



COLUMBUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

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CELEBRATEONE: Health & Human Services chair [Priscilla R. Tyson](#) is sponsoring ordinance 0015-2016, which would authorize the city to contract with The Ohio State University College of Nursing, to provide formal education and certification to CelebrateOne Community Health Workers, a key component in the CelebrateOne Community Connector Corps Project funded by the United Health Foundation Grant. This new project is designed to identify, train and support resident-to-resident engagement in eight high priority neighborhoods determined by the Greater Columbus Infant Mortality Task force. The training will allow the Community Health Workers to provide this engagement to improve social and economic conditions that drive disparities in their neighborhood. This has been a project championed by Mayor Andrew J. Ginther, a former president and member of the Columbus City Council.

BOLSTERING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT: Economic Development Chair [Elizabeth Brown](#) is sponsoring ordinance 0169-2016. The legislation would authorize the appropriation of \$8.456 million from the Community Development Block Grant Fund, which would support local community development and expand access to affordable housing through various projects. This appropriation is supported by 2016 estimates of an entitlement award from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, housing and economic development repayments and other revenues.

REGIONAL COOPERATION: Public Service & Transportation chair [Shannon Hardin](#) is sponsoring ordinance 0052-2016, which pays the annual fees for the city of Columbus in the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission, which provides valuable regional cooperation and intergovernmental relations, transportation planning and information exchange with local governments in the region.

CLEAN WATER: Public Utilities Committee chair [Michael Stinziano](#) is sponsoring ordinance 3171-2015, which would authorize the city to purchase water treatment chemicals for the Department of Public Utilities and to spend \$17.5 million in connection with it to keep Columbus' water clean.

TRAIL IMPROVEMENTS: Recreation and Parks chair [Jaiza Page](#) offers ordinance 3145-2015, which would authorize the city to enter into a contract with Burgess & Niple for improvements design for the Olentangy Trail. The legislation also authorizes a \$149,977 expenditure in connection with it.