

COLUMBUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

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RECOGNIZING JOB GROWTH: Council President [Shannon Hardin](#) is presenting resolution 0210X-2018 to recognize Columbus 2020 for helping create 150,000 jobs two years ahead of the 10-year goal. Central Ohio has transformed into an international economic center, attracting both new businesses and residents while growing hometown industries. Columbus 2020 serves as the economic development organization for the 11-county Columbus Region. It works with state and local partners to generate opportunity and build capacity for economic growth.

ALUM CREEK TRAIL EXTENSION: Councilmember [Elizabeth Brown](#), chair of the Recreation and Parks Committee, is sponsoring ordinance 1762-2018 to extend the Alum Creek Trail to the East Columbus/Krumm Park community. The connection includes a trail to Johnstown Road with bike lanes along Johnstown Road to Cassady Avenue. A second connection provides a bike path from Parkview Avenue to Krumm Park. When completed, the project will connect over 5,000 residents to the regional trail network.

LINDEN INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS: Council President Pro Tem [Michael Stinziano](#), chair of the Public Utilities Committee, is sponsoring an ordinance for the Windsor Avenue Stormwater System Improvements Project. This project replaces the existing stormwater sewer pipe located along the north side of Windsor Avenue between Joyce Avenue and the railroads in the Linden neighborhood.

NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENTS: Councilmember [Jaiza Page](#), chair of the Housing Committee, is sponsoring ordinance 1807-2018 to execute all necessary agreements and deeds for parcels held in the Land Bank. This legislation authorizes the Department of Development Director to sell and transfer 11 City owned lots to 7 separate buyers. Additionally, the Central Ohio Community Improvement Corporation (COIC) will directly transfer an additional 7 parcels for a total of 18 lots sold for new single



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family house construction. The Columbus Land Bank Program was established to improve neighborhoods by revitalizing vacant and underutilized housing units.

SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENTS: Councilmember [Emmanuel V. Remy](#), chair of the Public Service Committee, is sponsoring ordinances 1486-2018 and 1772-2018 to allocate more than \$1.1 million for sidewalk construction and pedestrian safety improvements. Work for the projects includes sidewalk and curb replacement, leveling, gutter removal/replacement or drive approach improvements. To submit a request concerning sidewalk improvements, visit the City's 311 webpage: <https://311.columbus.gov/>

HARM REDUCTION FUNDING: Councilmember [Priscilla Tyson](#), chair of the Health and Human Services Committee, is sponsoring ordinance 1666-2018 to allocate \$125,000 to increase and extend an existing contract with Equitas Health for the harm reduction program Safe Point. Clients who participate in the program are provided access to care that addresses their active substance use disorder as well as other social determinants of health. In 2017, the program provided 1,518 referrals to alcohol and drug treatment, 472 referrals for behavioral or mental healthcare services and 1,029 linkages to medical care.

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