Resolution No. 0533-24

June 18, 2024

Resolution expanding the Columbus & Franklin County Local Food Board to oversee, prioritize, and guide implementation of the Columbus & Franklin County Local Food Action Plan. (Commissioners)

WHEREAS, the Franklin County Board of Commissioners approved Resolution No. 0799-16 on November 22, 2016, adopting the Columbus & Franklin County Local Food Action Plan, accepting its recommendations as a framework for policy and program development in the area of local food systems, and re-affirming the Commissioners' commitment to working with public, private, and community stakeholders to ensure a stronger, more resilient local food system, and directed the Franklin County Commissioners to establish a governance structure for the Plan's implementation; and

WHEREAS, the City of Columbus approved Resolution No. 0275X-2016 on November 21, 2016, adopting the Columbus & Franklin County Local Food Action Plan and accepting its recommendations as a framework for policy and program development in the area of local food systems and re-affirming the City of Columbus' commitment to working with public, private and community stakeholders to ensure a stronger, more resilient local food system and that the City of Columbus will work with the Franklin County Commissioners to establish a governance structure to guide implementation of the Local Food Action Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Franklin County Board of Commissioners approved Resolution No. 0800-16 on November 22, 2016, establishing the Columbus & Franklin County Local Food Board (Local Food Board) to oversee, prioritize, and guide the implementation of the Columbus & Franklin County Local Food Action Plan; and

WHEREAS, the City, County, and the Local Food Board wish to expand the Local Food Board to include critical community voices and perspectives and ensure a committed focus on racial and health equity in all of the Local Food Board's decision-making processes and Local Food Action Plan implementation work; and

WHEREAS, diversity, equity, and inclusion continues to be a priority for both the County and City; and

WHEREAS, the Local Food Board may consider recommendations from the Franklin County Local Food Council (Local Food Council) to fill the new Board positions; and

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WHEREAS, the Local Food Council brings expertise and knowledge in areas that will benefit the Local Food Board, County and City now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO:

- 1. The Columbus & Franklin County Local Food Board membership is hereby expanded by three (3) seats for a total of fifteen (15) seats to oversee, prioritize and guide activities related to the Local Food Action Plan, including evaluating food system-related proposals involving the City, County, and other community partners.
- 2. The terms of the new seats shall be for three years on a staggered basis, and future terms for reappointment or appointment shall be for three years on a staggered basis.
- 3. The Local Food Board expansion and terms are contingent upon approval by Columbus.
- 4. The Local Food Board shall be expanded to include three (3) additional members appointed by the Local Food Board and confirmed by the City of Columbus and the Franklin County Board of Commissioners.
- 5. The new additional members shall be voting members with expertise in varying sectors of the local food system, including but not limited to human services, public health, economic development, community planning, and racial and health equity.
- 6. This resolution updates Resolution No. 0800-16, which established the Columbus & Franklin County Local Food Board.
- 7. The Local Food Board shall not adopt any bylaws or any other binding actions that conflict with Resolution No. 0800-16 and this Resolution.
- 8. This resolution will go into effect on the date that both the City of Columbus and Board of Commissioners approved the expansion of the Local Food Board.

SIGNATURE SHEET FOLLOWS

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(COMM - Board of Commissioners)

Upon the motion of Commissioner John O'Grady, seconded by Commissioner Kevin L. Boyce:

Voting:

Kevin L. Boyce, President John O'Grady Erica C. Crawley

Aye Aye Absent

Board of County Commissioners Franklin County, Ohio

CERTIFICATE OF CLERK

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of a resolution acted upon by the Board of County Commissioners, Franklin County, Ohio on the date noted above.

Brittany Razek, Clerk Board of County Commissioners Franklin County, Ohio