

COLUMBUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

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WOMEN, INFANTS AND CHILDREN PROGRAM GRANT: Council President Pro Tem [Priscilla Tyson](#), chair of the Health and Human Services Committee, is sponsoring ordinance 2462-2017 to accept a grant from the Ohio Department of Health for the Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Program. The primary objective of this program is to provide nutritional food and education to pregnant or lactating women, infants and children at nutritional risk in Franklin County who meet eligibility requirements.

CHILDREN'S HUNGER ALLIANCE FUNDING: Council President Pro Tem [Priscilla Tyson](#) and Councilmembers [Jaiza Page](#), [Shannon Hardin](#) and [Michael Stinziano](#) are sponsoring ordinance 2569-2017 to expand nutritional and physical activity programming with the Children's Hunger Alliance. This statewide organization is dedicated to ending childhood hunger and provides healthy meals and snacks to at-risk children. Additionally, a portion of these funds are for the Coordinated Approach to Childhood Health (CATCH) physical education curriculum. This program is designed to promote healthy behaviors in school-aged children and reduce their risk of cardiovascular disease.

RECOGNIZING COLUMBUS FASHION WEEK: Councilmember [Elizabeth Brown](#) is presenting resolution 0257X-2017 to recognize October 7-14, 2017, as Columbus Fashion Week. This annual, week-long event consists of fashion shows, entertainment, programming and educational opportunities. It also includes awarding a scholarship to a fashion design student. This year, Columbus Fashion Week showcases 12 local emerging fashion designers, more than 130 local models and a host of local vendors, boutiques and volunteers.

FIRE PREVENTION WEEK: Councilmember [Mitchell Brown](#) is presenting resolution 0249X-2017 to declare October 8-14, 2017 as Fire Prevention Week in Columbus. The theme of this year's week is



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“Every Second Counts: Plan 2 Ways Out!” A fire escape plan provides the skill set and know-how to quickly and safely escape a home fire situation. An effective plan includes two exits from every room in the home, a path to the outside from each exit, smoke alarms in all required locations and a place outside where everyone meets.

ANTI-TETHERING CODE CHANGE: Councilmembers [Shannon Hardin](#) and [Michael Stinziano](#) are sponsoring ordinance 2350-2017 to amend Columbus City Code Section 2327.01 and to enact new Section 2327.20 which establish regulations for the tethering of animals in Columbus. The proposed code changes help address dangerous methods of animal tethering, neighborhood nuisances and criminal activity. They are intended to target practices and manners of tethering that bring harm to animals and neighborhood residents. This code continues City efforts to promote safe neighborhoods and encourage responsible pet ownership in Columbus.

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