



Cleveland City Council

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Cleveland City Council '24-'25 SESSION COMMITTEE PRIORITIES

Development, Planning and Sustainability

Chair: Anthony T. Hairston
Vice Chair: Jasmin Santana

- Housing down payment assistance for residents
- Gap financing for home ownership opportunities
- Increased financial and technical support for local small businesses
- Review of Planning Commission practices and policies

Health, Human Services and the Arts

Chair: Kevin Conwell
Vice Chair: Rebecca Maurer

- Lead oversight
- Emergency preparedness for communicable diseases
- Combatting illegal dumping
- Lighting for multifamily apartments
- Reviewing Health Department's Strategic Plan

Municipal Services & Properties

Chair: Kevin L. Bishop
Vice Chair: Richard A. Starr

- Timely correspondence and review of the Capital Plan
- Quality of life and service delivery, including maintenance of vacant lots
- Neighborhood Resource and Recreation Center improvements and repairs

Safety

Chair: Michael D. Polensek
Vice Chair: Joseph T. Jones

- Monitoring the staffing levels in Divisions of Police, and Fire and EMS
- Monitor uniformed police overtime
- Exploring how the Community Relations Board has been managing Violence Interruption initiatives internally and externally
- Taking a deep dive into ShotSpotter and its effectiveness in the city
- Advocating for the installation of more safety and security cameras throughout the city
- Updates on the installation of dashcams for frontline Police Zone cars
- Continued engagement with the Federal Monitor and the Consent Decree

Safety

Continued

- Exploring how to deploy the nine City-owned drones for safety purposes
- Continue to monitor the purchase and delivery of equipment for all four Divisions of Public Safety purchased with ARPA funds
- Monitoring the City Kennel especially regarding the purchasing of critical vaccines, supplies and equipment
- Touring and seeking updates of the new Police Headquarters
- Continue to push for and assess the process for a more aggressive comprehensive Marketing and Recruitment plan and why this has not happened yet

Transportation & Mobility

Chair: Kerry McCormack

Vice Chair: Charles J. Slife

- Airport Terminal Modernization Plan
- Citywide traffic calming

Utilities

Chair: Brian Kazy

Vice Chair: Jenny Spencer

- Continue to boost cybersecurity defenses and foster a culture of security awareness
- Continue to maintain and reinvest in our infrastructure to provide quality service 24/7/365
- Continue to prioritize innovation and implement new strategies to better serve our customers
- Continue to reassure our customers that they are our number one priority by educating them about affordability and discount programs
- Continue to create a talent hub of skilled workers in our communities through educational programs
- Continue to reach and exceed all federal and industry standards
- Continue to provide reliable and affordable quality service to our customers
- Continue to identify professional development opportunities for employees and promote a culture of diversity, equity, and inclusion
- Continue to work with Digital C to assure that every resident within the City of Cleveland will have access to affordable internet.
- Review potential extension of utility amnesty

Workforce, Education, Training & Youth Development

Chair: Jasmin Santana

Vice Chair: Stephanie D. Howse-Jones

- Supporting and reviewing equal pay
- Paid Leave
- More summer employment opportunities for youth and young adults