

**COLUMBUS COMMON COUNCIL – COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - MINUTES  
TUESDAY, JANUARY 15, 2019 – FOLLOWING REGULAR MEETING  
COLUMBUS CITY HALL**

1. **Roll Call:** Present: Council President Traxler, alders Clark, Hendrickson, Reid, Theilen, Thom; City Administrator Vander Sanden, City Attorney Johnson, Interim Clerk Goebel, interested citizens and the media.
2. **Notice of Open Meeting:** Noted.
3. **Approve Agenda:** Motion by Hendrickson, second by Theilen to approve.
4. **Citizens Comments on agenda items:** None.
5. **Department Reports:** placed on file: Fire Department, Treasurer's Report, Police Department, Senior Center
6. **Presentation on Columbus Community Hospital Tax-Exempt Bond Financing for 2019 Facility Project:** approved to move forward with initial resolution.
7. **Review and Discuss an addition to Task Order for Water Quality & Phosphorus Abatement:** change to add Farmer to Task Order, total in the amount of \$12,500. Forward to Regular Council February 5, 2019.
8. **Review and Discuss Task Order related to Industrial Discharges into the Wastewater Treatment Facility:** set up program to include evaluating current toxic substances, create permit process, ordinance change, in the amount of \$24,529. Cost from 2019 Sewer Budget. Forward to Regular Council February 5, 2019.
9. **Further discussion of signage and safety changes around the Columbus Elementary and Middle Schools:** review sign changes/updates to parking around elementary and middle schools. Atty Johnson recommended removing references in ordinance and set code by the signs. Return to Committee of Whole February 5, 2019.
10. **Presentation from HLPC on recent donation to address maintenance issues at the Fireman's Park Pavilion:** HLPC received donation from Merle Guenther Foundation for projects at the pavilion. First project to refinish hardwood floors. Forward to Regular Council February 5, 2019.
11. **Review and discuss ordinances related to the Zoning Administrator and the permit approval process:** review process for the Zoning Administrator; change to an appointed position, appoint Planning & Development Director as Zoning Administrator and review the process and fees for permits and applications. Return to future Committee of the Whole.
12. **Discuss formalization of citywide beautification committee:** further discussion regarding creating a commission, decide funding, formalize scope. Return to future Committee of the Whole. Remove reference 106.35 from ordinances and start over. Forward ordinance change to Regular Council February 5, 2019.
13. **Discuss Deputy Treasurer retirement and plan moving forward:** agree to change to full-time position. Request report on staff structure at City Hall. Return to Committee of Whole.
14. **Consider and discuss driveway waivers for properties along James Street post construction:** It was determined several driveways along W James construction were found to be out-of-compliance with City ordinance. Waivers would acknowledge this and any changes would require compliance. Forward to Regular Council February 5, 2019.
15. **Continued Discussion and Review of Slow Moving Vehicle Regulations – proposed Ordinance:** discussion continued on proposed ordinance and where golf carts would be allowed. Return to Committee of Whole for further review.
16. **Discuss options to fill vacant District 1 Aldermanic Seat:** Will wait until after Spring Election to make decision.
17. **Adjourn:** Motion by Theilen, second by Clark to adjourn at 8:57 pm.

Submitted by:  
Pat Goebel, Interim Clerk