councilmember Mitchell J. Brown is sponsoring legislation to authorize and extend a continuation of military leave with pay to City employees who are members of the uniformed services who are called to active duty. This allows for the continuation of City-provided group health and life insurance, under the same terms and conditions currently in effect for City employees and their beneficiaries.

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