

## COLUMBUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

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**CARE FOR SENIORS:** For more than 30 years, the Central Ohio Area Agency on Aging (COAAA) has helped Columbus seniors lead safe and independent lives. *Ordinance 1068-2013*, sponsored by Recreation and Parks Committee chair Zach M. Klein, allows the City to enter into fourteen contracts for the continued operation of adult day care, homemaker, personal care, transportation, education services and other programs in Central Ohio for the period July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014. Approximately 5,000 individuals are expected to be served.

CREATING A HEALTHY COLUMBUS: A community's health is influenced by a number of factors that stretch far beyond a doctor's office. Education, income, workplace and neighborhood safety all contribute to a person's wellbeing. Health and Human Services Committee chair <a href="Priscilla R. Tyson">Priscilla R. Tyson</a> is sponsoring ordinance 1103-2013 to allow the Columbus Health Department to accept a \$4,900 award from the University of Wisconsin Population Health Institute to fund the County Health Rankings Grant Program. The study will help determine what we, as a community, can do to make Central Ohio a healthier place to live, learn, work and play.

**ROADWORK SEASON:** The City of Columbus is well on its way to the summer construction season and that means numerous resurfacing projects are about to begin. *Ordinance 1098-2013*, sponsored by Public Service and Transportation Committee chair <u>Eileen Y. Paley</u>, allows the Director of Public Service to enter into a \$8,518,465.22 contract with Strawser Paving Company for the construction of the Resurfacing 2013 Project 2 and to provide payment for construction administration and inspection services. This contract consists of repairing and resurfacing forty-five (45) city streets and constructing 981 ADA curb ramps along

those streets. The work consists of milling the existing pavement, overlaying with new asphalt concrete, minor curb replacement, and replacing curb and sidewalk associated with installing ADA wheelchair ramps.

**EMS WEEK IN COLUMBUS:** Safety Committee chair Michelle M. Mills is sponsoring resolution 0067x-2013 to declare May 19-25 Emergency Medical Services Week in Columbus. The week will honor and recognize members of the Columbus Division of Fire, law enforcement, dispatchers, emergency physicians and nurses in trauma centers who provide lifesaving care to those in need.

CRAIG ANNOUNCES COMMITTEE HEARING: Councilmember Hearcel F. Craig, chair of the Veterans Affairs Committee, will hold a committee hearing Wednesday, May 29 at 5:30 pm in City Council Chambers to discuss the community services and resources that are available to veterans in Central Ohio. The meeting will be broadcast live on CTV, Columbus' cable access channel 3, on local cable systems.