

Code Change Fact Sheet

This fact sheet must be attached to any ordinance in Legistar that is proposing to amend Columbus City Codes. It should also be circulated among Councilmember offices prior to submitting an ordinance in Legistar.

It is also a standard practice that Council will not consider any code changes that have not been previously reviewed and approved by the City Attorney's office. Drafters should ensure that the City Attorney's office has approved a final version of a proposed code change prior to circulating this fact sheet to Councilmember offices

Department Requesting Code Change:

Drafter:

Ordinance Number:

Email and Phone:

Columbus City Code Title Being Amended/Created/Repealed:

What is the overall purpose of this code change? *Summarize the general themes of the code change(s) and the need for these changes. Please utilize language and descriptors that would be easily understandable by the general public.*

Why is this code change needed? *Examples: Correcting a drafting error; bringing code into alignment with changes to state law. For other policy changes, it may be necessary to provide a much more in-depth rationale in the section.*

What would be the impact of not adopting this code change?

Are there any operating or capital budget cost/savings implications for this code change? *These may be direct or in-direct, and please also consider long-term impact.*



Describe the community engagement process regarding this code change. What residents, impacted parties, and constituents may be affected? Have they been engaged, and how so? How was their feedback incorporated (or not incorporated) into this code change?

Will this code change take effect with the ordinance, or is there a delayed effective date?

Additional Information:

Key Improvements

1. Clear Role

- a. Confirms the committee's support relationship to the Department of Technology
- b. Eliminates ambiguity around decision-making authority

2. Structure

- a. Clarifies:
 - i. Membership roles and voting rights
 - ii. Chairperson responsibilities
 - iii. Quorum and meeting requirements

3. Operational Flexibility

- a. Authorizes the committee to adopt:
 - i. Policies and procedures regarding its conduct
- b. Enables the committee to function effectively without repeated code changes

4. Procurement Alignment

- a. Aligns committee advisory role with Chapter 329 procurement requirements
- b. Supports:
 - i. Consistent acquisition practices
 - ii. Cybersecurity-aware procurement processes

5. Technical Corrections

- a. Fixes inconsistent wording
- b. Improves readability and legal clarity

