Meeting Minutes of the Clintonville Area Commission
April 2, 2026

Community Room at Whetstone Library Branch
3909 N. High Street, Columbus, OH 43214
Thanks to Columbus Metropolitan Libraries for hosting this meeting.
A recording will be made available on Channel Clintonville on YouTube.

7:00	**Call to order, Welcome, Housekeeping, Approval of Agenda** – Vice chair Lada **Commissioners Present** ☒District 1 – Paul Lada ☒District 4 – Angela Sausser ☒District 7- Mike Weinman ☒District 2 – Brenda Arnold ☐District 5 – Brittany Boulton ☒District 8 – Josh Hively ☒District 3 – Will Klatt ☒District 6 – Mark Moritz ☒District 9 – Drew Miller **Absences** – Boulton (excused) **Pledge of Allegiance –** all **Announcements** – none **Approval of Agenda –** all

	District Updates – all commissioners
	• **District 1 – Paul Lada**
	  ○ Update on Street and alley lights that are out in the district – submitted 311 request; South Clintonville Block Watch organizes a cleanup.
	• **District 2 – Brenda Arnold**
	  ○ Reported on construction on West North Broadway which makes it difficult for resident to access driveway, worked with Stacey Buttel to solve the problem; butchering of live animal in resident's backyard, worked with Stacey Buttel to learn about code – it is legal, but there are rules; clean-up crew of young people on West North Broadway is seeking to engage other clean-up crews for a healthy competition!
	• **District 3 – Will Klatt**
	  ○ Update on newsletter and meeting with Spotlight editor.
	• **District 4 – Angela Sausser**
	  ○ Attended Zone-In training, report on illegal food dumping in the district.
	• **District 5 – Brittany Boulton**
	  ○ NA
	• **District 6 – Mark Moritz**
	  ○ Participated in a City of Columbus Housing Workshop – Northeast organized by The Neighborhood Design Center and reported on yet another crash at intersection of North High Street and Deland Avenue – every month there is a crash and often cars end up on the sidewalk – submitted a 311 request for a change of the intersection.
	• **District 7 – Mike Weinman**
	  ○ Nothing to report.
	• **District 8 – Josh Hively**

- Nothing to report.

- **District 9 – Drew Miller**
  - Nothing to report.

Approval of Past Meeting Minutes – Secretary Moritz

- Minutes approved (one abstention – commissioner Miller)

Treasurer's Report – Treasurer Miller

- Report on expenses and remaining funds ($1,393.09), which have to be used before the end of the month, otherwise it will go back to the city coffers.

Update from City of Columbus

Representatives from Department of Neighborhoods – Stacey Buttel

- Update on fiscal year that ends at the end of the month; call for applications for National Night Out Grants – deadline is May 1st; the Department of Neighborhoods has developed a handbook to assist area commissioners (see attachment); and the Columbus Public Health has released their 2026 resource lists.

Update from the Clintonville Beechwold Community Resources Center – Stephanie Baker

- Update on current needs of the center; lots of new clients (469 families in 2026); food donations are welcome, but financial donations are more useful; there are also volunteer opportunities; easiest way to donate and sign up for volunteer opportunities is online: https://www.clintonvillecrc.org.

Columbus Zone-In Update – Mark Dravillas

- Updates on Zone-In process; meetings with Commission Area chairs, Zoning and Variance chairs, Planning and Development chairs; and outreach and engagement activities and ways to provide feedback during the 60-Day public comment period this coming summer.
- Question from commissioners and audience about survey from Zone-In, phase three (change of residential code) and Columbus Growth Strategy (policy), timing of City Council for vote, zoning public schools, the purpose of the Zone-In initiative (https://zone-in-columbus.hub.arcgis.com), comment about preserving historical buildings and investments from out-of-state companies in real estate in Clintonville.

CAC/Rotary Meeting Update – Vice chair Lada

- Discussion of the topics discussed at the meeting, in particular traffic safety in Clintonville and development of coalition of civic groups that can address this and other issues.

Update from City of Columbus Blueprint – Cameron Keir

- Updates on upcoming lateral lining project in Clintonville (see presentation attached); public meeting on April 23 at 5:30 6 pm at Whetstone High School.

Zoning and Variance Agenda – Zoning and Variance Chair Hardwick

Variance agenda: GC26-011, 4405 Scenic Dr., Whetstone High School. Application. The Columbus City Schools Board of Education seeks three variances from CC3375.15 banner standards:

1. To increase the number of banners from 1 to 4; 2 banners per light pole.
2. To increase the display time for a banner from 30 days to indefinitely.
3. To increase the graphic area from 16 sq.ft. for banners to 48 sq.ft. (total square footage of all banners).

Commissioner	Vote – Yes	Vote - No	Vote - Abstain	Absent
District 6 – Moritz	1			
District 9 – Miller	1			
District 4 – Sausser	1			

District 8 – Hively	1			
District 5 – Boulton				1
District 1 – Lada	1			
District 2 – Arnold	1			
District 3 – Klatt	1			
District 7 – Weinman	1			

- Discussion of variance application for 430 E. Kanawha, which the commission reviewed at the March 2026 meeting; there is no change in construction plans, but the applicant was asked to pursue a variance to Section 3332.029, SR-suburban residential district (from 3332.37B Home Occupation). Zoning and Variance chair Hardwick communicated that vice-chair Lada can declare that this change in variance does not to be reviewed by the commission. Vice chair Lada did so.

Our City, Our Say campaign presentation – Commissioner Klatt

- Update on charter amendment for city elections, which is an initiative of area commissioners and others, the coalition will give presentation at commission meetings throughout the city in the coming months, for more information visit: https://ourcityoursay.com/the-problem/.

Announcement of Next Meeting – The next meeting will be at 7 pm on Thursday, May 7, 2026, at Whetstone Library.

Public Comment:

- One resident asked how to learn about how the city works and audience members provided recommendations, including reading the Spotlight, meet with neighborhood liaisons, attending public meetings of the commission, city council, and city departments like Zone-In, Blueprint Columbus, read Columbus Underground, and signing up for the Rooster newsletter.

8:55 **Adjourn**