



COLUMBUS CITY COUNCIL Agenda Highlights for July 12, 2010

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PUBLIC HEARING TO DISCUSS DOWNTOWN STRATEGIC PLAN: Councilmember [Andrew J. Ginther](#), chair of the Finance & Economic Development Committee and Councilmember [Priscilla R. Tyson](#), chair of the Development Committee, will hold a joint public hearing on Tuesday, July 13, 2010 at 5:30 p.m. in City Council Chambers to discuss the proposed Downtown Strategic Plan as endorsed by the Columbus Downtown Commission. The 2010 Downtown Strategic Plan creates an overall vision for downtown economic development for the next 10 years. The proposed plan will serve as a guide for development, redevelopment, and the planning of future public improvements within the Central Business District. The goal of the plan is to provide residential opportunities, business development, job creation, recreation, dining, transportation and entertainment options which are key factors to the long-term economic success of Columbus and the Central Ohio region.

IMPROVING CITY STREETS: Public Service Committee Chair [Hearcel F. Craig](#) is sponsoring two pieces of legislation to resurface 43 streets in the city of Columbus. *Ordinance 0988-2010* authorizes the expenditure of \$4,851,067.00 for the Resurfacing 2010-Project 4 and *ordinance 0989-2010* authorizes the expenditure of \$4,035,049.00 for the Resurfacing 2010-Project 5. Project 4 will repair and resurface 7 city streets and construct 260 ADA curb ramps. Project 5 will repair and resurface 36 city streets and construct 335 ADA curb ramps. The work for both projects consist of milling the existing pavement, overlaying with new asphalt concrete, and replacing curbs and sidewalks associated with the installation of the ADA wheelchair ramps. [Click Here](#) for a complete list of city streets included in both projects.

CONNECTING BROADBAND ACCESS STATEWIDE: Administration Committee Chair [A. Troy Miller](#) is sponsoring *ordinance 0998-2010* to authorize the expenditure of \$31,200 for fiber network and broadband access and related services with The Ohio State University and the Ohio Supercomputer Center (OSC). The OSC is a local non-profit educational institute and the provider of the State of Ohio's OSCnet. OSCnet provides advanced technology by linking communities, universities, and colleges through a network. The system provides internet information transmission to support education, research, health care and economic development programs throughout the state. The agreement allows Ohio State and the city of Columbus to work together to connect OSCnet's statewide network to the Columbus community fiber network.

CONTINUING THE LEAD SAFE COLUMBUS PROGRAM: The Lead Safe Columbus program offers resources to remove hazardous lead-based materials for eligible property owners. Funding was provided through the 2007 Lead Hazard Reduction Demonstration Grant from the Office of Healthy Homes and Lead Hazard Control of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The grant included contingency funding. Housing Committee Chair [Charleta B. Tavares](#) is sponsoring *ordinance 0993-2010*, which authorizes the expenditure of \$66,561.33 of unspent contingency funds from the General Government Grant Fund for continuation of the program. The funding will enable the program to continue to be publicized and promote educational activities about healthy housing principles and neighborhood revitalization efforts. The program demonstrates the city's commitment to generating lead-safe affordable housing and the prevention of lead poisoning in children and adults.

SUPERVISING OMVI OFFENDERS: Judiciary & Court Administration Committee Chair [Eileen Y. Paley](#) is sponsoring *ordinance 0981-2010* to accept a grant in the amount of \$346,205 from the State of Ohio, Department of Rehabilitation and Correction for the Probation Department of the Franklin County Municipal Court. The grant funding will be used to pay for the work release program and fund the salaries and benefits of three probation officers who will perform specialized supervision to individuals with multiple convictions for operating a vehicle under the influence of alcohol or drugs.