

Cleveland City Council

*Cleveland City Hall, Room 216
601 Lakeside Avenue, N.E.
Cleveland, OH 44114*



Meeting Minutes

Monday, November 14, 2022

7:00 PM

Attendees should observe COVID protocols, including social distancing and wearing a face mask. The meeting will be live broadcast. See meeting notice for details.

City Council

[Item-552](#) Cleveland City Council Meeting Notice for November 14, 2022

Attachments: [Council Meeting Notice for 11-14-2022](#)

CALL TO ORDER; ROLL CALL

7:00 p.m.

Present 14 - Brian Kazy, Kerry McCormack, Kevin Conwell, Michael Polensek, Rebecca Maurer, Anthony T. Hairston, Blaine A. Griffin, Jasmin Santana, Jenny Spencer, Joseph T. Jones, Kevin L. Bishop, Kris Harsh, Stephanie D. Howse, and Richard A. Starr

Excused 3 - Brian Mooney, Charles Slife, and Deborah A. Gray

MOMENT OF REFLECTION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

DISPENSE WITH THE JOURNAL

A motion was made by Council Member Maurer, seconded by Council Member Conwell, that this be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: 14 - Brian Kazy, Kerry McCormack, Kevin Conwell, Michael Polensek, Rebecca Maurer, Anthony T. Hairston, Blaine A. Griffin, Jasmin Santana, Jenny Spencer, Joseph T. Jones, Kevin L. Bishop, Kris Harsh, Stephanie D. Howse, and Richard A. Starr

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PUBLIC COMMENT

Comments were made by Bob Render, Rev. Pamela Pinkney-Butts, Willow Watson, Keshawn Walker, Shandra Benito, Alana Garrett-Ferguson, Rev. Douglas Horner, Kareem Henton.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

•The Ohio Division of Liquor Control

[1216-2022](#) #2720303. New License Application, D3A. Fin and Feathers Cleveland LLC, 721 Bolivar Rd. & Patio. (Ward 3). Received.

Indexes: LIQUOR PERMITS; WARD 03

Attachments: [1216-2022-COMMUNICATION-Liquor721Bolivar](#)

This Communication was received and filed.

[1217-2022](#) #8711055. Transfer of Ownership Application, D5J D6. Sushien Downtown LLC, 1507 Euclid Ave. (Ward 3). Received.

Indexes: LIQUOR PERMITS; WARD 03

Attachments: [1217-2022-COMMUNICATION-Liquor1507Euclid](#)

This Communication was received and filed.

[1218-2022](#) #3831052. New License Application, D5J. Hi Five Flats LLC, 1052 Old River Rd. (Ward 3). Received.

Indexes: LIQUOR PERMITS; WARD 03

Attachments: [1218-2022-COMMUNICATION-Liquor1052OldRiverRd](#)

This Communication was received and filed.

[1219-2022](#) #4658609. Transfer of Location Application, C2 C2X. Kinsman Gas Inc., & Kinsman Food Deal, 12502 Kinsman Rd. (Ward 4). Received.

Indexes: LIQUOR PERMITS; WARD 04

Attachments: [1219-2022-COMMUNICATION-Liquor12502Kinsman](#)

This Communication was received and filed.

[1220-2022](#) #6806432. Transfer of Ownership Application, D5. Peoples Bar and Grill LLC, 3614 East 65th St. (Ward 12). Received.

Indexes: LIQUOR PERMITS; WARD 12

Attachments: [1220-2022-COMMUNICATION-Liquor3614East65th](#)

This Communication was received and filed.

[1221-2022](#) #5239236. Stock Application, D1 D2 D3 D6. Little Rose LLC, 14206 Lorain Ave. (Ward 16). Received.

Indexes: LIQUOR PERMITS; WARD 16

Attachments: [1221-2022-COMMUNICATION-Liquor14206Lorain](#)

This Communication was received and filed.

SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS

•Condolence; Moment of Silence

[1223-2022](#) Condolence Resolution for Darryck Collins

Sponsors: Blaine Griffin

This Ceremonial Resolution was read into the record.

[1224-2022](#) Condolence Resolution for Lynne B. Alfred

Sponsors: Blaine Griffin

This Ceremonial Resolution was read into the record.

PRESENTATIONS

Council President Griffin made a presentation.

FIRST READING LEGISLATION

•Emergency Ordinances Referred

[1198-2022](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Authorizing the Director of Public Safety to apply for and accept a grant from the Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services for the FY 2021 Ohio Drug Law Enforcement Fund grant for the operation of the Cartel Gang Narcotics and Laundering Task Force, formerly known as the Northern Ohio Law Enforcement Task Force; and authorizing the Director to enter into agreements with the Cuyahoga County Sheriff's Office and other entities to implement the grant.

Sponsors: Michael Polensek, Blaine Griffin and By Departmental Request

Attachments: [1198-2022-Ap & Ac OH Drug Law Enforcement for Cartel Gang Narcotics & Laundering, formerly known as NOLETF](#)
[1198-2022-A-FILE - Ap & Ac OH Drug Law Enforcement for Cartel Gang Narcotics & Laundering, formerly known as NOLETF](#)

This Emergency Ordinance was read and referred to administrative review.to the City Council

[1199-2022](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Authorizing the Director of Public Works to apply for and accept a grant from the Ohio Department of Education for the 2023 Summer Food Service Program at Camp George Forbes; authorizing the purchase by requirement contract of breakfasts and lunches and of food, food products, beverages, condiments and paper products to implement the grant, for the Division of Recreation, Department of Public Works; and authorizing the Director to contract with various non-profit organizations for the implementation of the Program.

Sponsors: Kevin Bishop, Blaine Griffin and By Departmental Request

Attachments: [1199-2022-Ap & Ac Summer Food Service Program grant, Camp George Forbes only](#)
[1199-2022-A-FILE - Ap & Ac Summer Food Service Program grant, Camp George Forbes only](#)

This Emergency Ordinance was read and referred to administrative review.to the City Planning Commission

[1200-2022](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Authorizing the Directors of Public Safety or Law to apply for and accept grants from Cuyahoga County Public Safety and Justice Services for the FY 2022 STOP Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) program for a sexual assault advocate and for the Law Enforcement and Prosecution components of the Cleveland Domestic Violence Program; and authorizing one or more contracts with the Cleveland Rape Crisis Center, and other entities to implement the grants.

Sponsors: Michael Polensek, Blaine Griffin and By Departmental Request

Attachments: [1200-2022-Ap & Ac VAWA for Safety Law Enforcement, Law Prosecution and sexual assault advocate, rape crisis ce \(2\)](#)
[1200-2022-A-FILE - Ap & Ac 2022 VAWA](#)

This Emergency Ordinance was read and referred to administrative review.to the City Council

[1201-2022](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Authorizing the Director of Capital Projects to apply for and accept funding for the rehabilitation of Lorain Avenue from West 65th Street to West 20th Street; authorizing the Director of Capital Projects to enter into one or more professional services contracts for the design; authorize other agreements; and authorizing the Commissioner of Purchases and Supplies to acquire, accept and record real property and easements.

Sponsors: Jenny Spencer, Kerry McCormack, Kevin Bishop, Anthony Hairston, Blaine Griffin and By Departmental Request

Attachments: [1201-2022-Accept federal funding PIK Prof Serv ROW other ags for Lorain Ave rehab easements](#)
[1201-2022 Executive Summary](#)

This Emergency Ordinance was read and referred to administrative review.to the City Council

[1202-2022](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Authorizing the Director of City Planning to enter into a multi-party agreement relating to the City's participation in the Cleveland Metropolitan Park District's grant known as the Cleveland Harbor Eastern Embayment Resilience Study; and to cause payment for the City's share.

Sponsors: Anthony Hairston, Blaine Griffin and By Departmental Request

Attachments: [1202-2022-Ag w Metroparks for City's portion of CHEERS project design](#)

This Emergency Ordinance was read and referred to administrative review.to the City Council

[1203-2022](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE To amend the title of Ordinance No. 304-2022, passed June 6, 2022, and to supplement the ordinance by adding new Section 5a relating to authorizing the Director of Public Works to apply for and accept a grant from the National Park Service for the purpose of developing a new City park to be located near the Clark Recreation Center, authorizing the purchase of various property interests, and authorizing the construction of the park.

Sponsors: Jenny Spencer, Kevin Bishop, Anthony Hairston, Blaine Griffin and By Departmental Request

Attachments: [1203-2022-Amend 304-2022 new park by Clark Recreation Center](#)

This Emergency Ordinance was read and referred to administrative review.to the City Council

[1204-2022](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE To amend Section 2 of Ordinance No. 457-2022, passed May 16, 2022, relating to professional services to support the transformation of City recreation centers into trauma-informed neighborhood resource and recreation centers and develop and provide programs and activities.

Sponsors: Blaine Griffin and By Departmental Request

Attachments: [1204-2022-Amend 457-2022, rec center tranformations](#)

[1204-2022 Executive Summary -PIO Program Amendment](#)

This Emergency Ordinance was read and referred to administrative review.to the City Council

[1205-2022](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Authorizing the Director of Public Safety to apply for and accept a grant from the Ohio Department of Public Safety for the FY 2023 Impaired Driving Enforcement Program and Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (IDEP/STEP) Program.

Sponsors: Michael Polensek, Blaine Griffin and By Departmental Request

Attachments: [1205-2022-Ap & Ac IDEP and STEP grants](#)

[1205-2022-A-FILE - Ap & Ac IDEP and STEP grants](#)

This Emergency Ordinance was read and referred to administrative review.to the City Council

[1206-2022](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Authorizing the Director of Public Safety to apply for and accept a grant from the Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services for the FY 21 Recovery Ohio LE Program to provide funding for the operation of the Cartel Gang Narcotics Laundering Task Force.

Sponsors: Michael Polensek, Blaine Griffin and By Departmental Request

Attachments: [1206-2022-Ap & Ac Recovery Ohio LE grant](#)
[1206-2022-A-FILE - Ap & Ac Recovery Ohio LE grant](#)

This Emergency Ordinance was read and referred to administrative review.to the City Council

[1207-2022](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Authorizing the Mayor and the Commissioner of Purchases and Supplies to acquire and re-convey properties presently owned by Bridgeworks, LLC, and/or its designee, located at 2429 West Superior Avenue for the purpose of entering into the chain-of-title prior to the adoption of tax increment financing legislation authorized under Section 5709.41 of the Revised Code for the Bridgeworks Development Project.

Sponsors: Kerry McCormack, Anthony Hairston, Blaine Griffin and By Departmental Request

Attachments: [1207-2022-Enter into chain of title w Bridgeworks for mixed use development](#)

This Emergency Ordinance was read and referred to administrative review.to the City Council

[1208-2022](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Authorizing the Director of City Planning to enter into an amendment to Contract No. PS 2019-138, as amended, with Code Studio, Inc. to extend the term of the contract through June 30, 2023, to provide additional engagement activities for the Form-Based Zoning pilot initiative and for review of draft code elements.

Sponsors: Anthony Hairston, Blaine Griffin and By Departmental Request

Attachments: [1208-2022-Extend K w Code Studio and provide additional services \(2\)](#)

This Emergency Ordinance was read and referred to administrative review.to the City Council

[1209-2022](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Authorizing the Director of Public Health to enter into one or more contracts with Merrick House to provide Moms First services to women at risk of poor birth outcomes on the west side of Cleveland, for a period of one year.

Sponsors: Kevin Conwell, Blaine Griffin and By Departmental Request

Attachments: [1209-2022-K w Merrick House \(Moms First\), decrease infant mortality \(2\) \(2\)](#)

This Emergency Ordinance was read and referred to administrative review.to the City Council

[1210-2022](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Authorizing the Director of Finance to pay as Moral Claims the sums opposite the names of the claimants.

Sponsors: Blaine Griffin and By Departmental Request

Attachments: [1210-2022-Moral Claims - Nov. 2022](#)
[1210-2022 Exec. Summary -Moral Claims](#)

This Emergency Ordinance was read and referred to administrative review.to the City Council

[1211-2022](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Authorizing the Director of Building and Housing to employ one or more professional consultants to analyze and make process recommendations on the operation of the Division of Construction Permitting, Department of Building and Housing.

Sponsors: Anthony Hairston, Blaine Griffin and By Departmental Request

Attachments: [1211-2022-Prof Serv analyze and recommend improvements to plans and permitting in B&H](#)

This Emergency Ordinance was read and referred to administrative review.to the City Council

[1212-2022](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Authorizing the Commissioner of Purchases and Supplies to sell certain City-owned property no longer needed for the City's public use located on West 22nd Street to 1869 W 22nd, LLC for purposes of residential redevelopment.

Sponsors: Kerry McCormack, Kevin Bishop, Anthony Hairston, Blaine Griffin and By Departmental Request

Attachments: [1212-2022-Sell property to 1869 W 22 LLC for residential redevelopment jdd sd roadways excepted](#)

This Emergency Ordinance was read and referred to administrative review.to the City Council

[1213-2022](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Authorizing the Director of Economic Development to enter into a Tax Increment Financing Agreement with Bridgeworks, LLC, and/or its designee, to assist with the financing of the Bridgeworks Development Project to be located at 2429 West Superior Avenue; to provide for payments to the Cleveland Metropolitan School District; and to declare certain improvements to real property to be a public purpose.

Sponsors: Kerry McCormack, Anthony Hairston, Blaine Griffin and By Departmental Request

Attachments: [1213-2022-TIF - Bridgeworks at 2429 Superior](#)
[1213-2022-A-FILE - TIF - Bridgeworks at 2429 Superior](#)

This Emergency Ordinance was read and referred to administrative review to the City Council

[1222-2022](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE To supplement the Codified Ordinances of Cleveland, Ohio, 1976, by amending Section 443.05 as amended by Ordinance No. 1510-2019, passed December 2, 2019, related to Inspection Prior to Licensing Vehicles.

Sponsors: Stephanie Howse

Attachments: [1222-2022-amend Section 443.05 re taxi cab licensing](#)

This Emergency Ordinance was read and referred to administrative review to the City Council

•Emergency Ordinances Read in Full and Passed

[1214-2022](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Authorizing the Director of Human Resources to enter into one or more contracts with Pluto Acquisition Opco, LLC, dba OPENOnline for professional services necessary to provide pre-employment background and criminal checks, for the Department of Human Resources, for a period of one year.

Sponsors: Blaine Griffin and By Departmental Request

Attachments: [1214-2022-FOR PASSAGE-K w Open Online for pre employment background and criminal checks](#)
[1214-2022-FP Letter - K w Open Online for pre employment background and criminal checks](#)

A motion was made by Council Member Maurer, seconded by Council Member Conwell, that this Emergency Ordinance be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: 14 - Brian Kazy, Kerry McCormack, Kevin Conwell, Michael Polensek, Rebecca Maurer, Anthony T. Hairston, Blaine A. Griffin, Jasmin Santana, Jenny Spencer, Joseph T. Jones, Kevin L. Bishop, Kris Harsh, Stephanie D. Howse, and Richard A. Starr

Excused: 3 - Brian Mooney, Charles Slife, and Deborah A. Gray

[1215-2022](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Authorizing the Director of the Department of Community Development to enter into an agreement with the Union-Miles Development Corporation for the Food Card Distribution Program through the use of Ward 2 Casino Revenue Funds.

Sponsors: Kevin Bishop

Attachments: [1215-2022-FOR PASSAGE-Ward 2 Food Card Distribution Program Casino Ord 2022](#)

A motion was made by Council Member Maurer, seconded by Council Member Conwell, that this Emergency Ordinance be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: 14 - Brian Kazy, Kerry McCormack, Kevin Conwell, Michael Polensek, Rebecca Maurer, Anthony T. Hairston, Blaine A. Griffin, Jasmin Santana, Jenny Spencer, Joseph T. Jones, Kevin L. Bishop, Kris Harsh, Stephanie D. Howse, and Richard A. Starr

Excused: 3 - Brian Mooney, Charles Slife, and Deborah A. Gray

SECOND READING LEGISLATION

•Emergency Ordinances Passed

[1011-2022](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE To amend Section 51 of Ordinance No. 194-2021, passed March 29, 2021, as amended, relating to compensation for various classifications.

Sponsors: Blaine Griffin and By Departmental Request

Indexes: FINANCE DEPARTMENT; HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT; SALARIES

Attachments: [1011-2022-Amend Section 51 of payband - Housing Court](#)
[1011-2022 Executive Summary](#)
[1011-2022 as amended-desk copy-Final](#)
[1011-2022-Amend 1011-2022](#)

A motion was made by Council Member Maurer, seconded by Council Member Conwell, that this Emergency Ordinance be approved as amended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: 14 - Brian Kazy, Kerry McCormack, Kevin Conwell, Michael Polensek, Rebecca Maurer, Anthony T. Hairston, Blaine A. Griffin, Jasmin Santana, Jenny Spencer, Joseph T. Jones, Kevin L. Bishop, Kris Harsh, Stephanie D. Howse, and Richard A. Starr

Excused: 3 - Brian Mooney, Charles Slife, and Deborah A. Gray

INTRODUCTIONS

MISCELLANEOUS

Council Members Howse and Conwell made remarks.

MOTION TO EXCUSE THE ABSENCES

The absences of Council Members Gray, Mooney and Slife were excused.

A motion was made by Council Member Polensek, seconded by Council Member Conwell, that this was approved.. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: 14 - Brian Kazy, Kerry McCormack, Kevin Conwell, Michael Polensek, Rebecca Maurer, Anthony T. Hairston, Blaine A. Griffin, Jasmin Santana, Jenny Spencer, Joseph T. Jones, Kevin L. Bishop, Kris Harsh, Stephanie D. Howse, and Richard A. Starr

Excused: 3 - Brian Mooney, Charles Slife, and Deborah A. Gray

ADJOURN

7:48 p.m.