

Cleveland City Council

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



Meeting Minutes

Monday, March 2, 2026

7:00 PM

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

Council Chambers

City Council

CALL TO ORDER; ROLL CALL

This meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m.

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

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

Comments were made by Adrian Freeman, Darrell Houston, Terrence Upchurch, Teri Wang, Enoch Hall, Dontz Taylor, Matthew Sroczynski, and Juan C. Collado Diaz

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

From Mayor Justin Bibb. Appointment to Cuyahoga County Port Authority.

David J. Wondolowski, for an appointment to a four-year term ending January 31, 2030.

Indexes: COMMUNICATIONS; CUYAHOGA COUNTY PORT AUTHORITY; MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT COMMITTEE

Attachments: [263-2026-Cuy. Co. Port Authority-Appointment Letter-David J. Wondolowski](#)

This Communication was received and filed.

From Mayor Justin Bibb. Appointment to Cuyahoga County Port Authority.

J. Stephan Holmes, for reappointment to a two-year term ending January 31, 2028.

Indexes: COMMUNICATIONS; CUYAHOGA COUNTY PORT AUTHORITY; MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT COMMITTEE

Attachments: [264-2026-Cuy. Co. Port Authority-Appointment Letter - Stephan Holmes](#)

This Communication was received and filed.

From Mayor Justin Bibb. Appointment to Cuyahoga County Port Authority.

Teleange' Thomas, for reappointment to a four-year term ending January 31, 2030.

Indexes: COMMUNICATIONS; CUYAHOGA COUNTY PORT AUTHORITY; MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT COMMITTEE

Attachments: [265-2026-Cuy. Co. Port Authority-Appointment Letter- Teleange Thomas](#)

This Communication was received and filed.

From Mayor Justin Bibb. Appointment to Cuyahoga County Port Authority.

Luis Cartagena, for reappointment to a three-year term ending January 31, 2029.

Indexes: COMMUNICATIONS; CUYAHOGA COUNTY PORT AUTHORITY; MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT COMMITTEE

Attachments: [266-2026-Cuy. Co. Port Authority-Appointment Letter-Luis Cartagena](#)

This Communication was received and filed.

From Mayor Justin Bibb. Appointment to Cuyahoga County Port Authority.

Glen Shumate, for reappointment to a two-year term ending January 31, 2028.

Indexes: COMMUNICATIONS; CUYAHOGA COUNTY PORT AUTHORITY; MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT COMMITTEE

Attachments: [267-2026-Cuy. Co. Port Authority-Appointment Letter-Glen Shumate](#)

This Communication was received and filed.

From Mayor Justin Bibb. Appointment to Community Relations Board (CRB). Stephanie Morrison-Hrbek

Indexes: COMMUNICATIONS; COMMUNITY RELATIONS BOARD; MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT COMMITTEE

Attachments: [268-2026-Community Relations Board-Appointment Letter -Stephanie Morrison-Hrbek](#)

This Communication was received and filed.

From Mayor Justin Bibb. Appointment to City of Cleveland's Fair Wage Employment Board, Lucas Reeve

Indexes: COMMUNICATIONS; FAIR EMPLOYMENT WAGE BOARD ; MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT COMMITTEE

Attachments: [269-2026-Cleve Fair Wage Employment Board-Appointment Letter-Lucas Reeve](#)

This Communication was received and filed.

Oath of Office for Marcus Madison, member, Board of Zoning Appeals, City of Cleveland.

Indexes: BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS; COMMUNICATIONS; OATH OF OFFICE

Attachments: [270-2026-Communications-Oath of Office- Marcus Madison- \(BOZA\)](#)

This Communication was received and filed.

SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS

•Condolence; Moment of Silence

Condolence Resolution for Ray Clinton Green

Indexes: WARD 09; CONDOLENCES

This Ceremonial Resolution was read into the record.

Condolence Resolution for Marcellus Eugene Molton

Indexes: WARD 01; CONDOLENCES

This Ceremonial Resolution was read into the record.

Condolence Resolution for DeOtis “Sean Oatz” Hollaman

Indexes: WARD 05; CONDOLENCES

This Ceremonial Resolution was read into the record.

Condolence Resolution for Harold Buck

Indexes: CONDOLENCES; WARD 07

This Ceremonial Resolution was read into the record.

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

Congratulations Resolution for Quality Electrodynamics (QED)

Indexes: CONGRATULATIONS; WARD 06

This Ceremonial Resolution was read into the record.

Congratulations Resolution for Filippo “Fil” Scafidi

Indexes: CONGRATULATIONS; WARD 10

This Ceremonial Resolution was read into the record.

Recognition Resolution for Christine Clay (Eskidge)

Indexes: RECOGNITION; WARD 03

This Ceremonial Resolution was read into the record.

Recognition Resolution for Betty K. Pickney

Indexes: RECOGNITION; WARD 03

This Ceremonial Resolution was read into the record.

Recognition Resolution for Deborah A. Gray Hidden Figures Honore

Indexes: RECOGNITION; WARD 06

This Ceremonial Resolution was read into the record.

Recognition Resolution for Richard A. Starr Hidden Figures Honore

Indexes: RECOGNITION; WARD 06

This Ceremonial Resolution was read into the record.

Recognition Resolution for Sonali Bustamante Hidden Figures Honore

Indexes: RECOGNITION; WARD 06

This Ceremonial Resolution was read into the record.

Recognition Resolution for John H. Bustamante Hidden Figures Honore

Indexes: RECOGNITION; WARD 06

This Ceremonial Resolution was read into the record.

Recognition Resolution for Andre Willis & Drevian Arrington "The Trash Boys" Hidden Figures Honore

Indexes: RECOGNITION; WARD 06

This Ceremonial Resolution was read into the record.

Recognition Resolution for Paul Hill Jr. Hidden Figures Honore

Indexes: RECOGNITION; WARD 06

This Ceremonial Resolution was read into the record.

Recognition Resolution for Rev. Hilton O. Smith Hidden Figures Honore

Indexes: RECOGNITION; WARD 06

This Ceremonial Resolution was read into the record.

Recognition Resolution for Say Yes Cleveland

Indexes: RECOGNITION; WARD 08

This Ceremonial Resolution was read into the record.

PRESENTATIONS

FIRST READING LEGISLATION**•Emergency Ordinances Referred**

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE To deposit revenues from on-street parking meters into the General Fund; establishing a Parking Benefits Fund; and enumerating a particular purpose for expenditure through the Parking Benefits Fund.

Indexes: GENERAL FUND; FINANCE DEPARTMENT; PARKING METERS; PUBLIC WORKS

Attachments: [245-2026 Establish Parking Benefits Fund](#)

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

•Emergency Ordinances Read in Full and Passed

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Consenting and approving the issuance of a permit for the Opening Day 4 Miler, on April 3, 2026, managed by Run The Land.

Indexes: PERMITS; RACES; WARD 07

Attachments: [271-2026-FOR PASSAGE-Opening Day 4 Miler 4.3.2026 Ord.](#)

This Emergency Ordinance was approved.

•Emergency Resolutions Read in Full and Adopted

AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION Objecting to the transfer of location of a D5 Liquor Permit to 10300 Union Avenue.

Indexes: LIQUOR PERMITS; WARD 03

Attachments: [246-2026-FOR ADOPTION-OBJ-TFOL-10300 Union Ave-Ward 3](#)

This Emergency Resolution was adopted.

AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION Objecting to the transfer of ownership of a C1 Liquor Permit to 15521 St. Clair Avenue.

Indexes: LIQUOR PERMITS; WARD 10

Attachments: [272-2026-FOR ADOPTION-OBJ-TRFO-15521 St. Clair Ave. -WARD 10](#)

This Emergency Resolution was adopted.

SECOND READING LEGISLATION**•Emergency Ordinances Read in Full and Passed**

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Authorizing the Director of Building and Housing to enter into one or more agreements with the Cuyahoga County Land Reutilization Corporation to allow the City to accept one or more payments as reimbursement to the City for conducting environmental surveys, conducting asbestos abatement, demolition of eligible structures and final site grading under the Building Demolition and Site Revitalization Program.

Indexes: AGREEMENTS; BUILDING AND HOUSING DEPARTMENT; LAND REUTILIZATION CORPORATION

Attachments: [97-2026-Receive reimbursement from Cuyahoga County Land Reutilization Corp for City services](#)
[97-2026 Legislative Summary](#)

This Emergency Ordinance was approved.

•Emergency Resolutions Read in Full and Adopted

AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION Endorsing and urging the Ohio General Assembly to enact House Bill 461 that requires all county and municipal correctional facilities and state correctional institutions to provide deaf, hard of hearing, or severely speech impaired inmates access to teletypewriters at no cost.

Indexes: HOUSE BILL; RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT; WARD 01

Attachments: [235-2026 Jones - Resolution urging enactment of HB 461](#)

This Emergency Resolution was adopted.

AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION Opposing Ohio House Bill 661 and any legislation that prohibits middle and high school student-athletes from earning lawful compensation from their name, image, or likeness and affirming support for student-athletes to pursue NIL opportunities while maintaining their educational and athletic participation.

Indexes: HOUSE BILL; RESOLUTIONS - MISCELLANEOUS; WARD 05; WARD 02; WARD 11; WARD 01

Attachments: [239-2026-Opposing HB661 Starr](#)

This Emergency Resolution was adopted.

AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION Supporting and urging the Ohio General Assembly to enact House Bill 543 to establish the Food Desert Elimination Grant Program; and affirming the City of Cleveland's commitment to expanding access to healthy, affordable food.

Indexes: HOUSE BILL; RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT; WARD 05; WARD 12; WARD 06

Attachments: [240-2026 Starr, Shah - Resolution supporting HB 543](#)

This Emergency Resolution was adopted.

•Emergency Resolutions Adopted

THIRD READING LEGISLATION

INTRODUCTIONS

There were no introductions made

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announcements were made by Council President Griffin and Council Member Conwell.

MISCELLANEOUS

There were no miscellaneous comments made.

MOTION TO EXCUSE THE ABSENCES

On the motion of Council Member Harsh, the absence of Council Member Bishop is hereby authorized. Seconded by Council Member Gray.

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 7:41 p.m.