

# **Cleveland City Council**

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



## **Meeting Minutes**

**Monday, February 14, 2022**

**7:00 PM**

**There will be limited seating due to COVID protocols; the meeting will be live broadcast. See meeting notice for details.  
Council Chambers**

**City Council**

[Item-400](#) Cleveland City Council Meeting Notice for February 14, 2022

**Attachments:** [Council Meeting Notice for 2-14-2022](#)

### CALL TO ORDER; ROLL CALL

7:00 p.m.

**Present** 17 - Brian Kazy, Kerry McCormack, Kevin Conwell, Michael Polensek, Rebecca Maurer, Anthony T. Hairston, Blaine A. Griffin, Brian Mooney, Charles Slife, Deborah A. Gray, Jasmin Santana, Jenny Spencer, Joseph T. Jones, Kevin L. Bishop, Kris Harsh, Stephanie D. Howse, and Richard A. Starr

### MOMENT OF REFLECTION

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

### DISPENSE WITH THE JOURNAL

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

**Yea:** 17 - Brian Kazy, Kerry McCormack, Kevin Conwell, Michael Polensek, Rebecca Maurer, Anthony T. Hairston, Blaine A. Griffin, Brian Mooney, Charles Slife, Deborah A. Gray, Jasmin Santana, Jenny Spencer, Joseph T. Jones, Kevin L. Bishop, Kris Harsh, Stephanie D. Howse, and Richard A. Starr

### PUBLIC COMMENT

Comment was made by Christopher Martin.

### REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

#### •Communications

[163-2022](#) From Anya Kulcsar, Chief of Real Estate, Northwest Neighborhoods CDC. Notice of intent to apply to Ohio Housing Finance Agency for low income housing tax credit program for the development known as Pilsener Square at 6605 Clark Avenue (Ward 3), Cleveland, Ohio.

**Attachments:** [163-2022-COMMUNICATION-Notice of intent by NWN/CDC to apply to OHFA for Pilesner Sq](#)

**This Communication was received and filed.**

[164-2022](#) From Alexandra Michaud, Director, Vesta Corporation. Notice of intent to apply to Ohio Housing Finance Agency for multifamily funding programs for the development known as Lynette Gardens Senior Apartment Homes at 1552 Ansel Road (Ward 7), Cleveland, Ohio.

**Attachments:** [164-2022-COMMUNICATION-Notice of intent by Vesta Corp to apply to OHFA for Lynette Gardens](#)

**This Communication was received and filed.**

[165-2022](#) From Greg Baron, Vice President of Development, Commonwealth Development Corporation of America. Notice of intent to apply to Ohio Housing Finance Agency for multifamily funding programs for the development known as Garrett Square Senior Apartments at 1282 East 125th Street (Ward 9), Cleveland, Ohio.

**Attachments:** [165-2022-COMMUNICATION-Notice of intent by Commonwealth Co to apply to OHFA for Garrett Sq](#)

**This Communication was received and filed.**

[166-2022](#) From Aaron Pechota, Senior Vice President of Development, The NRP Group LLC. Notice of intent to apply to Ohio Housing Finance Agency for multifamily funding programs for the development known as Churchill Gateway II at 10700 Churchill Avenue (Ward 9), Cleveland, Ohio.

**Attachments:** [166-2022-COMMUNICATION-Notice of intent by NRP Group to apply to OHFA for Churchill Sq II](#)

**This Communication was received and filed.**

[167-2022](#) From Aaron Pechota, Senior Vice President of Development, The NRP Group LLC. Notice of intent to apply to Ohio Housing Finance Agency for multifamily funding programs for the development known as Old Brooklyn Apartments at 3430 Memphis Avenue (Ward 13), Cleveland, Ohio.

**Attachments:** [167-2022-COMMUNICATION-Notice of intent by NRP Group to apply to OHFA for Old Brooklyn Apts](#)

**This Communication was received and filed.**

[169-2022](#) Oath of Office for Jeff Epstein, Executive Assistant to the Mayor, Chief of Integrated Development, City of Cleveland.

**Attachments:** [169-2022-COMMUNICATION-Oath of Office for Jeff Epstein, Chief of Integrated Development](#)

**This Communication was received and filed.**

**•The Ohio Division of Liquor Control**

[161-2022](#) #65762890005. New License Application, D5J. Ohio City Hospitality LLC, 2149 West 25th St. (Ward 3).

**Attachments:** [161-2022-COMMUNICATION-Liquor2149West25th](#)

**This Communication was received and filed.**

[162-2022](#) #4961135. Transfer of Ownership Application, C2 C2X D6. La Plaza Management, Inc., 13609 Lakewood Heights Blvd. (Ward 16).

**Attachments:** [162-2022-COMMUNICATION-Liquor13609LakewoodHeights](#)

**This Communication was received and filed.**

[168-2022](#) #65762890010. New License Application, D5J. Ohio City Hospitality LLC, 2149 West 25th St. (Ward 3).

**Attachments:** [168-2022-COMMUNICATION-Liquor2149West25th](#)

**This Communication was received and filed.**

[178-2022](#) #3278388. New License Application, C2. Goodman & Levy LLC, 14302 Harvard Ave. (Ward 1).

**Attachments:** [178-2022-COMMUNICATION-Liquor14302Harvard](#)

**This Communication was received and filed.**

[179-2022](#) #31980590005. Transfer of Ownership Application, D1 D2 D3. Ginsburg LLC, 3232 Lakeside Ave. (Ward 7).

**Attachments:** [179-2022-COMMUNICATION-Liquor3232Lakeside](#)

**This Communication was received and filed.**

[180-2022](#) #7085840. New License Application, D3A. Primo LLC, 2123 East 2nd St. (Ward 3).

**Attachments:** [180-2022-COMMUNICATION-Liquor2123East2nd](#)

**This Communication was received and filed.**

**SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS****•Condolence; Moment of Silence**

[181-2022](#) Condolence Resolution for Earlene Jenkins Morgan

**Sponsors:** Kevin Bishop

**This Ceremonial Resolution was read into the record.**

[182-2022](#) Condolence Resolution for Deborah Harris Davis McCollum

**Sponsors:** Deborah Gray

**This Ceremonial Resolution was read into the record.**

[183-2022](#) Condolence Resolution for Eddie Leo Chambers

**Sponsors:** Blaine Griffin

**This Ceremonial Resolution was read into the record.**

[184-2022](#) Condolence Resolution for Willie Perry Dunnican

**Sponsors:** Anthony Hairston

**This Ceremonial Resolution was read into the record.**

[185-2022](#) Condolence Resolution for Edward Joe Banks, Jr.

**Sponsors:** Anthony Hairston

**This Ceremonial Resolution was read into the record.**

[186-2022](#) Condolence Resolution for Homer Helmitt ("Coach") Lacey, III

**Sponsors:** Stephanie Howse

**This Ceremonial Resolution was read into the record.**

[187-2022](#) Condolence Resolution for Anna Marie Gustafson

**Sponsors:** Charles Slife

**This Ceremonial Resolution was read into the record.**

[192-2022](#) Condolence Resolution for Lynn Tolliver, Jr.

**Sponsors:** Kevin Bishop, Kevin Conwell, Deborah Gray, Blaine Griffin, Anthony Hairston, Kris Harsh, Stephanie Howse, Joseph Jones, Brian Kazy, Rebecca Maurer, Kerry McCormack, Brian Mooney, Michael Polensek, Jasmin Santana, Charles Slife, Jenny Spencer and Richard Starr

**This Ceremonial Resolution was read into the record.**

[193-2022](#) Condolence Resolution for William G. Batchelder

**Sponsors:** Kevin Bishop, Kevin Conwell, Deborah Gray, Blaine Griffin, Anthony Hairston, Kris Harsh, Stephanie Howse, Joseph Jones, Brian Kazy, Rebecca Maurer, Kerry McCormack, Brian Mooney, Michael Polensek, Jasmin Santana, Charles Slife, Jenny Spencer and Richard Starr

**This Ceremonial Resolution was read into the record.**

**•Congratulations/Recognition/Appreciation/Commendation/Commemoration/Welcome**

[188-2022](#) Congratulations Resolution for Mya McMillon

**Sponsors:** Kevin Bishop

**This Ceremonial Resolution was read into the record.**

[189-2022](#) Congratulations Resolution for Dorothy Jones - 100th Birthday

**Sponsors:** Stephanie Howse

**This Ceremonial Resolution was read into the record.**

[190-2022](#) Recognition Resolution for Christopher T. Hinton

**Sponsors:** Joseph Jones

**This Ceremonial Resolution was read into the record.**

[191-2022](#) Welcome Resolution for The Merry Ploughboys

**Sponsors:** Kerry McCormack and Charles Slife

**This Ceremonial Resolution was read into the record.**

**PRESENTATIONS**

A presentation was made by Council Member Conwell.

**FIRST READING LEGISLATION****•Emergency Ordinances Referred**

[170-2022](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Authorizing the Director of Port Control to exercise the first option to renew Contract No. RC 2020-54 with Hi-Lite Airfield Services LLC to provide labor and materials necessary for painting and paint removal on roadways, runways and other paved surfaces for the various divisions of the Department of Port Control.

**Sponsors:** Kerry McCormack, Blaine Griffin and By Departmental Request

**Attachments:** [170-2022-Exercise option to renew K w Hi-Lite Airfield for painting and paint removal on runways, runways and paved surfaces](#)

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

[171-2022](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Authorizing the Director of Port Control to exercise the second option to renew Contract No. PS 2020-177 with Michael Baker International, Inc. to provide pavement management support services project.

**Sponsors:** Kerry McCormack, Blaine Griffin and By Departmental Request

**Attachments:** [171-2022-Exercise option to renew Michael Baker](#)

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

[172-2022](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Authorizing the Director of Public Works to employ one or more professional consultants to provide security services at various indoor and outdoor recreation facilities, including but not limited to, recreation centers, outdoor pools, and various surrounding play areas, for a period not to exceed one year.

**Sponsors:** Kevin Bishop, Blaine Griffin and By Departmental Request

**Attachments:** [172-2022-Prof Serv security services - recreation](#)

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

[173-2022](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Authorizing the Clerk of Council to enter into an agreement with The Project Group for professional assistance in investigating utility-related matters pertaining to the Divisions of Cleveland Public Power, Water and Water Pollution Control for Cleveland City Council.

**Sponsors:** Blaine Griffin

**Attachments:** [173-2022-ProjectGroup ORD 2022](#)

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

•Emergency Resolutions Read in Full and Adopted

[174-2022](#) AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION Objecting to a New D1 Liquor Permit at 2020 Euclid Avenue.

**Sponsors:** Richard Starr

**Attachments:** [174-2022-FOR ADOPTION-OBJ-NEW-2020 EUCLID](#)

**A motion was made by Council Member Howse, seconded by Council Member Polensek, that this Emergency Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yea:** 17 - Brian Kazy, Kerry McCormack, Kevin Conwell, Michael Polensek, Rebecca Maurer, Anthony T. Hairston, Blaine A. Griffin, Brian Mooney, Charles Slife, Deborah A. Gray, Jasmin Santana, Jenny Spencer, Joseph T. Jones, Kevin L. Bishop, Kris Harsh, Stephanie D. Howse, and Richard A. Starr

[175-2022](#) AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION Objecting to the transfer of location of a D5 Liquor Permit to 9401 Denison Avenue.

**Sponsors:** Brian Mooney

**Attachments:** [175-2022-FOR ADOPTION-OBJ-TFOL-9401 DENISON](#)

**A motion was made by Council Member Howse, seconded by Council Member Polensek, that this Emergency Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yea:** 17 - Brian Kazy, Kerry McCormack, Kevin Conwell, Michael Polensek, Rebecca Maurer, Anthony T. Hairston, Blaine A. Griffin, Brian Mooney, Charles Slife, Deborah A. Gray, Jasmin Santana, Jenny Spencer, Joseph T. Jones, Kevin L. Bishop, Kris Harsh, Stephanie D. Howse, and Richard A. Starr

[176-2022](#) AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION Objecting to the TREX transfer of a D5 and D6 Liquor Permit to 2309 St. Clair Avenue.

**Sponsors:** Stephanie Howse

**Attachments:** [176-2022-FOR ADOPTION-OBJ-TREX-2309 ST. CLAIR](#)

**A motion was made by Council Member Howse, seconded by Council Member Polensek, that this Emergency Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yea:** 17 - Brian Kazy, Kerry McCormack, Kevin Conwell, Michael Polensek, Rebecca Maurer, Anthony T. Hairston, Blaine A. Griffin, Brian Mooney, Charles Slife, Deborah A. Gray, Jasmin Santana, Jenny Spencer, Joseph T. Jones, Kevin L. Bishop, Kris Harsh, Stephanie D. Howse, and Richard A. Starr

[177-2022](#) AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION Appointing two members to the Local Board of Tax Review.

**Sponsors:** Blaine Griffin

**Attachments:** [177-2022-FOR ADOPTION-Appt 2 to Tax Review Board](#)

**A motion was made by Council Member Howse, seconded by Council Member Polensek, that this Emergency Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yea:** 17 - Brian Kazy, Kerry McCormack, Kevin Conwell, Michael Polensek, Rebecca Maurer, Anthony T. Hairston, Blaine A. Griffin, Brian Mooney, Charles Slife, Deborah A. Gray, Jasmin Santana, Jenny Spencer, Joseph T. Jones, Kevin L. Bishop, Kris Harsh, Stephanie D. Howse, and Richard A. Starr

## **SECOND READING LEGISLATION**

### **•Emergency Ordinances Passed**



[1189-2021](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE To amend Section 13 of Ordinance No. 753-2021, passed September 20, 2021, relating to applying for and accepting a grant from the Cleveland Foundation for the development of the African American Cultural Gardens.

**Sponsors:** Kevin Conwell, Kevin Bishop and Kevin Kelley

**Attachments:** [1189-2021-African American Cultural Garden Amendment 2021](#)

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

**Yea:** 17 - Brian Kazy, Kerry McCormack, Kevin Conwell, Michael Polensek, Rebecca Maurer, Anthony T. Hairston, Blaine A. Griffin, Brian Mooney, Charles Slife, Deborah A. Gray, Jasmin Santana, Jenny Spencer, Joseph T. Jones, Kevin L. Bishop, Kris Harsh, Stephanie D. Howse, and Richard A. Starr

[97-2022](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Designating Parkgate Avenue between East 99th Street and 105th Street with a secondary and honorary designation of “Leon Bibb Way”.

**Sponsors:** Kevin Conwell

**Attachments:** [97-2022-desig honorary street name Leon Bibb Way](#)

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

**Yea:** 17 - Brian Kazy, Kerry McCormack, Kevin Conwell, Michael Polensek, Rebecca Maurer, Anthony T. Hairston, Blaine A. Griffin, Brian Mooney, Charles Slife, Deborah A. Gray, Jasmin Santana, Jenny Spencer, Joseph T. Jones, Kevin L. Bishop, Kris Harsh, Stephanie D. Howse, and Richard A. Starr

[120-2022](#)

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Authorizing the Director of Community Development to apply for and accept grants from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development for PY2022 under the Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, for the 2022 Federal HOME Investment Partnerships Act Program, Emergency Solutions Grant Program, and the Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS Program; and authorizing contracts and other expenditures.

**Sponsors:** Anthony Hairston, Blaine Griffin and By Departmental Request

**Attachments:** [120-2022-Ap Ac 2021 CDBG HOPWA HOME ESG grants](#)  
[120-2022-A-FILE - Ap Ac 2021 CDBG HOPWA HOME ESG grants](#)  
[CDBG 2022 Budget Book 2-2-2022](#)  
[120-2022 Executive Summary](#)

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

**Yea:** 17 - Brian Kazy, Kerry McCormack, Kevin Conwell, Michael Polensek, Rebecca Maurer, Anthony T. Hairston, Blaine A. Griffin, Brian Mooney, Charles Slife, Deborah A. Gray, Jasmin Santana, Jenny Spencer, Joseph T. Jones, Kevin L. Bishop, Kris Harsh, Stephanie D. Howse, and Richard A. Starr

[135-2022](#)

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Authorizing the Director of Finance, on behalf of the Cleveland Municipal Court, to apply for and accept a grant from the Alcohol, Drug Addiction & Mental Health Services Board for the Addiction Treatment Program FY22; and authorizing one or more contracts with Community Assessment and Treatment Services, Inc. or other agencies as necessary to implement the grant.

**Sponsors:** Blaine Griffin and By Departmental Request

**Attachments:** [135-2021-Ap & Ac grant from ADAMHS Board for Addiction Treatment Program](#)  
[135-2022 Exec. Summary -ADHMAS 16663 a](#)

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

**Yea:** 17 - Brian Kazy, Kerry McCormack, Kevin Conwell, Michael Polensek, Rebecca Maurer, Anthony T. Hairston, Blaine A. Griffin, Brian Mooney, Charles Slife, Deborah A. Gray, Jasmin Santana, Jenny Spencer, Joseph T. Jones, Kevin L. Bishop, Kris Harsh, Stephanie D. Howse, and Richard A. Starr

[136-2022](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Authorizing the Clerk of Council to enter into an agreement with The Batchelder Company for professional strategic government affairs consulting services for Cleveland City Council.

**Sponsors:** Blaine Griffin

**Attachments:** [136-2022-Batchelder ORD 2022](#)

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

**Yea:** 17 - Brian Kazy, Kerry McCormack, Kevin Conwell, Michael Polensek, Rebecca Maurer, Anthony T. Hairston, Blaine A. Griffin, Brian Mooney, Charles Slife, Deborah A. Gray, Jasmin Santana, Jenny Spencer, Joseph T. Jones, Kevin L. Bishop, Kris Harsh, Stephanie D. Howse, and Richard A. Starr

[151-2022](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Authorizing the Director of Finance to enter into an agreement with the law firm of Kegler, Brown, Hill & Ritter Co., L.P.A. for state lobbying services for the City of Cleveland, for a period of one year, with one option to renew for an additional year, exercisable by the Director of Finance.

**Sponsors:** Blaine Griffin and By Departmental Request

**Attachments:** [151-2022-K w Kegler Brown Hill & Ritter for state lobbying](#)  
[151-2022 Exec. Summary -Kegler Brown Hill Ritter State Lobbying](#)

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

**Yea:** 17 - Brian Kazy, Kerry McCormack, Kevin Conwell, Michael Polensek, Rebecca Maurer, Anthony T. Hairston, Blaine A. Griffin, Brian Mooney, Charles Slife, Deborah A. Gray, Jasmin Santana, Jenny Spencer, Joseph T. Jones, Kevin L. Bishop, Kris Harsh, Stephanie D. Howse, and Richard A. Starr

[152-2022](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Authorizing the Clerk of Council to enter into an agreement with Miller Mosley Group d/b/a Buckeye Peach Group, LLC for the professional services necessary to assist Cleveland City Council with automated phone calls and text messages to relay pre-recorded messages to Cleveland residents.

**Sponsors:** Blaine Griffin

**Attachments:** [152-2022-Miller Mosley Group dba Buckeye Peach Group 2022-2023](#)

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

**Yea:** 17 - Brian Kazy, Kerry McCormack, Kevin Conwell, Michael Polensek, Rebecca Maurer, Anthony T. Hairston, Blaine A. Griffin, Brian Mooney, Charles Slife, Deborah A. Gray, Jasmin Santana, Jenny Spencer, Joseph T. Jones, Kevin L. Bishop, Kris Harsh, Stephanie D. Howse, and Richard A. Starr

[154-2022](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Authorizing the Clerk of Council to enter into an agreement with NetX Internet LLC to provide wireless internet service to Cleveland City Council.

**Sponsors:** Blaine Griffin

**Attachments:** [154-2022-NetX ORD 2022-25](#)

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

**Yea:** 17 - Brian Kazy, Kerry McCormack, Kevin Conwell, Michael Polensek, Rebecca Maurer, Anthony T. Hairston, Blaine A. Griffin, Brian Mooney, Charles Slife, Deborah A. Gray, Jasmin Santana, Jenny Spencer, Joseph T. Jones, Kevin L. Bishop, Kris Harsh, Stephanie D. Howse, and Richard A. Starr

[155-2022](#)

**Sponsors:** Blaine Griffin

**Attachments:** [155-2022-Western Reserve Land Conservancy dba Thriving Communities Institute 2022](#)

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

**Yea:** 17 - Brian Kazy, Kerry McCormack, Kevin Conwell, Michael Polensek, Rebecca Maurer, Anthony T. Hairston, Blaine A. Griffin, Brian Mooney, Charles Slife, Deborah A. Gray, Jasmin Santana, Jenny Spencer, Joseph T. Jones, Kevin L. Bishop, Kris Harsh, Stephanie D. Howse, and Richard A. Starr

[156-2022](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Authorizing the Clerk of Council to enter into an agreement with On Technology Partners for the professional services necessary to advise and assist in the maintenance and performance of computer technology projects and to provide specific computer technology services for Cleveland City Council.

**Sponsors:** Blaine Griffin

**Attachments:** [156-2022-OnTech 2022ORD](#)

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

**Yea:** 17 - Brian Kazy, Kerry McCormack, Kevin Conwell, Michael Polensek, Rebecca Maurer, Anthony T. Hairston, Blaine A. Griffin, Brian Mooney, Charles Slife, Deborah A. Gray, Jasmin Santana, Jenny Spencer, Joseph T. Jones, Kevin L. Bishop, Kris Harsh, Stephanie D. Howse, and Richard A. Starr

**INTRODUCTIONS**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**MISCELLANEOUS**

Council Member Conwell made remarks.

**ADJOURN**

7:38 p.m.