

**COLUMBUS COMMON COUNCIL - REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2010 – 6:30 PM
COLUMBUS CITY HALL**

The Columbus Common Council held a regular meeting on Tuesday December 21, 2010 at 6:30 pm at Columbus City Hall. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Link and notice of open meeting was noted as posted. Present: Mayor Link, Council members Bomkamp, Bruns, Perkins, Schumann, Sneath and Walker, City Attorney Lueders, City Administrator Kraemer, City Clerk Donahue, interested citizens and the media.

Mayor Link led the Council in the pledge of allegiance. Motion by Sneath second by Bruns to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried voice vote. Peter Kaland, Kiwanis Club of Columbus, presented a check to Mayor Link from the Kiwanis Club in the amount of \$5,000 to be used toward the restoration of the restrooms at the Kiwanis Park. Mayor Link thanked Kaland and stated the community is fortunate to have the service clubs that contribute back to the community.

Mayor Link read the items on the Consent Agenda. No items were asked to be removed from the Consent Agenda. Motion by Walker second by Schumann to approve the consent agenda as read. Motion carried voice vote

Motion by Bomkamp second by Sneath to approve the contract between the City of Columbus and the Wisconsin Professional Police Association for the period January 1, 2011 – December 31, 2012 as presented. Motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote with Bomkamp, Bruns, Perkins, Schumann, Sneath and Walker voting 'Yes'.

Ordinance #657-10 "Ordinance to Amend Sec. 94-53 of the Municipal Code Regarding Distribution of Room Tax" was introduced by Mayor Link and read in its entirety by Clerk Donahue. Referred to the next regular meeting of the Council, January 18, 2011.

Ordinance #658-10 "Ordinance to Create Greater Columbus Energy Task Force Commission" was introduced by Mayor Link. Mayor Link requested language be added to allow the mayor to be one of the appointments to the commission. Motion by Sneath second by Bomkamp to add the mayor to the list of eligible members of the commission before the ordinance is read. Motion carried voice vote. The ordinance as amended was read in its entirety by Clerk Donahue and referred to the next regular meeting of the Council, January 18, 2011.

Resolution #29-10 "Resolution to Create Special Council Room Tax Committee" was introduced by Mayor Link and read in its entirety by Clerk Donahue. Motion by Sneath second by Bruns to adopt Resolution #29-10. Motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote with Bomkamp, Bruns, Perkins, Schumann, Sneath and Walker voting 'Yes'.

Resolution #30-10 "Resolution to Approve 2010 Budget Amendment Requests" was introduced by Mayor Link and read in its entirety by Clerk Donahue. Motion by Sneath second by Bomkamp to adopt Resolution #30-10. Motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote with Bomkamp, Bruns, Perkins, Schumann, Sneath and Walker voting 'Yes'.

Motion by Bruns second by Perkins to adopt Resolution #31-10 "Dedication of Improvements in Commons at Highland Ridge Condominiums" Motion carried voice vote.

Motion by Bomkamp second by Bruns to adopt Resolution #32-10 "Resolution to Accept Dedication of Improvements in Phase II of Highland Commons". Motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote with Bomkamp, Bruns, Perkins, Schumann, Sneath and Walker voting 'Yes'.

Motion by Sneath second by Bruns to authorized Mayor to sign the Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Columbus and the Columbia County Sheriff for upgrades to Police mobile data computers. Motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote with Bomkamp, Bruns, Perkins, Schumann, Sneath and Walker voting 'Yes'.

Motion by Bruns second by Sneath to authorized Mayor Link to sign the 2011 Stray Animal Contract between the City & Dodge County Humane Society. Motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote with Bomkamp, Bruns, Perkins, Schumann, Sneath and Walker voting 'Yes'.

Motion by Bruns second by Bomkamp to approve Change Order #4 on the City Hall Renovations project in the amount of \$2,578.31. Motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote with Bomkamp, Bruns, Perkins, Schumann, Sneath and Walker voting 'Yes'.

Motion by Walker second by Bruns to approve Change Order #1 on the Kiwanis Park Restroom Reconstruction project in the amount of \$3,097.00. Motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote with Bomkamp, Bruns, Perkins, Schumann, Sneath and Walker voting 'Yes'.

Motion by Bruns second by Schumann to award service contracts for the year 2011 as follows: for HVAC work to TAS Heating & Cooling; for electrical work to H&E Electrical; for plumbing work to Wright Plumbing; and for Carpentry work to Red Bud Home Services. Motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote with Bomkamp, Bruns, Perkins, Schumann, Sneath and Walker voting 'Yes'.

Motion by Bruns second by Schumann to approve payment of claims for the month of December in the amount of \$914,355.55. Motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote with Bomkamp, Bruns, Perkins, Schumann, Sneath and Walker voting 'Yes'.

City Administrator Kraemer reported on his activities since the last meeting, including all construction projects are on schedule, the Recreation Advisory Board met with the CAAC to discuss management of the pool for the 2011 season; the snow removal continues after the several storms that have fallen; the Council was asked to submit items for the 2011 work plan; work on the management study of the wastewater utility will begin soon; Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from staff.

Mayor's Report Mayor Link reported on his activities since the last meeting, including reported the LED project is continuing at long last the lights have been ordered and we look forward to being the first community in the state to take this step in as large a scale. Link reminded residents to take care driving in the winter weather. He next meeting of the Council will be January 11, 2011 for a Committee of the Whole meeting. Happy Holidays to all.

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Items placed on file through the Consent agenda:

Council Minutes – 12/7/10, 12/14/10, 12/14/10 special meeting

GCETF – 11/17/10

Senior Citizens Advisory Board – 11/04/10

Treasurer's Report – November 2010

W&L – 11/9/10, 11/19/10

Motion by Bruns second by Walker to convene to closed session per ss 19.85(1)(c) to discuss personnel, specifically City Administrator's evaluation. Motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote with Bomkamp, Bruns, Perkins, Schumann, Sneath and Walker voting 'Yes'. The meeting did not reconvene to open session.

Anne Donahue
City Clerk