

COLUMBUS COMMON COUNCIL – COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
TUESDAY JUNE 22, 2021 – 7:00 PM
COLUMBUS CITY HALL

1. **Roll Call:** Council President Gray called the meeting to order at 7:48 pm. Present: Council President Gray, Mayor Arnold, Alders Albright, McCabe, Motiff, Pyfferoen Reid; Staff: City Administrator Ellefson, Deputy Clerk Fude, Director of Planning & Development Schreiber, Recreation Director Meyers, HLPC Salzwedel, Police Chief Weiner, Fire Chief Koehn and interested citizens.
2. **Notice of Open Meeting:** Noted as posted.
3. **Approve Agenda:** Motion by Pyfferoen, second by Motiff to approve the agenda. Carried voice vote.
4. **Citizen Comments:** None.
5. **Department Reports:** placed on file: April 2021: Finance; May 2021: Finance, Fire, Library, Lifestar, Police
6. **Review & discuss Rotary Park donations and potential surplus equipment:** Recreation Director Meyers stated Rotary would like to donate 6-8 picnic tables, with one being ADA compliant. Donation will be for \$2,000. so, the number of tables donated will depend on the cost of shipping. Rotary asked if they could keep 4 of the tables for their own use. Forward to July 6th Regular meeting.
7. **Review & discuss Acceptance of donations – Fire Dept.:** Fire Chief Koehn accepted a \$20,000 donation in August 2020 and this is to accept future donations for fire truck restoration. Chief Koehn gave a history on the fire department. The three windows in the council chambers were the three bays for the original Fire Department. Forward to July 6 Regular meeting.
8. **Review & discuss Media Coordinator Position Description:** Cable Commission is interested in someone to manage the web site and resources, cover and broadcast city news and events, broadcast useful information for residents, and increase content for the channel, and video editing. The City is looking to enhance the media coordinator's role in communicating information to the public across platforms to make sure the information was more timely, accurate and relevant. A suggestion was to change Media Coordinator to Communications and Multi Media Coordinator highlighting the importance of communications across many platforms. Motiff asked about salary. Salary range is \$44,000 to \$48,000. Reid and Gray in favor of including salary range. Forward to July 6 Regular meeting.
9. **Convene into 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 the sale and purchase of public property in the City of Columbus.** Motion by Motiff, second by Pyfferoen to convene to closed session at 8:02 PM. Roll call unanimous.
10. **Reconvene to open session:** Motion by Pyfferoen, second by McCabe to reconvene to open session at 8:37 pm. Carried voice vote.
11. **Adjourn:** Motion by Motiff, second by Arnold to adjourn at 8:37 pm. Carried voice vote.

Submitted By:
Jane Fude, Deputy Clerk