



## **COLUMBUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS**

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**FUNDING SOCIAL SERVICES:** The City of Columbus partners with a number of dedicated social service agencies to help thousands of Columbus residents. Health & Human Services Committee Chair [Priscilla R. Tyson](#) is sponsoring legislation that will provide funding for over 30 organizations as they work to meet the needs of their clients. These ordinances authorize the Department of Development to enter into contracts worth more than \$4.7 million to support social service agencies that provide a variety of services including access to substance abuse prevention programs, refugee and resettlement programs, senior care, services for those with disabilities, food programs, workforce development, and youth programs.

**SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS:** Chair of the Small and Minority Business Development Committee, [Shannon Hardin](#) is supporting resolutions 0042X-2016, 0043X-2016 and 0044X-2016, to approve the plans and services for the Capital Crossroads, Morse Road and Short North Special Improvement Districts. Due to their previous successes, all three SIDs will be reauthorizations of 5-10 year contracts. These districts supplement City services and include ambassador services, street and sidewalk maintenance, security, area beautification, programming and marketing.

**WATER DISTRIBUTION UPGRADES:** Councilmember [Michael Stinziano](#) is supporting ordinance 0502-2106 to enter into a contract with Schneider Electric Buildings America for \$5,236,568.50 for upgrades to the City's Water Distribution SCADA System. The SCADA system allows water personnel to monitor multiple points of contact in the water distribution system. Investing in improvements to this system helps with monitoring water quality and ensuring the safest possible drinking water supply for customers.

**FESTIVAL ENTERTAINMENT:** Councilmember [Jaiza Page](#) is sponsoring ordinance 0352-2016 to enter into a contract with Class Act Columbus, Inc. for professional and fiscal services for this year's Jazz & Rib Fest, Rhythm on the River series and other Scioto Mile events as needed. This agreement will bring in local, regional and international artists to perform at the festival and attract local and out-of-town visitors to downtown Columbus.

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