

Cleveland City Council

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



Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, September 3, 2025

11:00 AM

SPECIAL MEETING. This meeting will be conducted virtually and will be live broadcast. See meeting notice for public access information and agenda details.

City Council

This meeting will be conducted virtually. Public access available via YouTube's Cleveland City Council page and Channel 20 live broadcast and livestream.

CALL TO ORDER; ROLL CALL

11:00 a.m.

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

Excused 3 - Deborah A. Gray, Joseph T. Jones, and Danny Kelly

MOMENT OF REFLECTION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

•Communications

[1064-2025](#) Notice of Special Meeting of Council on September 3, 2025.

Attachments: [Special Mtg Notice for 9-3-2025](#)

This Communication was received and filed.

FIRST READING LEGISLATION

•Emergency Ordinances Read in Full and Passed

[1065-2025](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Approving the report of the Assessment Equalization Board on objections concerning estimated assessments with respect to the re-creation of the Downtown Cleveland Improvement District; determining to proceed with the plan to provide public services within the District; adopting the assessments; levying the assessments; and authorizing the City to enter into an agreement with the Downtown Cleveland Improvement Corporation.

Sponsors: Kerry McCormack, Richard Starr, Stephanie Howse-Jones, Anthony Hairston, Blaine Griffin and By Departmental Request

Indexes: ASSESSMENT EQUALIZATION BOARD; DOWNTOWN CLEVELAND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT ; DOWNTOWN CLEVELAND ALLIANCE

Attachments: [1065-2025-FOR PASSAGE-Approve Report of Assessment Equalization Board for Downtown Cleveland](#)
[1065-2025-A-FILE - Approve Report of Assessment Equalization Board for Downtown Cleveland \(2\)](#)
[1065-2025-Legis Summary - Downtown SID Levy Assessments](#)
[1065-2025-FP Letter - Approve Report of Assessment Equalization Board for Downtown Cleveland](#)

A motion was made by Council Member Bishop, seconded by Council Member Kazy, 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, Charles Slife, Jasmin Santana, Jenny Spencer, Kevin L. Bishop, Kris Harsh, Stephanie Howse-Jones, and Richard A. Starr

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MOTION TO EXCUSE THE ABSENCES

The absences of Council Members Gray, Jones and Kelly were excused.

This was approved.

ADJOURN

11:16 a.m.