HELPING SENIOR CITIZENS: Recreation and Parks Chair Jaiza Page sponsors ordinance 2547-2015, which authorizes and directs the city to enter into contracts with 30 community agencies to provide social and nutrition services to older adults in Central Ohio during 2016. The proposal also authorizes the expenditure of $6.725 million in connection with the endeavor. The Central Ohio Area Agency on Aging of the Recreation and Parks Department was awarded federal and state grants from the Ohio Department of Aging for the continuation of services to older adults in the Central Ohio area including Delaware, Fairfield, Fayette, Licking, Madison, Pickaway and Union counties. This legislation authorizes 30 community services contracts for the provision of meals, adult day care, homemaker, personal care, transportation, home repair and legal services.

PROTECTING OUR INFRASTRUCTURE: Public Utilities Chair Zach Klein offers ordinance 2268-2015, which would authorize the city to execute a construction contract with Danbert, Inc., for the Berrell Avenue Area Water Line Improvements Project and also authorize appropriations of as much as $3.2 million in connection with the project. The project is in the North Linden area and includes several streets including: Berrell Avenue, Denune Avenue, Briarwood Avenue, Republic Avenue, Loretta Avenue, Joan Place, Brocton Court, East Hudson Street, Rankin Avenue, Myrtle Avenue, Mock Road, Sagamore Road, Brentnell Avenue, and Jermain Drive. The project is intended to replace or rehab water lines that break often. Replacement of these water lines will improve water service, decrease burden on water maintenance operations, and reduce water loss.

PROTECTING PUBLIC HEALTH: Health and Human Services Chair Priscilla R. Tyson sponsors ordinance 2586-2015, which authorizes the Board of Health to enter into a contract with Gatehouse Media Partners, Inc. to implement a vaccination and public health and awareness media campaign. The proposal also earmarks $29,510.00 for the project. These funds are to be used to implement a vaccination and public health and awareness media campaign, and must be spent by Dec. 31, 2015. Under the terms of this agreement, FCPH and CPH will inoculate Franklin County residents to combat the spread and infection of influenza (flu). Any Franklin County resident requesting a flu vaccine may receive a flu vaccination. Priority will be given to residents who are unable to pay for the flu vaccine, such as the uninsured and underinsured.

HELPING THE ENVIRONMENT: Environment Chair Fran Ryan and Councilmember Shannon G. Hardin offer ordinance 2572-2015, which authorizes the Director of Public Service to modify and increase the
existing software, software licensing, and maintenance services contract with ReCollect Systems, Inc. The proposal also adds the Waste Wizard application and adds funds for year three of the contract. In November 2013, the Department of Public Service entered into a three-year contract with ReCollect Systems to use their web application for the city’s refuse, recycling, and yard waste programs. This application allows residents to search by address to determine collection dates, to populate a printable calendar to serve as a reminder for collection dates, to receive reminders about collection days, and to sign-up to receive emailed updates about the programs. There is also an administrative dashboard which provides metrics and allows customizable schedules.

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