

Pam Hykes O'Grady
Deputy Director, Columbus Department of Technology

Pam currently serves as Deputy Director for Mayor Ginther and the Columbus Department of Technology. Pam's role includes acting as chief of staff to the department and managing staff from the fiscal, human resources, governance, project management and account management divisions. Pam previously served as the Senior Advisor to Columbus Mayor Andrew J. Ginther, and was the staff liaison to the Department of Public Service, Department of Neighborhoods, Human Resources and Civil Service Commission. In 2016, she was responsible for the implementation and creation of the newest cabinet level position, a key priority for Mayor Ginther, the Department of Neighborhoods. Pam previously served as the Assistant Director in the Department of Public Utilities and was responsible for communications, policy and rule review. Prior to that, Pam served as Director of Government Affairs for Mayor Michael B. Coleman and acted as liaison to the City Council, statehouse and federal government. She served as an advisor to the Mayor and developed strategic initiatives and implemented policy decisions spanning a broad spectrum of issues, including public service and safety. Prior to working for the City, Pam was the Finance Director for the Ohio Senate Democratic Caucus, and she began her career in the office of the Ohio State Treasurer. Pam graduated from Transylvania University in Lexington, Kentucky with a degree in Psychology. She served on the Board of Directors of the Greater Columbus Arts Council, is a currently a board member of the Columbus Zoo and Aquarium, the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission and the Ohio Cancer Research Associates. With more than 25 years of government experience, Pam has a passion for public service and is committed to making government work for all of the city's residents. She is a proud product of Columbus City Schools and currently resides in Norwich Township with her husband John and children Liz, Jack, Patrick and Erin.