

**COLUMBUS COMMON COUNCIL – REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, MARCH 29, 2016 – 6:30 PM
COLUMBUS CITY HALL**

The Columbus Common Council held a regular meeting on Tuesday March 29, 2016 at 6:30 pm at Columbus City Hall. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Crombie and notice of open meeting was noted as posted. Present: Mayor Crombie, Council members Clark, Melotte, Royem and Rule, City Attorney Johnson, City Administrator Vander Sanden, City Clerk Donahue, interested citizens and the media. Excused Reid, Thom.

Mayor Crombie led the Council in the pledge of allegiance. Motion by Royem second by Rule to approve the agenda as posted. Motion carried voice vote.

Citizen comments included: Annette Reno, 647 S Charles St, to object to the sidewalks included in the 2016 Street Improvement Projects on S Charles St. and the loss of the trees on S Charles St. Reno added some of the driveways will not be useable for parking cars because the driveways would be shortened.

Roger Haag, 647 S Charles St, to object to the sidewalks included in the 2016 Street Improvement Projects on S Charles St. and the loss of the beautiful trees on S Charles St.

Tom Cullen, 649 S Charles St, with a petition signed by the property owners on the southeast side of S Charles St asking the Council to rescind the sidewalk construction on the southeast side of the street as part of the proposed Charles Street reconstruction project.

Patrick Croft, 608 S Charles St, objecting to the sidewalks included in the 2016 Street Improvement Projects on S Charles St. because of the loss of the trees and the replacement of his sidewalks that are in good condition.

Ruth Hermanson, 519 Richmond St, to object 651 Richmond St to object to the sidewalks included in the 2006 Street Improvement Projects on S Charles St, and the loss of the trees on S Charles.

Mary Ellen Yarwood, 654 S Charles St, to object to the sidewalks included in the 2016 Street Improvement Projects on S Charles St. Yarwood would lose all 5 of her trees and would lose her garden (planted in the tree border).

Kim Lang, Senior Center Director, introduced herself and invited everyone to visit the center.

Mayor Crombie read the items on the Consent Agenda. No items were asked to be removed from the Consent Agenda. Motion by Clark second by Royem to approve the Consent Agenda as read. Motion carried voice vote.

Motion by Royem second by Clark to adopt Ordinance 720-16, Ordinance to Repeal and Recreate Chapter 46, Floodplain Regulations. Motion carried 4-0 on a roll call vote with Clark, Melotte, Royem and Rule voting "Yes".

Motion by Clark second by Royem to approve Amendment to Developer Agreement for Highland Ridge Addition #1 Phase 2 as presented with the changes from City Attorney Johnson. Motion carried 4-0 on a roll call vote with Clark, Melotte, Royem and Rule voting "Yes".

Motion by Royem second by Rule to approve the improvements to Police Department basement with E&W Home Improvement in the amount of \$3,460; Columbus Flooring in the amount of \$3,295.80; TAS Heating & Cooling in the amount of \$498 and HE & Security in the amount of \$410. Motion carried 4-0 on a roll call vote with Clark, Melotte, Royem and Rule voting "Yes".

Motion by Royem second by Clark to approve Task Order 2016-02 with Ruckert Mielke for the 2016 Street Maintenance in the amount of \$6,500. Motion carried 4-0 on a roll call vote with Clark, Melotte, Royem and Rule voting "Yes".

Motion by Clark second by Rule to approve Task Order 2016-03 with Ruckert Mielke for the 2016 Sanitary Sewer Collection System Repairs in the amount of \$11,357. Motion carried 4-0 on a roll call vote with Clark, Melotte, Royem and Rule voting "Yes".

Motion by Royem second by Clark to approve the design plans for accessibility improvements to the Firemen's Park Pavilion. Motion carried 4-0 on a roll call vote with Clark, Melotte, Royem and Rule voting "Yes".

Motion by Royem second by Rule to approve the request of Olena/Green for approval of a Certified Survey Map. Motion carried 4-0 on a roll call vote with Clark, Melotte, Royem and Rule voting "Yes".

Motion by Royem second by Melotte to approve the request of Olena/Green for approval of rezoning of parcels contained in the Certified Survey Map.

Motion by Royem second by Clark to approve the Proclamation for 2016 Arbor Day. Motion carried voice vote.

Motion by Royem second by Rule to grant operator licenses to Robert Schoenherr and Lee Otto. Motion carried 4-0 on a roll call vote with Clark, Melotte, Royem and Rule voting "Yes".

Motion by Melotte second by Royem to approve payment of claims in the amount of \$366,633.81. Motion carried 4-0 on a roll call vote with Clark, Melotte, Royem and Rule voting "Yes".

The meeting adjourned to closed session at 7:17 pm on a motion by Clark second by Rule per ss 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 specifically to review terms of offer to purchase for 1149 W James St. Motion carried 4-0 on a roll call vote with Clark, Melotte, Royem and Rule voting "Yes".

The meeting reconvened to open session at 7:25 pm on a motion by Clark second by Melotte. Motion carried voice vote.

Fire Chief Koehn reviewed with the Council concerns of the department for the fire station and the lack of space on the existing site. 8 different sites around the city were considered for a new station. One site met the accessibility and size requirements and the owners agreed to sell.

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Motion by Clark second by Melotte to authorize the mayor and clerk to sign the offer to purchase for 1149 W James St in the amount of 700,000. Motion carried 4-0 on a roll call vote with Clark, Melotte, Royem and Rule voting “Yes”.

Mayor Crombie and the Council thanked Fire Chief Koehn for his work locating a site. There are no immediate plans to begin construction.

Items placed on file through the Consent Agenda:

Council Minutes – 03/15/16, 03/22/16

Ad Hoc Committee – Financial Polices – 02/11/16

PFC – 03/21/16

Tourism Commission – 02/25/16

W&L Commission – 02/11/16

Street Closing Request: Color Columbus Run, May 4, 2016

Library Board – 02/16/16

Senior Center Advisory – 02/04/16

Treasurer’s Report – February 2016

The meeting adjourned at 7:34 pm on a motion by Royem second by Clark. Motion carried voice vote.

Anne Donahue
City Clerk