

Columbus Tourism Committee Minutes

August 6, 2015
Columbus City Hall
Council Chambers

Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm by Thom.

Members present: Crombie, Thom, Traxler, O’Brion and Salter.

Members absent: Achterberg (excused)

Staff present: Dave Carlson-Economic Development & Marketing Assistant

Quorum determined.

Notice of posted meeting was announced by Thom.

Motion by Crombie, seconded by O’Brion to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Motion by O’Brion, seconded by Salter to approve minutes of June 25, 2015. Motion carried.

New business:

Columbus Community Calendar Room Tax Request-Cailin Lueders from the Columbus Senior Center, appeared on behalf of the Columbus Community Calendar consortium which is requesting \$154 from room tax funds to support the on-line listing of community events. Lueders gave an overview of the partnership and the kinds of events it lists on the pages. She also discussed promotional efforts for the calendar, including the creation of bookmarks which can be distributed, telling people how to access the calendar. **Motion by Traxler, seconded by Salter to recommend the request be approved by the Columbus City Council.**

Report on 2015 Columbus Carriage Festival-Susan Koos Acker appeared on behalf of the group and thanked the City for its support. She indicated that the Festival did not use all of the money it was approved for in the Room Tax grant from the city. She said that her group is looking at ways to grow the event next year, possibly by adding a craft show and/or antique/collectible car show.

Old business:

The committee reviewed changes made to the Columbus Room Tax Fund application form at the June 25, 2015 meeting. The committee then discussed and approved additional changes to the form which will be incorporated into a draft which Dave Carlson will distribute at the next meeting.

Next meeting: The committee agreed to hold its next meeting on Wednesday, August 26th at 6:00 p.m.

Motion by O’Brion, seconded by Traxler, to adjourn the meeting at 8:03 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by Dave Carlson, Secretary