



# City of Columbus

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## Legislation Text

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**BACKGROUND:** The East Franklinton Creative Community District Plan is an amendment to the 2003 Franklinton Plan and applicable to the East Franklinton neighborhood, which is bounded by SR 315 on the west, I-70 and the Scioto River on the south, and the dual set of railroad tracks to the east and the north (which match the boundary of the Downtown District). This plan was initiated at the request of the Mayor's Office. A working group was established with representatives from city departments, Columbus Metropolitan Housing Authority, Franklinton Development Association, and Urban Smart Growth, a developer. A national consulting team led by Goody Clancy of Boston was officially contracted in August, 2011, to work with the city. A significant number of public meetings and workshops were held during the process. Briefings were also held with the Franklinton Area Commission, Franklinton Board of Trade, and numerous stakeholders. A complete draft of the plan was released in July, 2012, for public comment. A revised document was forwarded to the Franklinton Area Commission for their review. On September 11, 2012, the Franklinton Area Commission unanimously approved the plan with modifications which were agreed to by city staff. The Columbus Development Commission reviewed the plan on September 13, 2012, and unanimously voted to recommend its adoption to City Council.

**DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION:** Approval.

**CITY DEPARTMENTS RECOMMENDATION:** Approval.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** No funding is required for this legislation.

To adopt the East Franklinton Creative Community District Plan as an update to the 2003 Franklinton Plan, providing guidelines for development, redevelopment, and the planning of future public improvements.

**WHEREAS,** the East Franklinton Creative Community District Plan is intended to serve as an update to the 2003 Franklinton Area Plan, providing guidelines for development, redevelopment, and the planning of future public improvements; and

**WHEREAS,** a working group representing stakeholders worked with a consultant team led by Goody Clancy of Boston; and

**WHEREAS,** a number of implementation activities requiring ongoing engagement by the city and area stakeholders are identified in the plan; and

**WHEREAS,** committee meetings, presentations, open houses, and public presentations were conducted as part of the public planning process; and

**WHEREAS,** the Franklinton Area Commission has endorsed the Plan and recommended adoption by City Council; and

**WHEREAS,** after public notice a public hearing was held on September 13, 2012, at which the Development Commission approved the East Franklinton Creative Community District Plan and recommended its adoption to City Council; **now, therefore,**

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

**Section 1.** That the East Franklinton Creative Community District is hereby adopted as an update to the 2003 Franklinton Area plan, providing guidelines for development, redevelopment, and the planning of future public improvements.

**Section 2.** That all city of Columbus departments and divisions are hereby authorized and directed to use the East Franklinton Creative Community District Plan in initiating or reviewing projects within the planning area or adjacent areas and require that such projects generally conform to the plan.

**Section 3.** That the Department of Development is directed to monitor the use of the East Franklinton Creative Community District Plan, and to present to City Council any amendments necessary to keep the plan up-to-date.

**Section 4.** That copies of the East Franklinton Creative Community District Plan shall be kept on file in the Department of Development, Planning Division.

**Section 5.** That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.