

Common Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, November 19, 2024 at 6:35 PM

Columbus City Hall - 105 N. Dickason Boulevard

Roll Call

Mayor Hammer called the meeting to order at 6:57pm. Council Members present included: Alderperson Molly Finkler, Mayor Joe Hammer, Alderperson Michael Lawson, Alderperson Trina Reid, Council President Amy Roelke and Alderperson Ryan Rostad.

ABSENT

Alderperson Sarah Motiff was excused.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those in attendance.

Notice of Open Meeting

Noted as posted.

Approval of Agenda

Motion made by Council President Roelke, Seconded by Alderperson Finkler to approve the agenda.

Voting Yea: Alderperson Finkler, Alderperson Lawson, Alderperson Reid, Council President Roelke, and Alderperson Rostad. Motion carried.

Consent Agenda

Motion made by Alderperson Finkler, Seconded by Alderperson Reid to approve the Consent Agenda which included minutes from the Public Hearing, Council and Committee of the Whole meetings held on 10/29/2024, and the 2024 Wine Walk (11/30/24) Picnic License.

Voting Yea: Alderperson Finkler, Alderperson Lawson, Alderperson Reid, Council President Roelke, and Alderperson Rostad. Motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

Public Comment

None.

New Business

3. Consider and take action on Resolution 11-24: Special Assessments for 2024 Street and Utility Improvements (CoW 3/5/24, Council 4/1/24)

Motion made by Alderperson Finkler, Seconded by Council President Roelke to approve Resolution 11-24: Final Resolution Authorizing Public Improvements and Levying Special Assessments Against Benefited Properties for the 2024 Street and Utility Improvements for Commercial Drive.

Voting Yea: Alderperson Finkler, Alderperson Lawson, Alderperson Reid, Council President Roelke, and Alderperson Rostad. Motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

4. Consider and take action on Resolution 12-24: A Resolution to Grant a Temporary Limited Easement for Parcel 10, Plat of Right-of-Way Required for PROJ. ID 3060-00-24. Ludington Street; STH-073, Columbia County (CoW 11/19/24)

Motion made by Alderperson Lawson, Seconded by Council President Roelke to approve Resolution 12-24: A Resolution to Grant a Temporary Limited Easement for Parcel 10, Plat Right-of-Way required for PROJ. ID 3060-00-24. Ludington Street; STH-073, Columbia County. Voting Yea: Alderperson Finkler, Alderperson Lawson, Alderperson Reid, Council President Roelke, and Alderperson Rostad. Motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

5. Consider and take action on Water Quality Trading Agreement with Stibb Farms

Motion made by Council President Roelke, Seconded by Alderperson Finkler to approve the Water Quality Trading Agreement with Stibb Farms.

Voting Yea: Alderperson Finkler, Alderperson Lawson, Alderperson Reid, Council President Roelke, and Alderperson Rostad. Motion carried on a 5-0 Roll Call vote.

6. Consider Class "B" Beer and "Class B" Liquor License for Hachi Hachi Sushi & Hibachi Alcohol License Application (CoW 10/29/24)

Motion made by Alderperson Finkler, Seconded by Alderperson Reid to approve the Class "B" Beer and "Class B" Liquor License for Hachi Hachi Sushi & Hibachi.

Voting Yea: Alderperson Finkler, Alderperson Lawson, Alderperson Reid, Council President Roelke, and Alderperson Rostad. Motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

7. Consider and take action on Change Order No. 2 with Forest Landscaping and Construction, Inc., related to 2024 Street and Utility Construction

Motion made by Alderperson Finkler, Seconded by Alderperson Lawson to approve and accept Change Order No. 2 with Forest Landscaping and Construction, Inc. related to the 2024 Street and Utility Construction. This Change Order is showing a final Adjustment and project close out at a reduction of \$30,617.96 to a revised total of \$1,246,780.30.

Voting Yea: Alderperson Finkler, Alderperson Lawson, Alderperson Reid, Council President Roelke, and Alderperson Rostad. Motion carried on a 5-0 Roll Call vote.

8. Consider and take action on task order with Ruekert Mielke for 2025 street reconstruction for Brookside Lane (CoW 11/19/24)

Motion made by Council President Roelke, Seconded by Alderperson Finkler to approve Task Order No. 2024-05 for 2025 Street Reconstruction of Brookside Lane.

Voting Yea: Alderperson Finkler, Alderperson Lawson, Alderperson Reid, Council President Roelke, and Alderperson Rostad. Motion carried on a 5-0 Roll Call vote.

9. Consider and take action on award of service to the following vendors:

SNS for electrical, Meitner's Land Service for Hillside interment, TAS Heating & Cooling for HVAC, Wright Plumbing for plumbing, K & B Tree Service for forestry services, Lakeside Lawn Care for Weed, Grass, & Shrubbery

Motion made by Alderperson Finkler, Seconded by Council President Roelke Award of Service to SNS for electrical, Meitner's Land Service for Hillside Internment, TAS Heating & Cooling for HVAC, Wright Plumbing for plumbing, K & B Tree Service for forestry services, and Lakeside Lawn Care for weed, grass and shrubbery needs. Voting Yea: Alderperson Finkler, Alderperson Lawson, Alderperson Reid, Council President Roelke, and Alderperson Rostad. Motion carried on a 5-0 Roll Call vote.

10. Consider and take action on award of service to Lakeside Lawn Care for Hillside Cemetery in the amount of \$74,100 (CoW 11/19/24)

Motion made by Alderperson Rostad, Seconded by Council President Roelke to approve the Award of Service to Lakeside Lawn Care for Hillside Cemetery in the amount of \$74,100 for 2025. Voting Yea: Alderperson Finkler, Alderperson Lawson, Alderperson Reid, Council President Roelke, and Alderperson Rostad. Motion carried on a 5-0 Roll Call vote.

11. Consider and take action on award of service to Sassy Heifer for pavilion cleaning in the amount of \$9,100 (CoW 11/19/24)

Motion made by Alderperson Rostad, Seconded by Alderperson Finkler to approve the Award of Service to Sassy Heifer for Pavilion Bathroom Cleaning for 2025 in the amount of \$9,100. Voting Yea: Alderperson Finkler, Alderperson Lawson, Alderperson Reid, Council President Roelke, and Alderperson Rostad. Motion carried on a 5-0 Roll Call vote.

12. Consider and take action to award quote to Decker in the amount of \$15,309 and Red Arrow Electric in the amount of \$6,525 to replace 9 school pedestrian crossing lights (CoW 11/19/24).

Motion made by Alderperson Rostad, Seconded by Council President Roelke to award Decker in the amount of \$15,309 and Red Arrow Electric in the amount of \$6,525, for a total of \$21,834 to replace nine school pedestrian crossing lights.

Voting Yea: Alderperson Finkler, Alderperson Lawson, Alderperson Reid, Council President Roelke, and Alderperson Rostad. Motion carried on a 5-0 Roll Call vote.

13. Consider & take action on claims in the amount of \$438,552.19

Motion made by Alderperson Lawson, Seconded by Alderperson Finkler to approve the Claims in the amount of \$438,552.19.

Voting Yea: Alderperson Finkler, Alderperson Lawson, Alderperson Reid, Council President Roelke, and Alderperson Rostad. Motion carried on a 5-0 Roll Call vote.

Report of City Officers – City Clerk, City Administrator, Mayor

Clerk Caine publicly thanked the Election Inspectors for their hard work and dedication during the November 5th General election and the weeks preceding it. She also thanked all of the staff and city departments who assisted in the preparations and on election day. She shared the election results which included: 266 Newly Registered Voters, a total of 1751 Absentee Ballots requested, and total number of ballots cast in the City of Columbus as 3,194, which was an 89.44% turnout!

Amundson also congratulated Clerk Caine and the staff on a job well done on election day.

Mayor Hammer also thanked Caine and the Election Inspectors for their efforts on election day, and shared it was a great experience. He also wished everyone a very Happy Thanksgiving!

Adjourn

Motion made by Alderperson Finkler, Seconded by Alderperson Rostad to adjourn at 7:15 pm. Voting Yea: Alderperson Finkler, Alderperson Lawson, Alderperson Reid, Council President Roelke, Alderperson Rostad. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

*A quorum of city committees and/or commissions may be present at this meeting. No action will be taken or considered by those committees and/or commissions.