

*COLUMBUS SOUTH SIDE AREA COMMISSION*

*Tuesday, July 26, 2022, 6:30 pm*

*Minutes*

**Call to Order, Roll Call**

- 12 Commissioners Present
- x Erin Synk - Resident At-Large Commissioner, Public Services Committee
- CSSAC Education Commissioner at Large (vacant)
- x Aaron Hopkins – CSSAC At-Large Religious/Social Services
- x Carly Maggio – District 1 -
- x Rachel Robinson – District 2
- x Thomas Less – District 3
- x Ted Welch – District 4
- April Tisby– District 5
- x Jim Griffin – District 6
- Cassaundra Patterson – District 7
- x Paula Copeland – District 8
- x Lillie Banner – District 9
- x Curtis Davis – CSSAC At-Large Business Commissioner
- CSSAC At-Large Labor/Worker commissioner (Vacant)
- x Kathy Green – PAMA
- x Yeshua Cosme, CSSAC Youth-at Large Commissioner

Chair Jim Griffin called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

❖ *Pledge of Allegiance*

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- **Amendments to Agenda**

There were two proposed amendments: 1) Shelly Douglas will give a presentation on the Frebis Avenue study 2) Ted Welch requested to give a presentation. Curtis Davis motioned to approve amendments; Less seconded; amendments approved.

- **Approval of Minutes**

Erin Synk moved to approve the June 28, 2022 meeting minutes. Davis seconded. Minutes approved.

- **Reading of Correspondence**

No correspondence.

- **City Liaison Report(s) –**

**Katherine Cull, Pride Center;**

Katherine announced the Neighborhood Mayor's Award (for youth) will be Saturday, October 15. Coffee, Community, and Conversation will be offered once a month on Thursdays at the Reeb Center from 10 – 11:30. First meeting is set for July 28, 2022. The Family Southside Expo will be held from 1-4 pm at the Barack Center. Join us for food, games, and music. Thrive to 5 is hosting an Infant Safety Day on July 27, 11 – 1pm at Community Development for All People. The community can reach Katherine at 614.216.8789 (cell) and via email at [khcull@columbus.gov](mailto:khcull@columbus.gov).

**Nancy Sully, City Council Liaison;** Nancy announced that August 2, 2022 is National Night Out. The Southside City Council Community meeting will be September 28, 2022. Contact Nancy at 614.395.6200.

**Community Development for All People Report – Dr. Kaitlin Hansen, PhD;**

- Kaitlyn announced that this coming Sunday, July 31, CD4AP will host Party on the Plaza at the Fresh Market from 6 – 8 pm.
- Job opportunities at CD4AP: 10 full-time engagement person; housing coordinator; Fresh market associates; Americore Vistas Thrive to 5 program; Bikes for All People; and after school leaders and teachers. Minimum starting wage of \$15 an hour.

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### **Standing Committee Reports**

- **Zoning**, Curtis Davis Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturdays @9:00am at site locations for review of pending applications.
  - a) Demolitions: None.
  - b) Variances:
    1. 446 Stanley Avenue. Standard variances. Civic had no objections. Welch motioned to approve. Cosme seconded. Motion carried.
    2. 741 S. 17th Street. Standard variances. The civic approved. Welch motioned to approve. Cosme seconded. Motion carried.
  
- **Education**, (Vacant), meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month. No report
  
- **PAMA**, See Public Relations
  
- **Safety, Health, Welfare and Equity**, (Vacant), meets 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month. No report.
  
- **Public Services/ Planning**, Erin Synk – meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday @ 6:00 pm, @ Library. Erin coordinated a presentation from Shelly Douglas concerning the Transportation and Safety Study on Frebis Avenue, between Bruck and Alum Creek. The road expands from 25 – 30 feet to 48 feet wide as one approaches Alum Creek as the neighborhood moves from residential to industrial. Speed becomes an issue as traffic moves toward Alum Creek. City has received many 311 complaints about speeding on this stretch of roadway. The design solutions are to create a Bike Blvd from Bruck to Parsons where traffic is slower. Between Parsons and Lockbourne, the road widens enough to add an actual bike lane. From Lockbourne to Burstock Road, the road is wide enough for a bike lane plus buffers which would continue up to Alum Creek. They could even add in a turn lane for bikes as the road is wide enough. Bike lane intersections would have green turn boxes. Also included in the design are intersection humps (traffic calming), bus stop placement and high visibility crosswalks. The study wraps

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up in the Fall of 2022. Comments are due August 9. Chair Griffin motioned that Erin write a letter from the Commission, supporting the project. Davis seconded. Motion carried.

- **Public Relations, Kathy Green** – Kathy Green needs two commissioners to help staff tables on September 11 at the Merion Village Festival. Please contact Kathy with August and September Calendar Events.
- **Religious Services, Rev. Aaron Hopkins** – No report.
- **Substance Abuse Solutions Committee, Anne Stewart** – No report.
- **Youth Commissioner, Yesh Cosme** – No report.
- **Bylaws Committee, Tom Less** – Tom summarized the committee's proposed changes to the By-laws. Article III, Section 2 Membership – resignation may be accepted by the Chair. Section 5 Attendance – commissioners should not miss more than 3 consecutive meetings or they could be removed by the Executive Committee. Section 7 Vacancies – 60day requirement to fill vacant sets has been removed. Article IV, Section 5 Secretary – In the absence of Secretary, another Commissioner may serve. Article V, Section 1 – remove the 2.5-hour limit on meeting length. Section 2, Annual Meeting shall follow seating of all new members. Section 5 - meeting notices shall follow City guidelines. Section 6 – a quorum is a simple majority of members seated. Section 8, Order of Business shall be set by Executive Committee. Article VI, Section 1 - commissioners are encouraged to serve on one committee. Section 5, Standing Committees – The Executive Committee shall meet at times determined by the Chair. Zoning Committee shall meet at the site with 3 days public notice. Public Services Committee shall meet with 3 day's notice. Education Committee shall meet with 3 day's notice. Public Relations Committee shall meet with 3 day's notice. Special committees shall meet at the discretion of the Chair with 3 day's notice. Elections, Article 7, Section 3. It is the election committee's role to solicit candidates for vacancies. Article IX Parliamentary Procedures - Struck that article and merged text from Article X, requiring use of Robert's Rules of Order. In Addendum A, Thurman Square Civic Association was removed as it is not active. After considering comments from Curtis Davis, Tom Less motioned to amend Article III, Section V to state that commissioners who miss more than 3 meetings could be removed upon a vote of the commission based on a recommendation from the Executive Committee. Synk seconded. Motion carried.

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### **Reports of Officers:**

- **Report from the Chair**, Chair Jim Griffin motioned to appoint himself as Chair of the election committee due to the fact that Paula Copeland is running this year. Davis seconded. Motion carried.
- **Fiscal Report:** We received our \$2500 from the City.
- **Informal & Public Presentations:** Green Columbus stated they are not affiliated with the City. They advocate for more trees on the Southside as tree cover here is thin. They have been working with Church 4 All People and their Trees 4 All People initiative. Wants input from the community. They plan to start planting trees in Vassor Village and would appreciate collaboration with community members. On October 15 at the Barack Center, Green Columbus will host a free tree give-away. Go to [www.greencbus.org](http://www.greencbus.org) to reserve your tree.
- **Public Comments & Announcements:** None.
- **District Reports:**
  - District 1 – Carly Maggio, Schumacher Place: 6:30pm, 1st Tuesday, 1113 Parsons Ave (Library); No report.
  - District 2 – Rachel Robinson, Southern Orchards, 6PM, 1st Tuesday, 1113 Parsons Ave (Library). No report.
  - District 3 – Tom Less, 7PM, 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday, St. Paul United Church of Christ, 225 E. Gates Street. No report.
  - District 4 – Ted Welch, SSCAN, 6:30 PM, 2nd Monday, Residences at Career Gateway (RCG), 747 Whitter Ave; Edgewood Civic & T has been allocated to Thurman Square, 7 PM, 2nd Tuesday, Corpus Christi Church, 1111 Stewart Ave; Ganther’s Place, 6 PM 4th Thursday of the month. On July 19<sup>th</sup>, Judge Mingo transferred all of Monte Williamson’s

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properties to Receivership. 507-509 Thurman has been fast tracked for a hearing on August 10 at noon. Property owner has not complied with code enforcement.

- District 5 – April Tisby: Deshler Park Civic Association, 3rd Thursday, Fruit of the Spirit Church, 1355 Frebis Ave., Columbus, Ohio 43206. No report.
- District 6 – Jim Griffin: Vassor Village Civic Association 7PM, Barack Recreation Center, 580 E Woodrow Ave. No report.
- District 7 – Cassandra Patterson: Innis Gardens Village Civic Association, 6:30PM, 3rd Thursday, Barack Community Center, 580 E. Woodrow Ave. No report.
- District 8 – Paula Copeland: Hungarian Village Society, 7pm, 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday at @ Tara Hall, 274 E. Innis Ave. No report.
- District 9 – Lillie Banner: Reeb-Hosack/Steelton Village Association, 6:30pm, 2nd Tuesday, Resurrection Missionary Baptist Church, 258 Hosack St. No report.

**New Business:** None.

**Adjournment & Next Meeting:** Meeting adjourned at 7:58 pm. Next meeting September 27, 2022, 6:30 pm.

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