COLUMBUS CITY COUNCIL
MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

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RECOGNIZING MINORITY HEALTH MONTH: Councilmember Priscilla Tyson is presenting resolution 0072X-2018 to declare April as Minority Health Month in Columbus. The goal of this month is to bring awareness of health disparities in minority and underserved communities. Additionally, Columbus Public Health is promoting a campaign that will provide information on healthy living, showcase providers of grassroots healthcare resources and work to find ongoing solutions to improve minority health year round.

COGO BIKE SHARE EXPANSION: Councilmember Elizabeth Brown, chair of the Recreation and Parks Committee, is sponsoring ordinance 0478-2018 to complete the extension of the CoGo Bike Share Expansion project. Bike sharing is a rapidly growing part of urban transportation and improves the environmental health of the City. It also increases access to parks, employment centers, community centers and retail. The project adds 26 stations with bikes to the regional network.

SUPPORTING THE ARTS: Council President Pro Tem Michael Stinziano and Councilmember Emmanuel Remy are sponsoring ordinances 0732-2018 and 0733-2018 to support the Greater Columbus Film and Columbus Music commissions. These commissions promote Columbus as a prime music and film destination and serve as a central resource hub for the industries. It also creates positive economic impacts through supporting major and independent music businesses and film companies.

PROMOTING NUTRITION FOR SENIORS: Council President Pro Tem Michael Stinziano and Councilmember Jaiza Page are sponsoring ordinances 0606-2018 and 0608-2018 for the Senior Farmer's Market Nutrition Program. This program provides vouchers for seniors to redeem with local organized markets. Approximately 5,000 individuals are expected to receive vouchers.
DEVELOPING AFFORDABLE HOUSING: Councilmember Jaiza Page, chair of the Housing Committee, and Council President Pro Tem Michael Stinziano are sponsoring ordinance 0700-2018 to facilitate the production of affordable housing and enhance home ownership opportunities in Columbus with the Affordable Housing Trust. The trust combines public and private funding through a variety of sources to support the development of housing within the City. Both rental units and homeownership projects are developed.

GREENSPOT AWARDS: Councilmember Emmanuel Remy is presenting resolutions 0084X-2018 and 0085X-2018 to recognize German Village being designated a GreenSpot Neighborhood and St. Mary School being designated a GreenSpot School. Both communities have made significant efforts to minimize their impacts on the environment and Columbus.