

# City of Columbus

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## **Legislation Text**

File #: 2148-2013, Version: 1

BACKGROUND: The Olentangy West Area Plan is intended to serve as a guide for development and redevelopment in an area generally bounded by the city of Upper Arlington on the west, Henderson Road on the north, the Olentangy River on the east and Kinnear Road and Chambers Road on the south. The area covers approximately 5 square miles. The process used to develop the plan included data gathering and analysis, consideration of alternative concepts, community outreach, and plan preparation. Four public meetings were held over the course of the planning process: an issues and opportunities workshop, a visioning workshop, a plan text workshop, and finally, an open house to review a draft of the plan. This plan supersedes and replaces the 2003 Olentangy River Road Urban Design Plan which covered a portion of the planning area along the Olentangy River Road corridor. The Northwest Civic Association, Knolls Garden Club, and the Kenwood Area Residents Association, all have expressed support for the plan, recommending its adoption. Development Commission reviewed the plan on August 8, 2013 and unanimously voted to recommend adoption by City Council.

### **DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION:** Approval.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** None. No funding is required for this ordinance.

To adopt the Olentangy West Area Plan as a guide for development, redevelopment, and planning of future public improvements.

WHEREAS, the Olentangy West Area Plan is intended to act as a guide for development, redevelopment, and planning of future public improvements; and

WHEREAS, presentations, public workshops, and an open house were conducted as part of the public planning process; and

WHEREAS, the recommendations of the Olentangy West Area Plan address zoning and land use issues, urban design, and other community priorities; and

WHEREAS, the Northwest Civic Association, Knolls Garden Club, and the Kenwood Area Residents Association endorsed the Olentangy West Area Plan and recommended its adoption by City Council; and

WHEREAS, after public notice, a public hearing was held on August 8, 2013 at which the Development Commission approved the Olentangy West Area 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 Olentangy West Area Plan is hereby adopted to serve as a guide for development, redevelopment, and planning of future public improvements.

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**Section 2.** That the Olentangy West Area plan supersedes and replaces the 2003 Olentangy River Road Urban Design Plan.

**Section 3.** That all city of Columbus departments and divisions are hereby authorized and directed to use the Olentangy West Area Plan in initiating or reviewing projects within the planning area or adjacent areas and to require that such projects generally conform to the plan.

**Section 4.** That the Department of Development is directed to monitor the use of the Olentangy West Area Plan, and to present to City Council any amendments necessary to keep the plan up-to-date.

**Section 5.** That copies of the Olentangy West Area Plan shall be kept on file in the Department of Development, Planning Division.

**Section 6.** That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.