

Cleveland City Council

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



Meeting Minutes

Monday, February 26, 2024

7:00 PM

The meeting will be live broadcast. See meeting notice for details.

Council Chambers

City Council

[Item-813](#) Cleveland City Council Meeting Notice for February 26, 2024

Attachments: [Council Meeting Notice for 2-26-2024](#)

CALL TO ORDER; ROLL CALL

7:01 p.m.

Present 16 - Brian Kazy, Kerry McCormack, Kevin Conwell, Michael Polensek, Rebecca Maurer, Anthony T. Hairston, Blaine A. Griffin, Charles Slife, Deborah A. Gray, Jasmin Santana, Joseph T. Jones, Kevin L. Bishop, Kris Harsh, Stephanie Howse-Jones, Richard A. Starr, and Danny Kelly

Excused 1 - Jenny Spencer

MOMENT OF REFLECTION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

DISPENSE WITH THE JOURNAL

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

Yea: 16 - Brian Kazy, Kerry McCormack, Kevin Conwell, Michael Polensek, Rebecca Maurer, Anthony T. Hairston, Blaine A. Griffin, Charles Slife, Deborah A. Gray, Jasmin Santana, Joseph T. Jones, Kevin L. Bishop, Kris Harsh, Stephanie Howse-Jones, Richard A. Starr, and Danny Kelly

Excused: 1 - Jenny Spencer

PUBLIC COMMENT

Comments were made by Robin Beth Schaer, Benjamin Bilgen, Kamar Taweel, Tanmay Shah, Bayan Taweel.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

•Communications

[226-2024](#) From Timothy M. Morgan, Manager, JIC Brooklyn Senior LLC. Notice of intent to apply to Ohio Housing Finance Agency for multifamily funding programs for the development known as Idlewood Court, located in the City of Brooklyn, Ohio, and within a one-half mile radius of Cleveland, Ohio.

Attachments: [226-2024-COMMUNICATION-Notice of intent to apply to OHFA by JIC Brooklyn Senior LLC for development in Brooklyn, OH](#)

This Communication was received and filed.

[239-2024](#) From Mark E. Whipkey, Chief of Asset Management, CHN Housing Partners. Notice of intent to apply to Ohio Housing Finance Agency for multifamily funding programs for the development known as Hough Senior Independent Living on various sites in Cleveland, Ohio; on East 89th Street, East 90th Street, and Hough Avenue (Ward 7).

Attachments: [239-2024-COMMUNICATION-notice of intent by CHN to apply to OHFA for Hough Senior Living](#)

This Communication was received and filed.

[240-2024](#) From Mark E. Whipkey, Chief of Asset Management, CHN Housing Partners. Notice of intent to apply to Ohio Housing Finance Agency for multifamily funding programs for the development known as Cleveland West Veterans Housing around 3311 West 73rd Street (Ward 14), Cleveland, Ohio.

Attachments: [240-2024-COMMUNICATION-notice of intent by CHN to apply to OHFA for Cleve West Veterans Hsg](#)

This Communication was received and filed.

[256-2024](#) From Greg Baron, Managing Director of Development, Volker Development, Inc. Notice of intent to apply to Ohio Housing Finance Agency for multifamily funding programs for the development known as Walton Senior Apartments at 3517 Walton Avenue and on adjacent parcels in Clark Avenue (Ward 14), Cleveland, Ohio.

Attachments: [256-2024-COMMUNICATION-notice of intent by Volker Dev to apply to OHFA for Walton Senior Apts](#)

This Communication was received and filed.

•The Ohio Division of Liquor Control

[221-2024](#) #6472992. Transfer of License Application, D2 D2X D3. Nuevo Events LLC, 850 Euclid Ave. (Ward 3).

Attachments: [221-2024-COMMUNICATION-Liquor850Euclid](#)

This Communication was received and filed.

[222-2024](#) #26109460030. Transfer of License Application, D1 D2 D3 D3A D6. Facility Concession Services LLC, 2014 Sycamore St. (Ward 3).

Attachments: [222-2024-COMMUNICATION-Liquor2014Sycamore](#)

This Communication was received and filed.

[223-2024](#) #7642564. Stock Application, D2 D2X D3 D3A D6. S & P East 4 Woolworth LLC, 2050 East 4th St. (Ward 3).

Attachments: [223-2024-COMMUNICATION-Liquor2050East4th](#)

This Communication was received and filed.

[224-2024](#) #8515488. Application, C2. Star Value LLC, 2118 Broadview Rd. (Ward 12).

Attachments: [224-2024-COMMUNICATION-Liquor2118Broadview](#)

This Communication was received and filed.

[243-2024](#) #3602808. Transfer of Ownership Application, C1 C2. Hari Om Sai 71 LLC, 3794 East 71st St. (Ward 12).

Attachments: [243-2024-COMMUNICATION-Liquor3794East71st](#)

This Communication was received and filed.

•Plats

[225-2024](#) Dedication Plat for a portion of Reserve Court, between East 105th Street and Stokes Boulevard (Ward 9). Approved by Committees on Municipal Services and Properties, and Development Planning and Sustainability. Without objection, Plat approved.

Attachments: [225-2024-plat - dedication of portion of Reserve Ct](#)

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

Yea: 16 - Brian Kazy, Kerry McCormack, Kevin Conwell, Michael Polensek, Rebecca Maurer, Anthony T. Hairston, Blaine A. Griffin, Charles Slife, Deborah A. Gray, Jasmin Santana, Joseph T. Jones, Kevin L. Bishop, Kris Harsh, Stephanie Howse-Jones, Richard A. Starr, and Danny Kelly

Excused: 1 - Jenny Spencer

SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS

•Condolence; Moment of Silence

[242-2024](#) Condolence Resolution for Lawrence Hanson

Sponsors: Richard Starr

This Ceremonial Resolution was read into the record.

[244-2024](#) Condolence Resolution for Latia Arrion Wiggins

Sponsors: Blaine Griffin

This Ceremonial Resolution was read into the record.

[245-2024](#) Condolence Resolution for Thomas Rodger Knittel

Sponsors: Kerry McCormack

This Ceremonial Resolution was read into the record.

[257-2024](#) Condolence Resolution for Rev. Dr. Rodney S. Thomas

Sponsors: Blaine Griffin

This Ceremonial Resolution was read into the record.

[258-2024](#) Condolence Resolution for Abdul Muhaymin

Sponsors: Blaine Griffin

This Ceremonial Resolution was read into the record.

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

[246-2024](#) Congratulations Resolution for Boddie Recording Company

Sponsors: Deborah Gray

This Ceremonial Resolution was read into the record.

[247-2024](#) Congratulations Resolution for Ray's Sausage

Sponsors: Deborah Gray

This Ceremonial Resolution was read into the record.

[248-2024](#) Congratulations Resolution for Carmen A. Carrion - 70th Birthday

Sponsors: Blaine Griffin

This Ceremonial Resolution was read into the record.

[249-2024](#) Congratulations Resolution for East High School - 60th Class Reunion

Sponsors: Blaine Griffin

This Ceremonial Resolution was read into the record.

[250-2024](#) Congratulations Resolution for Jeffrey Bartley

Sponsors: Rebecca Maurer

This Ceremonial Resolution was read into the record.

[251-2024](#) Recognition Resolution for Thomas "Tom" Dewey

Sponsors: Blaine Griffin

This Ceremonial Resolution was read into the record.

[252-2024](#) Recognition Resolution for Constance "Connie" Hill-Johnson

Sponsors: Blaine Griffin

This Ceremonial Resolution was read into the record.

[253-2024](#) Commemoration Resolution for Lithuania Independence Day - 106th Anniversary

Sponsors: Michael Polensek

This Ceremonial Resolution was read into the record.

[254-2024](#) Appreciation Resolution for Minister Kevyn D. McHenry

Sponsors: Blaine Griffin

This Ceremonial Resolution was read into the record.

[255-2024](#) Appreciation Resolution for Pastor Emeritus Johnny L. Price

Sponsors: Blaine Griffin

This Ceremonial Resolution was read into the record.

FIRST READING LEGISLATION

- Emergency Ordinances Referred

[227-2024](#)

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Authorizing the Directors of Capital Projects, Port Control, and/or Public Works to enter into one or more agreements with Cuyahoga County and Cleveland Metroparks to construct an all-purpose trail on the north side of North Marginal Road, including a maintenance and repair agreement with the Metroparks, for a term of not to exceed twenty years, with five 20-year options to renew, exercisable by the Metroparks; authorizing one or more submerged land leases with the State of Ohio and future sub-leases, for a term up to ninety-nine years, with two fifty-year options to renew, exercisable by the appropriate Director; and to replace or otherwise adjust existing adjacent submerged land leases and sub-leases; authorizing one or more encroachment permits to the County; authorizing acquisition of real property, easements and work agreements; conveyance of temporary deeds of easement; and authorizing any other agreements to effectuate this ordinance.

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

Attachments: [227-2024-Ag w County for N Marginal Road connector and other ags](#)

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

[228-2024](#)

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE To amend Section 241.05 of the Codified Ordinances of Cleveland, Ohio, 1976, as amended by Ordinance No. 81-2024, passed January 22, 2024, relating to food shop licenses and fees.

Sponsors: Kevin Conwell, Blaine Griffin and By Departmental Request

Attachments: [228-2024-Amend 241.05, food shop licenses and fees](#)

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

[229-2024](#)

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Authorizing the Director of Public Utilities to enter into an amendment to Contract No. PS 2023-317 with BancTec, Inc. to remove the hardware support and maintenance services component for payment scanners and payment processing systems for year two and to enter into contract with Imaging Business Machines, LLC for those services, for the Division of Utilities Fiscal Control, Department of Public Utilities, for a period not to exceed one year.

Sponsors: Brian Kazy, Blaine Griffin and By Departmental Request

Attachments: [229-2024-Amend K w BancTec for payment processing and scanner and new K w Imaging Business Machines](#)

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

[230-2024](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Authorizing the Director of Public Safety to accept a grant from the United States Department of Justice, COPS Office, for the FY23 COPS Hiring Program for Violent Crime Reduction.

Sponsors: Michael Polensek, Blaine Griffin and By Departmental Request

Attachments: [230-2024-Ap & Ac COPS hiring grant for Violent Crime Reduction](#)
[230-2024-A-FILE- Ap & Ac COPS hiring grant for Violent Crime Reduction](#)

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

[231-2024](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Authorizing the Director of Public Works to apply for and accept a grant from the Ohio Department of Education for the 2024 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: [231-2024-Ap & Ac Summer Food Service Program grant, Camp George Forbes only](#)
[231-2024-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 Council

[232-2024](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Authorizing the Director of the Mayor's Office of Capital Projects to issue a permit to The Sherwin-Williams Company to encroach into the public rights-of-way of West 3rd Street, Frankfort Avenue, Public Square West Roadway, Superior Avenue, West St. Clair Avenue, and West 6th Street by installing, using and maintaining various objects.

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

Attachments: [232-2024-Encr - Sherwin Williams, various locations](#)

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

[233-2024](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Authorizing the Director of Port Control to exercise the first option to renew Contract No. LS 2022-003 with the United States Postal Service for the lease of certain City-owned property generally located at Cleveland Hopkins International Airport, South Cargo Road, Building No. 220, to maintain and operate a warehouse, sorting facility and post office retail store.

Sponsors: Kerry McCormack, Blaine Griffin and By Departmental Request

Attachments: [233-2024-Exercise option to renew K w USPS, Postal Service, for property on Cargo Road](#)

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

[235-2024](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE To amend Sections 35, 37, and 38 of Ordinance No. 194-2021, passed March 29, 2021, as amended, relating to salaries for various classifications.

Sponsors: Blaine Griffin and By Departmental Request

Attachments: [235-2024-Amend Sections 35 37 and 38 of the payband](#)

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

[241-2024](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Changing the name of Moulton/Scoutway Park in Ward 9 to “Shirley Chisholm Park”.

Sponsors: Kevin Conwell

Attachments: [241-2024-naming Shirley Chisholm Park](#)

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

•Emergency Ordinances Read in Full and Passed

[236-2024](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Authorizing the Clerk of Council to enter into a Second Amendment to the agreement with iVideo to authorize additional professional services necessary for the implementation and installation of various components of the video production system to replace various old components in the Mercedes Cotner Committee Room for Cleveland City Council

Sponsors: Blaine Griffin

Attachments: [236-2024-FOR PASSAGE-iVideo K 2nd amend](#)

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

Yea: 16 - Brian Kazy, Kerry McCormack, Kevin Conwell, Michael Polensek, Rebecca Maurer, Anthony T. Hairston, Blaine A. Griffin, Charles Slife, Deborah A. Gray, Jasmin Santana, Joseph T. Jones, Kevin L. Bishop, Kris Harsh, Stephanie Howse-Jones, Richard A. Starr, and Danny Kelly

Excused: 1 - Jenny Spencer

[237-2024](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Repealing Ordinance No. 2085-05, passed February 13, 2006, and Ordinance No. 1503-08, passed October 6, 2008.

Sponsors: Kerry McCormack

Attachments: [237-2024-FOR PASSAGE-repeal 2085-05 and 1503-08](#)

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

Yea: 16 - Brian Kazy, Kerry McCormack, Kevin Conwell, Michael Polensek, Rebecca Maurer, Anthony T. Hairston, Blaine A. Griffin, Charles Slife, Deborah A. Gray, Jasmin Santana, Joseph T. Jones, Kevin L. Bishop, Kris Harsh, Stephanie Howse-Jones, Richard A. Starr, and Danny Kelly

Excused: 1 - Jenny Spencer

•Ordinances Referred

[234-2024](#) AN ORDINANCE Changing the Use, Area and Height Districts of parcels of land west of Crawford Road between Wade Park Avenue and Kenmore Avenue and adding an Urban Form Overlay to the south side of Wade Park Avenue. (MC 2674)

Sponsors: Stephanie Howse-Jones

Attachments: [234-2024-Zoning - W of Crawford b. Wade Park and Kenmore](#)

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

•Emergency Resolutions Read in Full and Adopted

[238-2024](#) AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION Objecting to the transfer of stock of a C2 and C2X Liquor Permit to 5346 Dolloff Road.

Sponsors: Richard Starr

Attachments: [238-2024-FOR ADOPTION-OBJ-STOCK-5346 DOLLOFF](#)

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

Yea: 16 - Brian Kazy, Kerry McCormack, Kevin Conwell, Michael Polensek, Rebecca Maurer, Anthony T. Hairston, Blaine A. Griffin, Charles Slife, Deborah A. Gray, Jasmin Santana, Joseph T. Jones, Kevin L. Bishop, Kris Harsh, Stephanie Howse-Jones, Richard A. Starr, and Danny Kelly

Excused: 1 - Jenny Spencer

SECOND READING LEGISLATION

•Ordinances Passed

[115-2023](#) AN ORDINANCE Changing the Use, Area, and Height Districts of parcels of land north and south of Lorain Avenue between West 150th Street and the Norfolk Southern Railroad and extending the Pedestrian Retail and Urban Form Overlay Districts (Map Change 2630).

Sponsors: Charles Slife

Indexes: CITY PLANNING COMMISSION; WARD 17; ZONING

Attachments: [115-2023-Zoning - Lorain b. W 150 and Norfolk RR](#)

[115-2023 ZONING - PRESENTATION](#)

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

Yea: 16 - Brian Kazy, Kerry McCormack, Kevin Conwell, Michael Polensek, Rebecca Maurer, Anthony T. Hairston, Blaine A. Griffin, Charles Slife, Deborah A. Gray, Jasmin Santana, Joseph T. Jones, Kevin L. Bishop, Kris Harsh, Stephanie Howse-Jones, Richard A. Starr, and Danny Kelly

Excused: 1 - Jenny Spencer

INTRODUCTIONS

MISCELLANEOUS

Council Members Conwell, Jones and Starr made remarks.

MOTION TO EXCUSE THE ABSENCES

The absence of Council Member Spencer was excused.

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

Yea: 16 - Brian Kazy, Kerry McCormack, Kevin Conwell, Michael Polensek, Rebecca Maurer, Anthony T. Hairston, Blaine A. Griffin, Charles Slife, Deborah A. Gray, Jasmin Santana, Joseph T. Jones, Kevin L. Bishop, Kris Harsh, Stephanie Howse-Jones, Richard A. Starr, and Danny Kelly

Excused: 1 - Jenny Spencer

ADJOURN

8:02 p.m.