COLUMBUS CITY COUNCIL
MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

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ENSURING SAFE SLEEPING PRACTICES: President Pro Tem Priscilla Tyson, chair of the Health and Human Services Committee and Councilmember Michael Stinziano are supporting ordinance 1452-2017 to purchase portable cribs for Columbus Public Health (CPH). This ordinance allows CPH to purchase nearly 600 portable cribs. On average, a baby dies every other week in Franklin County due to unsafe sleep practices. These cribs will ensure a safe sleep environment.

WORLD REFUGEE DAY: Councilmember Elizabeth Brown is presenting resolution 0169X-2017 to recognize June 20, 2017 as World Refugee Day. According to the United Nations, there are currently more than 16 million refugees who have fled their countries and more than 37 million who have been displaced. Columbus is proud of its history of welcoming refugees and is committed to supporting displaced persons and families seeking a new beginning.

COUNSELING SERVICES FOR POLICE OFFICERS: Councilmember Mitchell Brown, chair of the Public Safety Committee, is sponsoring ordinance 1433-2017 to enter into a contract for fitness for duty assessments, applied behavioral sciences training program and critical incident counseling. The City allocates this funding annually to ensure all new recruits are properly screened to assess their fitness to serve and police officers receive necessary counseling following traumatic incidents.

STREET IMPROVEMENTS: Councilmember Shannon Hardin, chair of the Public Service and Transportation Committee, is sponsoring ordinance 1454-2017 to enter into a contract for the East Broad Street Widening project. This contract provides the Department of Public Service with continued access to necessary resources for professional engineering, survey and technical expertise to implement improvement projects for the East Broad Street Corridor from I-270 to Outerbelt Street.
SEWER IMPROVEMENTS: Councilmember Michael Stinziano, chair of the Public Utilities Committee, is sponsoring an ordinance to enter into an agreement to construct new sanitary sewers for the Old Dublin/Trabue Sanitary Sewer Extension project. The project allows properties in the area to connect to the City’s sanitary system and increases overall water quality.

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