



COLUMBUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

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ROAD IMPROVEMENTS: The intersection of Holt and Georgesville Road on the southwest side is a hub of commercial and residential activity. Ordinance 2463-2014, sponsored by Public Service & Transportation Committee Chair [Shannon G. Hardin](#), will allow the city to move forward with plans to widen and resurface Holt Road while adding new traffic lanes, sidewalks, and shared use paths. The city is paying for the improvements with a \$250,000 grant from the Ohio Department of Transportation.

NEW SEWER LINE: Public Utilities Committee Chair [Zach M. Klein](#) is sponsoring ordinance 2284-2016 to authorize the Director of Public Utilities to enter into an agreement with Korda/Nemeth Engineering Inc. for professional engineering services for the Rathbone Avenue Stormwater System Improvements Project. The improvements will correct road and yard flooding on Rathbone Avenue. The \$306,187 project is a joint effort of the Departments of Public Utilities and Public Service.

ACTIVE LIVING: The Institute for Active Living promotes healthy lifestyles in Columbus. Ordinance 2468-2014, sponsored by Health and Human Services Committee Chair [Priscilla R. Tyson](#), will allow the city to accept a \$49,218.01 grant from the Columbus Foundation to provide personnel, equipment, and supplies to support health-focused initiatives like Kids Cycle Columbus. Kids Cycle provides bikes, helmets,

and safety instructions to under-privileged youth. The legislation will also provide funds for the Mayor's Twilight Ride and Dish on Delish, a new cooking demonstration program.

WELLNESS ON WHEELS: Council President [Andrew J. Ginther](#) is co-sponsoring an ordinance to fund the latest initiative in the ongoing communitywide effort to reduce infant mortality in Columbus and help babies and families live healthy, happy lives. Ordinance 1293-2014 would authorize the purchase of a Wellness on Wheels (WOW) truck to expand a program that provides comprehensive healthcare services to new and expecting mothers at shelters and schools throughout the city. The product of one of Council President Ginther's budget amendments, the legislation will help the WOW program expand its services in neighborhoods that have the highest rates of infant mortality in Columbus.

NEIGHBORHOOD STABILIZATION: Development Committee Chair [Michelle M. Mills](#) is sponsoring ordinance 2464-2014, to enter into a Neighborhood Stabilization Program contract with the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC). The legislation will allow MORPC to implement program activities such as the acquisition, rehabilitation, redevelopment, or demolition of foreclosed, abandoned, and vacant properties in order to stabilize neighborhoods.