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COLUMBUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS For Immediate Release: March 28, 2016

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WOMEN'S HEALTH: Health & Human Services Committee Chair <u>Priscilla R. Tyson</u> is sponsoring ordinance 0489-2016, to authorize and direct the Board of Health to enter into a contract with Columbus Neighborhood Health Center, Inc. This contract provides medical director services for the Women's Health and Family Planning Clinic. It includes oversight for the medical functions of the clinic, gynecologic exams, contraceptive services, screening and treatment of STDs.

CONCRETE CURB REIMBURSEMENT: Chair of the Public Service Committee, <u>Shannon Hardin</u> is supporting ordinance 0715-2016, to establish funding to repay various property owners for costs associated with the construction of new concrete curbs. The City instituted the Curb Reimbursement program to compensate property owners who replace curbs in order to facilitate the replacement of deteriorated curbs at minimal cost.

WATER QUALITY: Councilmember <u>Michael Stinziano</u> is supporting ordinance 0500-2016, which increases and extends the Professional Construction Management Services agreement with URS Corporation – Ohio totaling \$6,121,000.00. This contract will provide cost effective construction management, field representation, inspection testing, support and maintenance services for various capital improvements projects for the Division of Water.

SUMMER WORK PROGRAM: Councilmember Jaiza Page, Chair of the Recreation and Parks Committee, is sponsoring ordinance 0373-2016 to enter into contract with the Central Ohio Workforce Investment Corporation to direct its summer youth program. The S.O.A.R. Hire program employs 200 youth ages 14-24 for six weeks and creates an environment for participants to develop life skills and self-esteem. It also builds on other city programs giving youth positive experiences.

STRENGTHENING ETHICS LEGISLATION: Council President <u>Zach Klein</u> is sponsoring ordinances 0084-2016, 0086-2016, and 0087-2016 for ethics legislation in the areas of disclosure for elected officials, transparency for lobbyists and campaign finance disclosure. These ordinances increase government transparency and accountability and are the first steps in City Council's ongoing process of a holistic, long-term approach to strengthening current policies.