



Legislation Text

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This Ordinance enacts new City Code to establish the Greater Columbus Creative Cultural Commission as a 19-member group of arts, community, and business leaders to bring organization and voice to the city's major cultural and artistic "anchor" institutions, with a focus on policy and strategy in both the short term and extended time frame. Among its desired outcomes is the promotion of culture and arts to form a significant differentiator for Columbus to contribute to the city's overall economic development.

This action is a natural next step in City Council's formation in 2006 of a Creative Columbus Policy Steering Committee, whose research and report on the way the community funds arts highlighted the need to better leverage public and private sector money to maximize the City's investment into cultural arts activities. The formation of this Commission was among the 70 recommendations offered by the Steering Committee.

FISCAL IMPACT: No fiscal impact.

To amend Title 31 of the Columbus City Codes, 1959, by enacting new Chapter 3114 of the Columbus City Codes, entitled "Greater Columbus Creative Cultural Commission," to establish an entity known as the Greater Columbus Creative Cultural Commission, and to declare an emergency.

WHEREAS, in 2006 the City Council established a Creative Columbus Policy Steering Committee, whose research and report on the way the community funds cultural and arts activities highlighted the need to better leverage public and private sector money to maximize the City's investment into cultural arts activities; and

WHEREAS, the establishment of the Greater Columbus Creative Cultural Commission is the next step in enhancing cultural and arts investment; and

WHEREAS, City Council will charge the commission with developing a Cultural Business Plan for the greater Columbus community that will strategically position the region to capitalize on the emerging collaboration between the city's cultural and business community leaders, and to ensure the implementation of growth strategies that drive a sustainable/successful cultural economy; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the City, in that it is immediately necessary to establish this commission so that the appointment process and organization of the commission can begin without delay, and for the immediate preservation of the public health, peace, property, safety and welfare; now, therefore:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:

SECTION 1. That Columbus City Codes Chapter 3114, entitled "Greater Columbus Creative Cultural Commission," be and hereby is enacted as follows:

3114.01 Establishment.

There is hereby created and established an entity known as the Greater Columbus Creative Cultural Commission, whose nineteen (19) members shall be appointed by council for such terms as determined by council and shall serve without compensation. The commission will include representatives and stakeholders from the arts & cultural community, business, government and regional municipalities. The purpose of the commission is to develop a Cultural Business Plan for the greater Columbus community that will strategically position the region to move successfully into the future to capitalize on the emerging collaboration between the city's

cultural and business community leaders and ensure the implementation of growth strategies that drive a sustainable/successful cultural economy.

3114.02 Organization of the Commission.

The commission shall meet and organize by electing a chair and a vice chair. The commission shall adopt by-laws or rules of procedure to govern the conduct of its business which shall include provisions for regular or special meetings, voting procedures, amendment of its by-laws or rules, minutes of meetings, or any other procedural matters the commission deems necessary to regulate for the conduct of its business. Such rules shall be adopted in accordance with Roberts Rules of Order.

3114.03 Functions and duties of the Commission.

The commission shall:

- a) Develop a Cultural Business Plan for the greater Columbus community that will strategically position the region to move successfully into the future by ensuring the sustainability of the Columbus cultural community over the next decade;
- b) Demonstrate how to position Columbus as contemporary and exciting, a city where people of all ages want to live and work;
- c) Redefine the creative economy in terms that are specific to Columbus;
- d) Address the issue of young people coming to school and moving away;
- e) Bring together profit and non-profit sectors to work toward common goals in measurable ways.

SECTION 2. That for reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part hereof, this ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure and shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval by the Mayor or ten (10) days after passage if the Mayor neither approves or vetoes the same.