

# **Cleveland City Council**

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



## **Meeting Minutes**

**Monday, April 14, 2025**

**7:00 PM**

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

**Council Chambers**

**City Council**

[Item-1032](#) Cleveland City Council Meeting Notice for April 14, 2025

**Attachments:** [Council Meeting Notice for 4-14-2025](#)

**CALL TO ORDER; ROLL CALL**

7:03 p.m.

**Present** 15 - Brian Kazy, Kerry McCormack, Kevin Conwell, Michael Polensek, Rebecca Maurer, Anthony T. Hairston, Blaine A. Griffin, Charles Slife, Deborah A. Gray, Jasmin Santana, Jenny Spencer, Kris Harsh, Stephanie Howse-Jones, Richard A. Starr, and Danny Kelly

**Excused** 2 - Joseph T. Jones, and Kevin L. Bishop

**MOMENT OF REFLECTION****PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE****DISPENSE WITH THE JOURNAL**

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

**Yea:** 13 - Brian Kazy, Kerry McCormack, Kevin Conwell, Michael Polensek, Rebecca Maurer, Anthony T. Hairston, Blaine A. Griffin, Charles Slife, Jasmin Santana, Jenny Spencer, Kris Harsh, Richard A. Starr, and Danny Kelly

**Excused:** 2 - Joseph T. Jones, and Kevin L. Bishop

**Absent:** 2 - Deborah A. Gray, and Stephanie Howse-Jones

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Comments were made by Jeanneh Horn, Darrell Houston, Brenda Bickerstaff, Stephanie Honeycutt, Sandy Osso, Assad Tawil, Tony Anderson, Faouzi Baddour, Michael Armstrong, Dallas Eckman.

**REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS****•Communications**

[485-2025](#) From Director Paul Barrett, Department of Finance, City of Cleveland. Pursuant to Ord. No. 1261-2022, passed December 5, 2022, notification of initiation of the issuance of Refunding Airport System Revenue Bonds.

**Attachments:** [485-2025-COMUNICATION-notice of initiation of refundiing airport bonds](#)

**This Communication was received and filed.**

[486-2025](#) From Joshua Edmonds, CEO, DigitalC. Quarterly Report for first quarter of 2025.

**Attachments:** [486-2025-COMMUNICATION-DigitalC Quarterly Report 1Q-2025](#)

**This Communication was received and filed.**

•The Ohio Division of Liquor Control

[487-2025](#) #4220351. New License Application, D5J. Jack Family Enterprise LLC, 5800 Detroit Ave. (Ward 15).

**Indexes:** LIQUOR PERMITS; WARD 15

**Attachments:** [487-2025-COMMUNICATION-Liquor5800Detroit](#)

**This Communication was received and filed.**

[488-2025](#) #26312758215. New License Application, C2. Family Dollar Stores of Ohio LLC [Store 24807], 10820 Lorain Ave. (Ward 11).

**Indexes:** LIQUOR PERMITS; WARD 11

**Attachments:** [488-2025-COMMUNICATION-Liquor10820Lorain](#)

**This Communication was received and filed.**

[489-2025](#) #1688561. New License Application, D1. Connect Lounge LTD, 2456 Lakeside Ave. (Ward 7).

**Indexes:** LIQUOR PERMITS; WARD 07

**Attachments:** [489-2025-COMMUNICATION-Liquor2456Lakeside](#)

**This Communication was received and filed.**

•Plats

[484-2025](#) Dedication Plat for Echo Avenue and East 71st Place (part of Trailside Subdivision Phase 7), in between East 71st Street & East 72nd Street, north of Aetna Road, south of Morgana Run multipurpose trail (Ward 12). Approved by Committees on Municipal Services and Properties, and Development Planning and Sustainability. Without objection, Plat approved.

**Attachments:** [484-2025-COMMUNICATION-Plat-Echo Ave, E71 Pl](#)

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

**Yea:** 15 - Brian Kazy, Kerry McCormack, Kevin Conwell, Michael Polensek, Rebecca Maurer, Anthony T. Hairston, Blaine A. Griffin, Charles Slife, Deborah A. Gray, Jasmin Santana, Jenny Spencer, Kris Harsh, Stephanie Howse-Jones, Richard A. Starr, and Danny Kelly

**Excused:** 2 - Joseph T. Jones, and Kevin L. Bishop

#### **SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS**

##### **•Condolence; Moment of Silence**

[506-2025](#) Condolence Resolution for Lena Janelle Roberts

**Sponsors:** Stephanie Howse-Jones

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

[507-2025](#) Condolence Resolution for Bonnie Karen Kovanitz

**Sponsors:** Brian Kazy

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

[508-2025](#) Condolence Resolution for Kathee Wynn-Bey

**Sponsors:** Blaine Griffin

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

[509-2025](#) Condolence Resolution for Kenneth Dunnican

**Sponsors:** Anthony Hairston

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

[525-2025](#) Condolence Resolution for Felicia Morton

**Sponsors:** Stephanie Howse-Jones

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

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

[510-2025](#) Congratulations Resolution for Stephen J. Vukmer

**Sponsors:** Blaine Griffin

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

[511-2025](#) Congratulations Resolution for Grand Opening of Neighborhood Family Practice - West 130th Community Health Center

**Sponsors:** Brian Kazy

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

[512-2025](#) Congratulations Resolution for Gloria Jones - Boys & Girls Club

**Sponsors:** Richard Starr

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

[513-2025](#) Congratulations Resolution for Ty' Janeya Gordon

**Sponsors:** Richard Starr

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

[514-2025](#) Congratulations Resolution for The Village of Healing

**Sponsors:** Stephanie Howse-Jones

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

[515-2025](#) Congratulations Resolution for Pregnant with Possibilities

**Sponsors:** Stephanie Howse-Jones

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

[516-2025](#) Recognition Resolution for Arab Americans of Cleveland

**Sponsors:** Blaine Griffin

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

[517-2025](#) Recognition Resolution for Lillian Kuri, Arab American Heritage Month

**Sponsors:** Blaine Griffin

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

[518-2025](#) Recognition Resolution for Raymond Bobgan, Arab American Heritage Month

**Sponsors:** Blaine Griffin

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

[519-2025](#) Recognition Resolution for La Villa Conference and Banquet Center,  
Arab American Heritage Month

**Sponsors:** Blaine Griffin

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

[520-2025](#) Recognition Resolution for North Italian Club

**Sponsors:** Michael Polensek

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

[521-2025](#) Recognition Resolution for National Child Abuse Prevention Month

**Sponsors:** Blaine Griffin

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

[522-2025](#) Recognition Resolution for Greater Cleveland Alumnae Chapter of  
Delta Sigma Theta Sorority

**Sponsors:** Joseph Jones

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

[523-2025](#) Recognition Resolution for Borut Sajovic, Minister of the Defense of the  
Republic of Slovenia

**Sponsors:** Michael Polensek

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

[524-2025](#) Recognition Resolution for Iota Phi Theta Fraternity, Inc.

**Sponsors:** Richard Starr

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

#### **PRESENTATIONS**

Council Member Starr and Council Member Howse-Jones made presentations.

#### **FIRST READING LEGISLATION**

##### **•Emergency Ordinances Referred**

[490-2025](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Authorizing the purchase by one or more requirement contracts of underwater diving, inspection, cleaning, debris removal and occasional repair of submerged and water-filled facilities, for the Division of Water, Department of Public Utilities, for a period of two years.

**Sponsors:** Brian Kazy, Blaine Griffin and By Departmental Request

**Attachments:** [490-2025-Req K diving and underwater inspection](#)

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

[491-2025](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Authorizing Director of Public Utilities to enter into one or more requirement contracts for landscape materials, equipment, supplies, and services needed for testing, maintaining, installing, repairing, and replacing landscaping at City-owned or leased Department of Public Utilities facilities and City rights-of-way, for the Divisions of Water, Water Pollution Control, and Cleveland Public Power, and the Office of Radio Communications, Department of Public Utilities, for a period of two years.

**Sponsors:** Brian Kazy, Blaine Griffin and By Departmental Request

**Attachments:** [491-2025-Req k landscaping-PU](#)

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

[492-2025](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Authorizing the purchase by one or more requirement contracts of water pumps, electric motors, controls, transformers, circuit breakers, switchgear and appurtenances, and for materials, equipment, supplies, parts, and services necessary to test, maintain, replace, and repair water pumps, electric motors, controls, transformers, circuit breakers, switchgear and appurtenances, including but not limited to inspection, supplies, repairing, testing, labor, and installation, if necessary, for the Division of Water, Department of Public Utilities, for a period up to two years.

**Sponsors:** Brian Kazy, Blaine Griffin and By Departmental Request

**Attachments:** [492-2025-Req k water pumps transformers motors](#)

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

[496-2025](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Authorizing the Director of Capital Projects to enter into a Project Development Agreement with the Board of Park Commissioners of the Cleveland Metropolitan Park District regarding the design, construction, and use of four trail projects located within the City of Cleveland; to grant consent to Metroparks to construct the improvements; to apply for and accept any gifts or grants from any public or private entity; authorizing any relative agreements; authorize the Commissioner of Purchasing and Supplies to acquire and accept real property and easements; and causing payment of the City's share to Metroparks.

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

**Attachments:** [496-2025-Project Development Ag with Metroparks for construction of projects using Metroparks RAISE grant](#)

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

[497-2025](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Authorizing the purchase by one or more requirement contracts of labor and materials necessary to maintain control systems of the SCADA and PCCS systems, for the various divisions of the Department of Public Utilities; and authorizing the Director of Public Utilities to enter into one or more requirement contracts without competitive bidding with various companies to provide critical proprietary components for the SCADA and PCCS equipment, for the Divisions of Water and Cleveland Public Power, Department of Public Utilities, for a period up to two years.

**Sponsors:** Brian Kazy, Blaine Griffin and By Departmental Request

**Attachments:** [497-2025-Req K and Dir k for proprietary parts for SCADA and PCCS-Util](#)

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

[498-2025](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Authorizing the Mayor and the Commissioner of Purchases and Supplies to sell certain City-owned properties no longer needed for the City's public use located in the vicinity of the I-90 Central Interchange from East 9th Street to Carnegie Avenue for the purpose of constructing improvements to the interchange.

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

**Attachments:** [498-2025-Sell property to ODOT for I-90 improvements from E. 9 to Carnegie](#)

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



[499-2025](#)

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Authorizing the Director of Economic Development to enter into a Tax Increment Financing Agreement with Shoreway Tower, LLC, and/or its designee, to assist with the financing of the Shoreway Tower Project to be located at 1200 West 76th Street; to provide for payments to the Cleveland Metropolitan School District; and to declare certain improvements to real property to be a public purpose.

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

**Attachments:** [499-2025-TIF w Shoreway Tower LLC for 1200 W 76th Shoreway Tower project](#)  
[499-2025-A-FILE-TIF w Shoreway Tower, LLC for 1200 W 76th Shoreway Tower project](#)

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

[502-2025](#)

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Authorizing the Director of Public Health to enter into one or more contracts with Downtown Cleveland Alliance, The Centers for Families and Children, and other partners in homeless services for the purpose of continuing “A Home for Every Neighbor: A Vision For Housing Our Unsheltered Community” Initiative, which is a direct-to-housing encampment resolution to bring people off the streets and into housing, for the Department of Public Health, for a period of one year, with one option to renew for a period up to one year, exercisable by the Director of Public Health.

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

**Attachments:** [502-2025-K w Downtown Cleveland Alliance, Centers for Families an Children and others for A home for Every Neighbor program, homeless](#)

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

[503-2025](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Authorizing the Director of Public Works, on behalf of the Office of Sustainability, to employ one or more professional consultants to manage the use of City-owned electric vehicle charging stations or electric vehicle service equipment; and to charge fees relating to the charging stations and equipment; and authorizing the Director to enter into various written standard purchase and requirement contracts needed for materials, equipment, supplies and services needed to maintain the stations, including labor when necessary, for the Department of Public Works.

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

**Attachments:** [503-2025-Prof Serv to manage Electric Vehicle Charging Stations and equipment charge fees](#)

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

[504-2025](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Establishing a moratorium on the issuance of all use permits and building permits, certificates of occupancy, sign permits, tobacco retail sales licenses, and other licenses or permits for smoke shops.

**Sponsors:** Kevin Conwell, Blaine Griffin, Jasmin Santana, Brian Kazy, Kerry McCormack, Charles Slife, Rebecca Maurer and Deborah Gray

**Attachments:** [504-2025-Moratorium on permits and licenses for Smoke Shops](#)

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

**•Emergency Ordinances Read in Full and Passed**

[500-2025](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Approving the collective bargaining agreement with the Fraternal Order of Police, Ohio Labor Council (Finger Printers and Scientific Examiners); and to amend Section 28 of Ordinance No. 194-2021, passed March 29, 2021, as amended by Ordinance No. 1284-2022, passed December 5, 2022, relating to compensation for various classifications.

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

**Attachments:** [500-2025-FOR PASSAGE-Ratify CBA collective bargaining agreement with FOP, fingerprinters and scientific examiners, and amend sec 28](#)  
[500-2025-A-FILE- Ratify CBA collective bargaining agreement with FOP, fingerprinters and scientific examiners, and amend sec 28](#)  
[500-2025-FP letter - Ratify CBA collective bargaining agreement with FOP, fingerprinters and scientific examiners, and amend sec 28](#)

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

**Yea:** 15 - Brian Kazy, Kerry McCormack, Kevin Conwell, Michael Polensek, Rebecca Maurer, Anthony T. Hairston, Blaine A. Griffin, Charles Slife, Deborah A. Gray, Jasmin Santana, Jenny Spencer, Kris Harsh, Stephanie Howse-Jones, Richard A. Starr, and Danny Kelly

**Excused:** 2 - Joseph T. Jones, and Kevin L. Bishop

•Ordinances Referred

[501-2025](#) AN ORDINANCE Changing the Use, Area and Height District of parcels of land along the western side of West 26th Street south of Chatham Avenue and north of Monroe Avenue as shown on the attached map (Map Change 2689).

**Sponsors:** Kerry McCormack and By Departmental Request

**Attachments:** [501-2025-Zoning- W of W 26 and S of Chatham ave and N of Monroe ave](#)

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

•Emergency Resolutions Read in Full and Adopted

[493-2025](#) AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION Objecting to the transfer of stock of a C2, C2X, and D6, Liquor Permit to 4127 East 131st Street.

**Sponsors:** Joseph Jones

**Indexes:** LIQUOR PERMITS; WARD 01

**Attachments:** [493-2025-FOR ADOPTION-OBJ-STOCK-4127 East 131 St](#)

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

**Yea:** 15 - Brian Kazy, Kerry McCormack, Kevin Conwell, Michael Polensek, Rebecca Maurer, Anthony T. Hairston, Blaine A. Griffin, Charles Slife, Deborah A. Gray, Jasmin Santana, Jenny Spencer, Kris Harsh, Stephanie Howse-Jones, Richard A. Starr, and Danny Kelly

**Excused:** 2 - Joseph T. Jones, and Kevin L. Bishop

[494-2025](#) AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION Objecting to the transfer of ownership of a C2 and C2X Liquor Permit to 3738 Newark Avenue, 1st Floor.

**Sponsors:** Jasmin Santana

**Indexes:** LIQUOR PERMITS; WARD 14

**Attachments:** [494-2025-FOR ADOPTION-OBJ-TRFO-3738 Newark Ave 1st Fl](#)

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

**Yea:** 15 - Brian Kazy, Kerry McCormack, Kevin Conwell, Michael Polensek, Rebecca Maurer, Anthony T. Hairston, Blaine A. Griffin, Charles Slife, Deborah A. Gray, Jasmin Santana, Jenny Spencer, Kris Harsh, Stephanie Howse-Jones, Richard A. Starr, and Danny Kelly

**Excused:** 2 - Joseph T. Jones, and Kevin L. Bishop

[495-2025](#) AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION Withdrawing objection to the renewal of a D1, D2, D3, and D3A Liquor Permit at 13933 St. Clair Avenue patio and repealing Resolution No. 704-2024 objecting to said renewal.

**Sponsors:** Michael Polensek

**Indexes:** LIQUOR PERMITS; WARD 08

**Attachments:** [495-2025-FOR ADOPTION-WITHDRAWAL-REN-13933 St. Clair Ave](#)

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

**Yea:** 15 - Brian Kazy, Kerry McCormack, Kevin Conwell, Michael Polensek, Rebecca Maurer, Anthony T. Hairston, Blaine A. Griffin, Charles Slife, Deborah A. Gray, Jasmin Santana, Jenny Spencer, Kris Harsh, Stephanie Howse-Jones, Richard A. Starr, and Danny Kelly

**Excused:** 2 - Joseph T. Jones, and Kevin L. Bishop

[505-2025](#) AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION Withdrawing objection to the transfer of ownership of a D3A, D3 and D1 Liquor 18025-29 Euclid Avenue and repealing Resolution No. 1210-2024 objecting to said permit.

**Sponsors:** Anthony Hairston

**Indexes:** LIQUOR PERMITS; WARD 10

**Attachments:** [505-2025-FOR ADOPTION-WITHDRAWAL-TRFO-18025-29 Euclid Ave](#)

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

**Yea:** 15 - Brian Kazy, Kerry McCormack, Kevin Conwell, Michael Polensek, Rebecca Maurer, Anthony T. Hairston, Blaine A. Griffin, Charles Slife, Deborah A. Gray, Jasmin Santana, Jenny Spencer, Kris Harsh, Stephanie Howse-Jones, Richard A. Starr, and Danny Kelly

**Excused:** 2 - Joseph T. Jones, and Kevin L. Bishop

## **SECOND READING LEGISLATION**

### **•Emergency Ordinances Passed**

[186-2025](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE To amend Sections 607.15 of the Codified Ordinances of Cleveland, Ohio, 1976, relating to the illegal distribution of cigarettes, other tobacco products or alternative nicotine products.

**Sponsors:** Kevin Conwell, Blaine Griffin, Jasmin Santana, Brian Kazy and By Departmental Request

**Indexes:** CODIFIED ORDINANCES; HEALTH DEPARTMENT; TOBACCO PRODUCTS

**Attachments:** [186-2025-Amend 607.15- illegal distribution of nicotine products](#)  
[186-2025 Executive Summary](#)

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

**Yea:** 15 - Brian Kazy, Kerry McCormack, Kevin Conwell, Michael Polensek, Rebecca Maurer, Anthony T. Hairston, Blaine A. Griffin, Charles Slife, Deborah A. Gray, Jasmin Santana, Jenny Spencer, Kris Harsh, Stephanie Howse-Jones, Richard A. Starr, and Danny Kelly

**Excused:** 2 - Joseph T. Jones, and Kevin L. Bishop

**187-2025**

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE To supplement the Codified Ordinances of Cleveland, Ohio, 1976, by enacting new Sections 235A.01 through 235A.11 and 235A.99, relating to tobacco retail licensing.

**Sponsors:** Kevin Conwell, Blaine Griffin, Jasmin Santana, Brian Kazy and By Departmental Request

**Indexes:** CODIFIED ORDINANCES; HEALTH DEPARTMENT; TOBACCO PRODUCTS SALES LICENSING

**Attachments:** [187-2025-Enact Chapter 235A - Tobacco Retail Licensing](#)

[187-2025 Executive Summary](#)

[187-2025-additional amendments for consideration](#)

[187-2025 as amended-desk copy-Final](#)

[187-2025-Amend 187-2025](#)

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

**Yea:** 15 - Brian Kazy, Kerry McCormack, Kevin Conwell, Michael Polensek, Rebecca Maurer, Anthony T. Hairston, Blaine A. Griffin, Charles Slife, Deborah A. Gray, Jasmin Santana, Jenny Spencer, Kris Harsh, Stephanie Howse-Jones, Richard A. Starr, and Danny Kelly

**Excused:** 2 - Joseph T. Jones, and Kevin L. Bishop

**188-2025**

AN Emergency ORDINANCE To enact new Section 347.21 of the Codified Ordinances of Cleveland, Ohio, 1976, relating to smoke shops.

**Sponsors:** Kevin Conwell, Blaine Griffin, Jasmin Santana, Brian Kazy, Joseph Jones and By Departmental Request

**Indexes:** CODIFIED ORDINANCES; HEALTH DEPARTMENT; SMOKE SHOPS

**Attachments:** [188-2025-Enact Sec. 347.21 - Zoning for smoke shops](#)

[188-2025 Executive Summary](#)

[188-2025 & 189-2025 PRESENTATION](#)

[188-2025 as amended-desk copy-Final](#)

[188-2025-Amend 188-2025](#)

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

**Yea:** 15 - Brian Kazy, Kerry McCormack, Kevin Conwell, Michael Polensek, Rebecca Maurer, Anthony T. Hairston, Blaine A. Griffin, Charles Slife, Deborah A. Gray, Jasmin Santana, Jenny Spencer, Kris Harsh, Stephanie Howse-Jones, Richard A. Starr, and Danny Kelly

**Excused:** 2 - Joseph T. Jones, and Kevin L. Bishop

[189-2025](#) AN Emergency ORDINANCE To supplement the Codified Ordinances of Cleveland, Ohio, 1976, by enacting new Section 350.121 relating to window sign coverage limitation and to amend Section 3104.02 of the codified ordinances, as amended by Ordinance No. 388-2024, passed April 1, 2024, relating to civil offenses.

**Sponsors:** Kevin Conwell, Blaine Griffin, Jasmin Santana, Brian Kazy and By Departmental Request

**Indexes:** CODIFIED ORDINANCES; HEALTH DEPARTMENT; WINDOW SIGN COVERAGE LIMITATION

**Attachments:** [189-2025-Enact Sec. 350.121 and amend Sec. 3104.02 - Advertising in windows](#)  
[189-2025 Executive Summary](#)  
[188-2025 & 189-2025 PRESENTATION](#)  
[189-2025 as amended-desk copy-Final](#)  
[189-2025-Amend 189-2025](#)

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

**Yea:** 15 - Brian Kazy, Kerry McCormack, Kevin Conwell, Michael Polensek, Rebecca Maurer, Anthony T. Hairston, Blaine A. Griffin, Charles Slife, Deborah A. Gray, Jasmin Santana, Jenny Spencer, Kris Harsh, Stephanie Howse-Jones, Richard A. Starr, and Danny Kelly

**Excused:** 2 - Joseph T. Jones, and Kevin L. Bishop

[229-2025](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE To amend the title and Section 1 of Ordinance No. 1052-2024, passed November 25, 2024, to change the name of Prospect International Airport Services Corporation to Prospect International Airport Services, LLC.

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

**Indexes:** NAME - CHANGE ; PORT CONTROL DEPARTMENT

**Attachments:** [229-2025-amend ord 1052-2024 Prospect International Airport Services name change](#)  
[229-2025 Executive Summary](#)  
[229-2025 as amended-desk copy-Final](#)  
[229-2025-Amend 229-2025](#)

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

**Yea:** 15 - Brian Kazy, Kerry McCormack, Kevin Conwell, Michael Polensek, Rebecca Maurer, Anthony T. Hairston, Blaine A. Griffin, Charles Slife, Deborah A. Gray, Jasmin Santana, Jenny Spencer, Kris Harsh, Stephanie Howse-Jones, Richard A. Starr, and Danny Kelly

**Excused:** 2 - Joseph T. Jones, and Kevin L. Bishop

**234-2025**

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Authorizing the Director of Port Control to employ one or more professional consultants to provide technical support and maintenance of core information technology activities and other related services and to acquire software, for the Department of Port Control, for a period of one year, with four one-year options to renew, exercisable by the Director of Port Control.

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

**Indexes:** PORT CONTROL DEPARTMENT; PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACTS

**Attachments:** [234-2025-Prof serv tech support and maintenance for core IT- PC](#)  
[234-2025 Executive Summary](#)

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

**Yea:** 15 - Brian Kazy, Kerry McCormack, Kevin Conwell, Michael Polensek, Rebecca Maurer, Anthony T. Hairston, Blaine A. Griffin, Charles Slife, Deborah A. Gray, Jasmin Santana, Jenny Spencer, Kris Harsh, Stephanie Howse-Jones, Richard A. Starr, and Danny Kelly

**Excused:** 2 - Joseph T. Jones, and Kevin L. Bishop

**238-2025**

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE To amend Section 2 of Ordinance No. 402-2022, passed June 6, 2022, relating to general planning, engineering and design services to add an additional funding source.

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

**Indexes:** PORT CONTROL DEPARTMENT; PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACTS

**Attachments:** [238-2025-amend ord 402-2022 provide general planning and engineering- add funding source](#)  
[238-2025 Executive Summary](#)

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

**Yea:** 15 - Brian Kazy, Kerry McCormack, Kevin Conwell, Michael Polensek, Rebecca Maurer, Anthony T. Hairston, Blaine A. Griffin, Charles Slife, Deborah A. Gray, Jasmin Santana, Jenny Spencer, Kris Harsh, Stephanie Howse-Jones, Richard A. Starr, and Danny Kelly

**Excused:** 2 - Joseph T. Jones, and Kevin L. Bishop



[240-2025](#)

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE To repeal Ordinance No. 828-2024, passed September 23, 2024, relating to the purchase of up to thirteen passenger-boarding bridges at Cleveland Hopkins International Airport; and determining the method of making the public improvement of purchasing, installing, disposing, designing and constructing of up to thirteen passenger boarding bridges and appurtenances; and authorizing the Director of Port Control to enter into one or more public improvement contracts for the making of the improvement.

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

**Indexes:** CLEVELAND HOPKINS INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT; PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT CONTRACTS

**Attachments:** [240-2025-Repeal 828-2024 Std k thirteen passenger boarding bridges to change to PIK and design build](#)  
[240-2025 Executive Summary](#)  
[240-2025 as amended-desk copy-Final](#)  
[240-2025-Amend 240-2025](#)

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

**Yea:** 15 - Brian Kazy, Kerry McCormack, Kevin Conwell, Michael Polensek, Rebecca Maurer, Anthony T. Hairston, Blaine A. Griffin, Charles Slife, Deborah A. Gray, Jasmin Santana, Jenny Spencer, Kris Harsh, Stephanie Howse-Jones, Richard A. Starr, and Danny Kelly

**Excused:** 2 - Joseph T. Jones, and Kevin L. Bishop

[246-2025](#)

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Authorizing the Directors of Parks and Recreation and Community Development to enter into a property exchange agreement with the Board of Education of the Cleveland Municipal School District for the transfer of various properties between the parties to facilitate the efficient use of real estate for public purposes including construction of the new JFK High School Athletic Stadium at property near the new JFK High School and City-owned JFK Recreation Center; authorizing the Mayor and Commissioner of Purchases and Supplies to acquire and convey the properties; and authorizing one or more agreements between the Cleveland Municipal School District and the Director of Parks and Recreation relating to the construction and shared use of the new stadium, for a term of fifteen years and renewing automatically from year to year thereafter until terminated by either party.

**Sponsors:** Joseph Jones, Kevin Bishop, Anthony Hairston, Blaine Griffin and By Departmental Request

**Indexes:** CLEVELAND METROPOLITAN SCHOOL DISTRICT ; COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT; PARKS AND RECREATION ; PURCHASES AND SUPPLIES DIVISION; WARD 01

**Attachments:** [246-2025-Land swap with CMSD JFK Stadium Shared Use Ag](#)

[246-2025 Location Maps](#)

[246-2025 PRESENTATION](#)

[246-2025 Amend 246-2025](#)

[246-2025 as amended-desk copy-Final](#)

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

**Yea:** 15 - Brian Kazy, Kerry McCormack, Kevin Conwell, Michael Polensek, Rebecca Maurer, Anthony T. Hairston, Blaine A. Griffin, Charles Slife, Deborah A. Gray, Jasmin Santana, Jenny Spencer, Kris Harsh, Stephanie Howse-Jones, Richard A. Starr, and Danny Kelly

**Excused:** 2 - Joseph T. Jones, and Kevin L. Bishop

[338-2025](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Authorizing the Director of Building and Housing to enter into one or more contracts with Crowe LLP for professional services necessary to perform lead-safe auditor services, for a period of three years.

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

**Indexes:** BUILDING AND HOUSING DEPARTMENT; PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACTS; LEAD SAFE

**Attachments:** [338-2025-K w Crowe LLP for Lead Safe Auditor](#)  
[338-2024 FP Letter - Amend various non-union paybands 2-6 30-45 53 56 and 56 57](#)

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

**Yea:** 15 - Brian Kazy, Kerry McCormack, Kevin Conwell, Michael Polensek, Rebecca Maurer, Anthony T. Hairston, Blaine A. Griffin, Charles Slife, Deborah A. Gray, Jasmin Santana, Jenny Spencer, Kris Harsh, Stephanie Howse-Jones, Richard A. Starr, and Danny Kelly

**Excused:** 2 - Joseph T. Jones, and Kevin L. Bishop

[423-2025](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE To add the name Jonah Moore, Sr. Way as a secondary and honorary name to Dickens Avenue between East 93rd Street and Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive.

**Sponsors:** Deborah Gray

**Indexes:** CITY PLANNING COMMISSION; STREETS -- DEDICATION; WARD 04

**Attachments:** [423-2025-desig honorary name of Jonah Moore Way to Dickens Ave](#)

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

**Yea:** 15 - Brian Kazy, Kerry McCormack, Kevin Conwell, Michael Polensek, Rebecca Maurer, Anthony T. Hairston, Blaine A. Griffin, Charles Slife, Deborah A. Gray, Jasmin Santana, Jenny Spencer, Kris Harsh, Stephanie Howse-Jones, Richard A. Starr, and Danny Kelly

**Excused:** 2 - Joseph T. Jones, and Kevin L. Bishop

[434-2025](#)

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Authorizing the Director of Economic Development to enter into a Tax Increment Financing Agreement with JSAACC LLC, and/or its designee, to assist with the financing of the African Town Plaza Project to be located at 7515 Cedar Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio; to provide for payments to the Cleveland Metropolitan School District; and to declare certain improvements to real property to be a public purpose.

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

**Indexes:** ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT; TAX INCREMENT FINANCING ( TIF )  
; WARD 05

**Attachments:** [434-2025-TIF Ag w JSAACC LLC for African Town Plaza](#)

[434-2025-A-FILE-TIF Ag w JSAACC LLC for African Town Plaza](#)

[434-2025 Executive Summary](#)

[434-2025 PRESENTATION](#)

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

**Yea:** 15 - Brian Kazy, Kerry McCormack, Kevin Conwell, Michael Polensek, Rebecca Maurer, Anthony T. Hairston, Blaine A. Griffin, Charles Slife, Deborah A. Gray, Jasmin Santana, Jenny Spencer, Kris Harsh, Stephanie Howse-Jones, Richard A. Starr, and Danny Kelly

**Excused:** 2 - Joseph T. Jones, and Kevin L. Bishop

•Emergency Resolutions Adopted

[469-2025](#)

AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION Recognizing National Black Maternal Health Week April 11 - April 17, 2025, and declaring this week Black Maternal Health Week in the City of Cleveland; and honoring the efforts of Black-led organizations driving systemic change in maternal health, and committing to supporting initiatives that promote equity, healing, and thriving communities.

**Sponsors:** Stephanie Howse-Jones

**Indexes:** BLACK MATERNAL HEALTH WEEK ; RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT; WARD 07

**Attachments:** [469-2025-Black Maternal Health Week](#)

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

**Yea:** 15 - Brian Kazy, Kerry McCormack, Kevin Conwell, Michael Polensek, Rebecca Maurer, Anthony T. Hairston, Blaine A. Griffin, Charles Slife, Deborah A. Gray, Jasmin Santana, Jenny Spencer, Kris Harsh, Stephanie Howse-Jones, Richard A. Starr, and Danny Kelly

**Excused:** 2 - Joseph T. Jones, and Kevin L. Bishop

**INTRODUCTIONS**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**MISCELLANEOUS**

Council Members McCormack, Polensek and Griffin made remarks.

**MOTION TO EXCUSE THE ABSENCES**

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

**Yea:** 15 - Brian Kazy, Kerry McCormack, Kevin Conwell, Michael Polensek, Rebecca Maurer, Anthony T. Hairston, Blaine A. Griffin, Charles Slife, Deborah A. Gray, Jasmin Santana, Jenny Spencer, Kris Harsh, Stephanie Howse-Jones, Richard A. Starr, and Danny Kelly

**Excused:** 2 - Joseph T. Jones, and Kevin L. Bishop

**ADJOURN**

8:34 p.m.