

Agenda – Clintonville Area Commission

June 1, 2023

Community Room at Whetstone Library Branch,
3909 N. High Street, Columbus, OH 43214

Thanks to Columbus Metropolitan Libraries for hosting this meeting.
A live stream and recording will be made available on [Channel Clintonville](#) on YouTube.

7:00	<p>Call to order, Welcome, Housekeeping, Approval of Agenda – Chair David Vottero</p> <p>Commissioners Present –</p> <table border="0"><tr><td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> District 1 – David Vottero</td><td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> District 4 – Hugh Crowell</td><td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> District 7- Mike Weinman</td></tr><tr><td><input type="checkbox"/> District 2 – Brian Peifer</td><td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> District 5 – Brittany Boulton</td><td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> District 8 – Josh Hively</td></tr><tr><td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> District 3 – Donna Leigh-Osborne</td><td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> District 6 – Mark Moritz</td><td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> District 9 – BJ White</td></tr></table> <p>Absences – Brian Peifer</p> <p>Pledge of allegiance – Led by BJ White</p> <p>Announcements – none</p> <p>Approval of Agenda – approved</p>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> District 1 – David Vottero	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> District 4 – Hugh Crowell	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> District 7- Mike Weinman	<input type="checkbox"/> District 2 – Brian Peifer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> District 5 – Brittany Boulton	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> District 8 – Josh Hively	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> District 3 – Donna Leigh-Osborne	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> District 6 – Mark Moritz	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> District 9 – BJ White
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	<p>District Updates – all commissioners</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• District 1 – David Vottero<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Participated in the zone-in meeting, participated in Northside community council meeting, participates in advisory meeting for zoning changes, participated in network event for commissioners, attended CRC event to recognize Beth Stewart-Magee, met with council member Rob Dorans and representative of the mayor.• District 2 – Brian Peifer<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Not present, no updates• District 3 – Donna Leigh-Osborne<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Participated in the zone-in meeting, participated in Northside community council meeting, walked Walhalla Art Walk, participated in Bike-to-Work event.• District 4 – Hugh Crowell<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Participated in the zone-in meeting• District 5 – Brittany Boulton<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Attended the zone-in meeting, participated in Northside community council meeting and communicated concerns about Cooke entrance to 71-North, concerns about deer population,○ Deer Population Meeting: A representative from the Ohio Department of Natural Resources will hold a meeting at Gethsemane Lutheran Church, 35 E. Stanton on Tuesday, June 13, at 7:00pm for anyone interested in discussing the over population of deer in the city.• District 6 – Mark Moritz<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Attended the zone-in meeting, participated in Northside community council meeting, participated in network event for commissioners, participated in the ride of silence in memory of cyclists who were killed in traffic, in 2022, there were 11 cycling fatalities in									

	<p>Ohio, and there have already been 8 in 2023, but the event also allowed him to see Clintonville at its best – quite, clean, friendly without loud, stinky, and speeding cars.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • District 7 – Mike Weinman <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ No updates • District 8 – Josh Hively <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ No district-specific updates, participated in Northside community council meeting, concerns about speeding at Morse Road. • District 9 – BJ White <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Meeting with Stu Nicholson about natural noise abatement for railroad, concerns about railroad ties, complaints about loud motorcycles on Lincoln Avenue, concerns about deer in the neighborhood, attended Memorial Day service at Walnut Grove and was distracted by trash behind multi-family housing in Broadmeadows, is wrapping up 2nd term as commissioner for District 9, and received appreciation from residents.
	<p>Approval of Past Meeting Minutes – Ad Hoc Secretary Moritz Minutes Approved</p>
	<p>Treasurer’s Report – Treasurer White We are waiting for memorandum of understanding and new 2023-2024 budget from the city. And we need a new treasurer when commissioner White is ending her term in January.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beginning Balance – \$0 • Ending Balance – \$0 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Expenses – NA
	<p>Update from City of Columbus – <i>Representatives from Department of Neighborhoods – Rebecca Deeds</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction of new Neighborhood Liaison, Dr. Katherine “Swid” Swidarski (KASwidarski@columbus.gov). • AC fiscal reporting for the 22-23 fiscal year was due 5/31. • CAC should approve a 23-24 budget as soon as possible and submit the completed MOU to the Department of Neighborhoods as soon as possible, to expedite receipt of 23-24 funds. • Next AC training is on Trauma Responsive Civic Leadership and will be held via Webex on Wednesday, June 14th, from 6 to 7:30 PM. • Rise Up Columbus community events continue throughout the city. • Weekly recycling pick-up begins the week of June 12th. • Marketing materials for the CAC election on August 26th are available for distribution. <p><i>City Council – Harrison Poku-Yeboah</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • City Council Highlights <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Council President Hardin funds grants for summer youth programming ○ Council Pro Tem Dorans provides an ordinance for childhood lead testing to Columbus residents ○ Council member Bankston continues the urban business connection program ○ Council member Remy funds to increase for cleaner Columbus employment • Dates to remember (Location: City Hall) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Gun Violence Awareness Illumination June 2nd 8pm ○ Council member Padilla will host a hearing on Vision Zero Action Plan June 8th 5.30pm • Budget Hearing Dates and Locations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ June 6th at 6 PM Scioto Southland Community Center, 3901 Parsons Ave, Columbus, OH 43207 ○ June 7th at 6 PM Howard Community Center, 2505 N Cassady Ave, Columbus, OH 43219 ○ June 13th at 4 PM Virtual Community Conversation

Jenny Doan and Rosalie Hendon, Natural Resource Analyst, Columbus Recreation and Parks Department

- Presentation of the 5 Year Management Plan Update for the Whetstone prairie and its importance for pollinators and biodiversity. LINK TO PLAN or PRESENTATION. Commissioner Crowell made a major contribution to the 5-year plan and is thanked by all. The commission is very supportive of the efforts.

CAC Elections Committee Update – Chair Melissa Doll

- Elections is August 26, 2023. Candidacy packages are available in library and online on the CAC website. Deadline for submitting candidacy packages is June 20th.

Zoning and Variance Agenda – Zoning and Variance Chair Hardwick

1. GC23-015, 5300 N. High St. The applicant seeks a variance to allow for a 131 sq. ft. sign on the north side of the building where the applicable overlay requires a sign no larger than 30 sq. ft. CC3372.706(D)(3).

Applicant presentation:

- Westside has many constraints that make signage difficult, but northside frontage offers space for signage and it has the primary entrance and parking.

Commissioner comments:

- Commissioner Vottero: can you explain what the building will be used for?
- Applicant: it will be workforce program and retail.
- Commissioner Moritz: will you reduce light at night?
- Applicant: there will be a timer and less bright light.

Audience comments:

- Dan Walters, Riverside Drive: question about parking and traffic.
- Letter from Kimberly Hunt with concerns about traffic and signage.

Commissioner	Vote – Yes	Vote - No	Vote - Abstain	Absent
District 6 – Moritz	X			
District 8 – Hively	X			
District 4 – Crowell	X			
District 5 – Boulton	X			
District 1 – Vottero			x	
District 3 – Leigh-Osborne	X			
District 9 – White	X			
District 2 – Peifer				X
District 7 - Weinman	x			

2. BZA 23-050, 185 Brevoort Rd. In order to legitimize and keep the garage in front (240 sq. ft.) and replace the garage in the rear with a new 24' x 26' detached garage, the applicant seeks variances to:

1. Increase the maximum square footage of a garage from 720 sq. ft. to 864 sq. ft. (behind the house), CC3332.38(F)(1);

2. Reduce the building setback from the right of way for a garage from 10 ft. to 0 ft (in front of the house). CC3332.38(C).

Applicant presentation:

- The existing garage is built in the hill and cannot be easily removed. New garage will not go beyond maximum square footage.

Commissioner comments:

- Commissioner Crowell: will new garage be higher than 15 feet?
- Applicant: no.

Vote is on both motions.

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District 7 - Weinman	x			

3. BZA 23-052, 4586 Starret Rd. To raze and rebuild a single-unit dwelling, the applicant asks to reduce the required rear yard from 25% to 14.3% (the yard is currently 9.6% of the property, but rebuilding the house likely triggered a return to the 25% requirement). CC3332.27.

Applicant presentation:

- Because of condition of the house, it is better to rebuild. Current code does not fit position of other houses in the street.

Commissioner comments:

- None

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	<p>CAC Chair Updates – Chair Vottero</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The feedback we received from Robert Tobias, Asst. General Counsel was to consider adding language in a conspicuous location on the Commission’s website stating: “Any communication submitted through this website or via email to the CAC is subject to release under Ohio’s public records law.” My recommendation is to ask the Technology & Public Relations Committee to add this statement to our website. • The City has been slow to advise us on how to structure feedback input to the creation of the Capital Improvement Budget. In the absence of better direction, I am asking Commissioners to submit their thoughts for needs in the community which can be addressed through the Capital Improvement Budget. I will collect and organize those thoughts into a format for discussion at the July Meeting. Please submit thoughts within the next two weeks to aid in organizing and distributing the CIB requests at the July Meeting. • Next meeting is July 6th, 2023.
	<p>Public Comment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sally Simbro (Orchard): great turnout at Zone-in meeting in Clintonville, participated in next Zone-in meeting organized by the city, which was less well attended. • Graig Nutter (North Broadway): participated in the in Northside community council meeting and conveyed concern about deer, traffic, and police response. Two accidents at the North Broadway – drivers speed. Asks to reduce speed to 25 in Clintonville.
	<p>Adjourn – at 8:36 PM</p>