



Common Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, October 15, 2024 at 6:30 PM

Columbus City Hall – 105 N. Dickason Boulevard

Roll Call

Mayor Hammer called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

PRESENT

Mayor Joe Hammer, Council President Amy Roelke, Alderperson Michael Lawson, Alderperson Trina Reid, Alderperson Ryan Rostad, and Alderperson Molly Finkler.

ABSENT

Alderperson Sarah Motiff

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those in attendance.

Notice of Open Meeting

Noted as posted.

Approval of Agenda

Motion made to approve the agenda by Council President Roelke, Seconded by Alderperson Rostad. Voting Yea: Alderperson Finkler, Mayor Hammer, Alderperson Lawson, Alderperson Reid, Council President Roelke, and Alderperson Rostad. Motion carried.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Consent Agenda

Motion made by Alderperson Rostad, Seconded by Alderperson Reid to approve the Consent Agenda which included minutes from the Special Committee of the Whole. Regular Council, and Committee of the Whole meetings held on 10/01/2024, in addition to mayoral appointments of Patrick Vander Sanden and Molly Finkler to the Board of Appeals and Columbus Utility Commission respectively. Voting Yea: Alderperson Finkler, Alderperson Lawson, Alderperson Reid, Council President Roelke, and Alderperson Rostad. Motion carried.

New Business

3. Consider and take action on Conditional Use Permit to allow outdoor storage at 115 Commercial Drive for Lyco Manufacturing (CoW 10/1/24).

Motion made to approve the conditional use permit by Alderperson Finkler, Seconded by Alderperson Rostad to approve the Conditional Use Permit to allow outdoor storage at 115 Commercial Drive for Lyco Manufacturing.

Voting Yea: Alderperson Finkler, Alderperson Lawson, Alderperson Reid, Council President Roelke, and Alderperson Rostad. Motion carried.

4. Consider and take action on preliminary plat for Cardinal Heights at 1400 Park Ave (CoW 10/1/24).

Motion made by Council President Roelke, Seconded by Alderperson Lawson to approve the preliminary plat for Cardinal Heights at 1400 Park Avenue.

An amended motion was made by Council President Roelke, Seconded by Alderperson Lawson to approve the preliminary plat including that Lot 2 would be accessed from Park Ave.

Voting Yea: Alderperson Finkler, Alderperson Lawson, Alderperson Reid, Council President Roelke, and Alderperson Rostad. Motion carried.

5. Consider and take action on Resolution 7-24 Special Assessments for 2024 Street and Utility Improvements (CoW 3/5/24, Council 4/1/24).

Motion made to adopt Resolution 7-24: Special Assessments for 2024 Street and Utility Improvements, residential only, by Alderperson Finkler, Seconded by Council President Roelke.

Voting Yea: Alderperson Finkler, Alderperson Lawson, Alderperson Reid, Council President Roelke, and Alderperson Rostad. Motion carried.

6. Consider and take action on Resolution 8-24 Garbage & Recycling Fee Assessment (CoW 10/1/24).

Motion made to adopt Resolution 8-24 by Alderperson Finkler, Seconded by Council President Roelke.

Voting Yea: Alderperson Finkler, Alderperson Lawson, Alderperson Reid, Council President Roelke, and Alderperson Rostad. Motion carried.

7. Consider and take action on Class "A" Beer and "Class A" Liquor License Application for Blanca's Mexican Store for Licensing period of October 15, 2024 - June 30, 2025

Motion made by Council President Roelke, Seconded by Alderperson Finkler to approve the Class "A" Beer and "Class A" Liquor License Application for Blanca's Mexican Store located at 146 W. Mill Street pending final inspection by Chief Hazeltine.

Voting Yea: Alderperson Finkler, Alderperson Lawson, Alderperson Reid, Council President Roelke, and Alderperson Rostad. Motion carried.

8. Consider and take action on Claims in the amount of \$357,112.47

Motion made by Alderperson Finkler, Seconded by Alderperson Lawson to approve the Claims in the amount of \$357,112.47.

Voting Yea: Alderperson Finkler, Alderperson Lawson, Alderperson Reid, Council President Roelke, and Alderperson Rostad. Motion carried.

Report of City Officers – City Administrator, Mayor

Police Chief Weiner discussed the Drug Take Back program being held on October 26 from 9-11am at the Police Department, they do not accept any liquids or sharps. He also discussed the recent arrest made regarding a financial scam and reminder to the community to be watchful of suspicious emails and/or bills. The police department continues to look for substitute crossing guards. He also discussed recent experience in working with the Secret Service and the motorcade that went through on Hwy 151 and blocking the on/off ramps.

Mayor Hammer shared that the City received a letter from the State Patrol complimenting the Police Department. Columbus Utilities sent 3 staff with a contingent of Wisconsin electrical workers to assist with Hurricane Recover efforts in Florida.

Adjourn

Motion made at 6:53pm to adjourn by Alderperson Finkler, Seconded by Alderperson Rostad.

Voting Yea: Alderperson Finkler, Alderperson Lawson, Alderperson Reid, Council President Roelke, and Alderperson Rostad. Motion Carried.

*A quorum of city committees and/or commissions may be present at this meeting. No action will be taken or considered by those committees and/or commissions.

Please note that these minutes are subject to approval at a future meeting.