

## COLUMBUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

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**SAFE SLEEP MONTH:** President Pro Tem <u>Priscilla Tyson</u> is sponsoring resolution 0118X-2016 to declare May 2016 as Infant Safe Sleep Month in the City of Columbus. In Franklin County, an average of 22 babies die suddenly each year due to unsafe sleep practices. To combat sleep-related infant deaths, Columbus Public Health implemented a comprehensive public awareness campaign to improve safe sleep practices. The ABCs of safe sleep continue to remind the community that babies should be Alone, on their Back and in a Crib.

STREET AND CURB REPAIR: Councilmember Shannon Hardin, chair of the Public Service and Transportation Committee, is supporting ordinance 1188-2016, for the UIRF - Brick Repair & Curb Ramps 2015 project. The project consists of spot repair of brick roadways on specified streets in the Near East and German Village areas and construction of ADA curb ramps and signal improvements in the North Central and Northeast areas of Columbus.

**YOUNG PROFESSIONALS RECOGNITION:** Councilmember <u>Elizabeth Brown</u> is presenting resolution 0117X-2016 to Blake Compton for his dedication to the enrichment and growth of the community through his business and outreach initiatives. Compton is an experienced volunteer and leader in several organizations, including Wild Goose Creative, AIDS Resource Center Ohio, The Women's Fund of Central Ohio and the Columbus Idea Foundry. He was chosen by the Create Columbus Commission for its quarterly recognition of noteworthy Young Professionals in the Columbus community.

**SENIOR FARMER'S MARKET:** Councilmember <u>Jaiza Page</u>, chair of the Recreation and Parks Committee, is sponsoring ordinance 1104-2016, which enters into a contract with LifeCare Alliance for the Senior Farmer's Market Nutrition Program. This program provides vouchers for seniors to redeem at local





organized markets, including the North Market, in various Central Ohio counties. Approximately 4,500 individuals are expected to receive vouchers this year.

**POLICE REPORT FILING:** Chair of the Technology Committee, <u>Michael Stinziano</u>, is sponsoring ordinance 0988-2106, which modifies a contract for maintenance and support of the Coplogic Desk Officer Reporting System. The online police report system allows citizens to submit a report immediately and print a copy of the report for free. This service has increased efficiency for law enforcement agents saving both time and resources.

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK: Councilmember Mitchell J. Brown, chair of the Public Safety Committee, is presenting a resolution to declare the week of May 15-21, 2016 to be Emergency Medical Services Week in Columbus. Emergency medical service providers perform a vital public service. Over 1,500 members of the Columbus Division of Fire provide lifesaving care to those in need 24 hours a day, seven days a week. The Columbus Division of Fire and other emergency personnel are also hosting several events this week to promote the importance of CPR training.

**STAR COLUMBUS BASKETBALL PLAYER**: Council President Zach Klein is sponsoring a resolution to congratulate Northland High School Graduate, Alexis Ganay Peterson, on her athletic success at Syracuse University and making it to the NCAA Women's Final Four. Born and raised in Columbus and a graduate of Northland High School, Peterson was a four-star recruit, ranking 92<sup>nd</sup> overall. In addition to playing basketball, she is majoring in Child and Family Studies.

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