

**COLUMBUS COMMON COUNCIL – COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
TUESDAY, JANUARY 5, 2016 – 6:54 PM
COLUMBUS CITY HALL**

The Columbus Common Council held a Committee of the Whole meeting on Tuesday January 5, 2016 at 6:54 pm at Columbus City Hall. The meeting was called to order by Council President Thom and notice of open meeting was noted as posted. Present: Mayor Crombie, Council members Clark, Melotte, Reid, Royem, Rule and Thom, City Attorney Johnson, City Administrator Vander Sanden, City Clerk Donahue, interested citizens and the media.

Motion by Royem second by Rule to approve the agenda with item #8, Broadway Theater Association Update, tabled. Hearing no objections, Chair Thom announced the agenda approved.

Eric Anthon, Superintendent Columbus Water & Light, presented information on an interest free load program through WPPI Energy for electric system projects. The CW&L Commission will be applying to the loan program in 2016. The utility would use the funds to purchase a new electric metering system at an estimated cost of \$261,721. Referred to the next regular meeting of the Council, January 19, 2016.

The report of the Quarterly Public Infrastructure Team Meeting of 12/04/15 was accepted as presented.

The use of the State Bad Debt Collection System for past due accounts was referred to the next regular meeting of the Council, January 19, 2016. .

The early payoff of the State Trust Fund Loan was tabled until after the ad hoc Committee on Finance meets to discuss the 2016 projects and financing plan.

Amendment #1 to the Intergovernmental Agreement for the Shared Use of Facilities between the Columbus School District and the Columbus Council was presented. The agreement includes the use of the Columbus Council chambers by the School Board for taping and broadcasting the School Board meetings as well as use of school properties and city athletic fields. Referred to the Cable Commission and the next regular meeting of the Council, January 19, 2016.

The meeting adjourned at 7:26 pm on a motion by Royem second by Rule. Motion carried voice vote.

Anne Donahue
City Clerk