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Mayor Andrew J. Ginther

City of Columbus

90 W. Broad Street

Columbus, Ohio 43215

RE: Downtown Commission, reappointment

Dear Mayor Ginther,

I have had the pleasure of serving on the Downtown Commission since its founding in 1998. I have served as chairman since 2009. During those years we have seen and enjoyed a tremendous boom in development in the downtown area. As you are well aware, it is possible that the best days for our city are yet before us.

I think the commission has tried diligently at every step to carry out its role in the process. I would also say that our community has been blessed with good leadership in city government. As my current term comes to an end I would be happy to serve another term. Many things point to a continuing upward direction for the City of Columbus and I would enjoy continuing to play a role that process.

Thank you for your consideration,



Stephen S. Wittmann

RESUME

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Education

BBA, University of Michigan, 1971

Professional

Columbus Board of Realtors

Member Since 1971; Governmental Affairs Committee, 1975-c.1990, Chairman of Governmental Affairs Committee & Housing Code Subcommittee, 1980; Strategic Long-Range Planning Committee, 1989; Teacher, CBR Commercial Leasing Course, 1987 and 1988;

Trustee, 1990-1992; Assistant Secretary-Treasurer, 1991; Secretary- Treasurer, 1992; Vice President, 1993; President Elect, 1994; President, 1995

Trustee, Chairman of the Columbus Board of Realtors Foundation Committee, 1996

Ohio Association of Realtors

Trustee of Ohio Association of Realtors, 1981-1982; Political Affairs Committee, 1981-1982; Trustee, member of Legislative Steering Committee, 1991-1992;

Trustee, 1991-1996; Executive Committee, 1996

Institute of Real Estate Management, Chapter 42

Governmental Affairs Committee, Columbus Chapter, 1984-1985; Vice President-Membership Services, 1984-1985; Treasurer, 1986; Vice President, 1987

President, Chapter 42, 1988

Developer / Real Estate Investor, 1985 –

The Wittmann Company – Developer and investor with emphasis on adaptive reuse
Projects include:

1000 Kinnear Road, OSU Research Park

Ballet Met Facility, 322 Mt. Vernon Avenue

Chestnut Square, includes downtown Red Roof Inn

1159, 1165, 1169 Dublin Road facilities for Levi Strauss & Company, Mt. Carmel

Hospital and State Employees Credit Union

Grandview Corporate Center, 1156 –1166 Dublin Road, site of former Dennison-
Abex

Belmont Block; includes Belmont Casket facility and
adjacent properties abutting the Arena District

Awards

Institute of Real Estate Management, Chapter 42 – Certified Property Manager of the

Year, 1990
Columbus Board of Realtors, Realtor Broker of the Year, 2001

Community Activities

Task Force on Public-Private Housing Initiatives, City of Columbus, 1996-1997
Downtown Office Task Force & Downtown Columbus Strategic Plan Committee,
City of Columbus, 1988
Mayor's Task Force on Downtown Zoning, City of Columbus, 1996-1997
Task Force on Parking Incentives, City of Columbus, 1996
Downtown Commission, City of Columbus, Commissioner, 1998 -,
Chairman, 2009-
Columbus Housing Partnership, Board of Trustees, 1997, Vice President, 2001,
President, 2002-2004
Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission, Downtown Mobility Work Group,
Jefferson Township Land Conservation Association
Trustee, President, 1999-
Franklin County Affordable Housing Trust, Trustee, 2018-

Civic, Social & Charitable Activities

Junior Council, Columbus Museum of Art, Board Member & President
Athletic Club of Columbus
Long-Range Planning Committee, 1989-1991
Board of Directors, 1995-1998
President, 2000
Zion Lutheran Church
Past member church council, various positions
Board of Control
Central Ohio Missions Association, 1990
Ballet Metropolitan
Board of Trustees, 1990- 1997
Executive Committee, 1992, 1996-1997
Ohio State University
Committee for Columbus, OSU Campaign, 1989-1990
Jefferson Township Land Conservation Association
Trustee, President, 1999-
Columbus Museum of Art, Trustee, 2018- , Committee on Collections, 2018-,
Chairman, 2019-, Vice President, 2020-