

**COLUMBUS COMMON COUNCIL  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES  
TUESDAY, JUNE 6, 2023**

1. **Roll Call:** Mayor Hammer called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm. Present: Mayor Hammer, Council President Roelke, Alders: Finkler, Motiff, Reid, Gray, Steiner; Staff: Bledsoe, Christensen, Atty Johnson, Hazeltine, Chief Hazeltine, Chief Weiner, interested citizens.
2. **Notice of Open Meeting:** Noted as posted.
3. **Approve Agenda:** Motion by Motiff, second by Finkler to approve the agenda. Carried voice vote.
4. **Citizen Comments:** None.
5. **Committee / Commission Minutes placed on file:** Cable commission 10/5/22, Senior Citizens Advisory Board 5/4/23, Tourism 3/6/23, Utility Commission 4/20/23 & 5/3/23.
6. **Review alcohol / tobacco license application La Latina Mexican Store LLC.** Forward to 6/20 Regular meeting.
7. **Review Resolution #5-23 2022 Compliance Maintenance Report:** Forward to 6/20 Regular meeting.
8. **Review Beautification Fundraising Request:** Return to 6/20 COW.
9. **Review recommendation from Beautification Committee for downtown banners:** Forward to 6/20 Regular meeting with Reid and Motiff opposed.
10. **Review Library crosswalk request:** Return to 6/20 COW.
11. **Review Alder request to Declare June LGBTQIA+ Month and Raise Pride Flag:** Forward to 6/20 Regular meeting.
12. **Convene to closed session per §19.85(1)(e) deliberating or negotiating the purchase of public properties, the investment of public funds, or conducting other public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session, specifically to discuss potential developments in the City of Columbus, specifically 146 N. Dickason Blvd.** Motion by Motiff, second by Finkler at 8:00 pm. Roll call unanimous.
13. **Reconvene to open session:** Motion by Gray, second by Motiff to reconvene to open session at 8:14 pm. Carried voice vote.
14. **Convene to closed session per § 19.85(1)(g) conferring with legal counsel regarding strategy to be adopted with respect to current or likely litigation – NASCO Water Quality Trading Credits Agreement.** Motion by Motiff, second by Finkler at 8:15 pm. Roll call vote unanimous.
15. **Reconvene to open session.** Motion by Gray, second by Finkler at 8:21 pm. Roll call vote unanimous.
16. **Adjourn:** Motion by Gray, second by Motiff to adjourn at 8:22 pm. Roll call vote unanimous.

Submitted by:  
Michelle Christensen, Deputy Clerk