



## Minutes from May 2, 2023 Meeting

- Chair Commissioner Chamberlain called the meeting to order at 6:33 pm.
- Secretary Commissioner Tyree requested attendees to Pledge of Allegiance.
- Chair Commissioner Chamberlain called for Roll Call introduction of Commissioners.
  - Chair Commissioner Chamberlain, Vice Chair Commissioner Moynihan, Secretary Commissioner Tyree, Treasurer Commissioner Holmes., Commissioner Johnson and Commissioner Reese were present. Zoning Chair Commissioner Abner was excused. Commissioner Dodley was absent.
- Approval of April 4, 2023 Minutes
  - Chair Commissioner Chamberlain asked Commissioners to review April 4, 2023 Minutes, which resulted in no modifications. Treasurer Commissioner Holmes made a motion, which was seconded, to approve April 4, 2023 Minutes. Roll Call Voting resulted in unanimous approval.
- Zoning
  - There was no zoning application.
- Speakers
  - Tomeka Watson, 5988 Radekin Road. Presenter Tomeka Watson requested feedback from Commissioners on possible future housing project.
  - Christopher Lohr, Manager, Department of Planning, City of Columbus. Summarized new zoning, fielded and answered questions and agreed to provide zoning corridors.
  - William Fritz Crosier, Chief Deputy, and Simone Y. Burley, Diversity and Inclusion Coordinator, Franklin County Engineer. Gave overview of responsibilities for roads and bridges.
  - Derrick Hessler, RISE Up CBU Community Relations Coordinator, Department of Neighborhoods, City of Columbus. Offered invitations to attend and support Rise Up CBUS events.
- Community Comments and Questions
  - Greater Eastside Coalition Housing Event
    - Made available time for community questions and comments. There were no questions or comments.
- Far East Bus Tour
  - Bus Tour Members:
    - City of Columbus, City Council - President Shannon Hardin; Director of Engagement Stanley Gates II; Legislative Research Officer Niyah Walter Intern Laura Goduni.
    - City of Columbus. Department of Finance - Deputy Director Chris Long
    - City of Columbus, Department of Neighborhoods – Pride Center Manager Lynne LaCour, 311 Representative Regina King
    - Far East Area Commission – Chair Commissioner Chamberlain; Secretary Commissioner Tyree; Treasurer Commissioner Holmer.

- Bus Tour Sites:
  - Visited sites; including York Plaza, Gender and Refugee Roads intersection and Tussing trail; of 2023 Capital Improvement Budget Recommendations. Chair Commissioner Chamberlain, supported by Commissioners, described concerns and possible solutions to each site during the drive.
- Review
  - Eastside Columbus Business Association Trash Cleanup
    - Planned community clean up on May 5, 2023 and will meet at CNS gas station.
  - Trauma Initiative Awareness Week Event
    - Sponsored by CARE Coalition; Department of Health, City of Columbus; on May 15, 2023 from 4 pm to 6 pm between Barnett Recreation Center and Barnett Library.
  - Benderson
    - Informed of illegal dumping, car racings, and burnouts and requested to address issues.
- Community Updates
  - Lynne LaCour, Neighborhood Pride Center Manager and Neighborhood Program Specialist, City of Columbus
    - Announced Rise Up CBUS at First Church of God on June 8, 2023 from 4:30 pm to 7:30 pm.
    - Invited community members to attend May 17, 2023 Pride Team Meeting. Guest presenters will be from Department of Public Service, City of Columbus.
    - Informed availability of two(2) grants.
      - National Night Out
      - Community Development Block
    - Briefed on My Brother's Keeper and Commission on Black Girls having list of camps and jobs.
  - Officer Weiner, 14 Precinct Liaison Officer, Division of Police, City of Columbus
    - Gave summary of police experience.
    - Provided introduction of new Liaison Officer to Blockwatch group.
    - Informed Police Chief assigned a Task Force to deal with street drag racing.
    - Conducted elderly presentation at Castleton Apartments.
    - Made Police Officer Encounter presentations at Walnut Ridge and Independence High School.
    - Gave Blockwatch sign to McNaughten-Grove coordinator.
  - Officer Myers, Division of Police, City of Columbus
    - Briefed Coordinators meeting will resume.
- New Business
  - Passed on by Chair Commissioner Chamberlain
    - Columbus Urban Public Policy Academy Training last class will be May 2023 at Columbus Main Library.
    - Court action request of City Attorney Christopher Clark to completely barricade Eastland parking areas.
- Adjournment
  - Chair Commissioner Chamberlain made a motion, which was seconded, to adjourn. Chair Commissioner Chamberlain called for Voice Voting which resulted in unanimous approval. The meeting ended at 7:45 pm.
- Remainder Meetings: June 6, July 4, August 1, September 5, October 3, November 7, December 5.