

The City of Columbus is in the process of updating its information on the «Organization» to reflect its most recent election. Please complete the following information to the best of your ability. **Updated database information will be forwarded to the Mayor’s Office to ensure the appointment/reappointment of elected and re-elected members and will ensure timely and accurate distribution of funding opportunities, meeting notices, training opportunities, and other City activities. After completing this form, please return to Neighborhood Database Coordinator, City of Columbus, 50 W. Gay St., 2nd Floor, Columbus, OH, 43215.** Please contact your Neighborhood Liaison with any questions or comments.

FIELD	CURRENT INFORMATION	NEW INFORMATION
Step # 4 Legistar University Area Commission- Lauren Squires	Appointment of Lauren Squires, 474 Wyandotte Avenue Columbus Ohio 43202 to serve on the University Area Commission with a term expiration date of January 15, 2020.	(1) Please print new information clearly, OR (2) Place a “check” in these boxes if member is re-elected and information is unchanged (3) Do not forget to update “Term Expiration” for re-elected members
First Name		Lauren
Last Name		Squires
Title		Area Commission
Address		474 Wyandotte Avenue
City		Columbus
State		Ohio
Zip Code		43202
Home Telephone		734-355-0909
Work Telephone		
Fax Number		N/A
Email Address		Lauren.squires@gmail.com
District/Designation		1
Term Start Date		1/18/17
Term Expiration		1/15/20
Seat Succession		Commissioner Squires replaces Rachel Beeman

University Area Commission - Candidate's Biographical Sketch

This information will be made available on the UAC website (<http://www.universityarea.org/>) and at the polling places on Election Day. You may use the back of this form and/or attach a separate sheet.

Candidate Name: (Please Print)

Address:

Lauren Squires

474 Wyandotte Ave., Columbus, OH 43202

District: 1

Length of time living in the University Area: 2012-present

Number of Years as a Resident or years involved with the neighborhood: 4.25

Occupation: Professor

Commissioner Statement – Please state in 200 words or less, what particular experience and qualifications you can offer the University Area Commission. Please write information about your issues, concerns, goals for neighborhood, personal information, etc. This section will be limited to 200 words.

I am a University District/Old North resident/homeowner, professor at Ohio State, parent, local business investor, and performing artist. I have lived in the "SoHud" portion of UAC District 1 since moving to Columbus in 2012—first as a renter, then as a homeowner. As an OSU professor, I want the University to continue to grow, but to do so smartly, and in a way that benefits our communities without displacing them. As a homeowner, I want to see all of our residents—OSU employees, students, and non-affiliates alike—co-exist in a thriving, lively, affordable, and safe neighborhood. As a parent, I care about the environment and public education, and issues in our community such as childcare options, parks and playgrounds, and of course schools. As a small business investor and small arts organization founder, I want to see advocacy from the neighborhoods up to City Council that supports the independent individuals and groups making important contributions to Columbus's growth. And, as someone committed to social justice, I want our neighborhoods to be safe for every resident, for us to work together to ensure that public safety comes about through community-based solutions. I would bring a strong set of skills to the UAC: considerable experience through my academic and arts work, my time as a labor union activist, and other professional activities. I enjoy the challenge of collaborative decision-making, making sure that all interests are heard and that decisions maximize the benefits for as many as possible.

UAC Committees/Positions –If a current or past commissioner, please list the committees that you serve on and any positions you hold or have held in the past with UAC.

n/a

Community Involvement/Education/Occupation – Provide a list of community activities, positions in other groups, educational background, etc.

2006-2011: Union Steward, Grievance Committee Chair, Bargaining Team member, Graduate Employees' Organization, University of Michigan; 2011: obtained PhD from University of Michigan; 2011-2012: Assistant Professor, University of Michigan; 2012-present: Assistant Professor, The Ohio State University; 2013-present: founder and director, Movement Afoot tap dance company

I authorize the University Area Commission to post this biographical sketch on their website, located at <http://www.universityarea.org/>.

Candidate Signature

