

**COLUMBUS COMMON COUNCIL - COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
JOINT MEETING WITH THE WATER & LIGHT COMMISSION
COLUMBUS CITY HALL -THURSDAY, JUNE 3, 2010 - 5:30 PM**

The Columbus Common Council met jointly with the Water & Light Commission on Thursday June 3, 2010 at 5:30 p.m. at Columbus City Hall. For the Common Council the meeting was called to order by Mayor Link and for the Water & Light Commission the meeting was called to order by Chair Strohschein. Notice of open meeting was noted as posted.

Present for the City Council: Mayor Link and Council member Sneath (not a quorum of the Council). Present for the Water & Light Commission: Chair Strohschein, members Caldwell, Lang, Poser and Sanderson. Also present: City Treasurer Green, ED/ES Director Sobiek, W&L Superintendent Andler, Asst. W&L Supt. Anthon, interested citizens and the media.

Sobiek gave a report on the LED Street Light ad hoc Committee recommendation for the installation and maintenance of the new fixtures. The committee has prepared several recommendations on cost recovery and long term maintenance of the new LED fixtures for the Council and Commission to consider and plan to prepare the final recommendation based on the discussion tonight.

Murray Sims, the Titus Group, participated in the conversation providing information on different methods for the utility to recover costs. Before the new LED fixtures go into service the utility must apply to the PSC for a rate for the new LED fixtures. The application may need to include a memorandum of understanding between the City Council and the electric utility to cover the period of time before the upfront costs are recovered.

Both Mayor Link and Chair Strohschein requested the committee meet before the next Council and Commission meeting with a final recommendation. The next meeting of the LED Street Light ad hoc committee will be Monday June 7, 2010 at 5:00 pm. The committee will make a final recommendation for the Council and Commission meetings that will be held Tuesday June 8, 2010.

Sims reviewed the 2008 Performance Assessment of the Columbus Water & Light prepared by the Titus Group with the Council and the Commission.

A discussion of the Leadership by Example Grant - Closeout/Reports/Next Phase was deferred to the next joint meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Anne Donahue
City Clerk