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To: Residents of Gahanna;

Members of Council; Mayor Jadwin; City Attorney Ray Mularski

CC: Council Clerk Krystal Gonchar From: Councilmember Merisa Bowers

Re: Constituent Update - November Report

Date: 12/06/2021

General Update - Events and Actions of November 2021:

- Meeting with Nichole Marshall, Vice President and Chief DE&I Officer of L Brands, along with constituent Jamille Jones to discuss follow up from MORPC Summit on Sustainability Presentation.
- Attended November 9th Economic Development Department presentation with MORPC Director Kerstin Carr, Justin Bickle from One Columbus, and Gahanna Economic Development Director Nathan Strum.
- Attended Tri-Community Post 4719 and Gahanna Veterans Memorial Committee
 Veteran's Day event at Veterans Memorial Park.



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- Meeting with Franklin County Commissioner Boyce postponed to December regarding housing policy and program development.
- Promoted **Board and Commission openings** to solicit applications for new members.

Constituent Hours

Tuesday, December 7, 2021 at 8:30 am at Cafe Creekside

Councilmember Stephen Renner and I will be available at Cafe Creekside for a cup of coffee and a conversation. Come with questions about the proposed budget or on other topics!

You may sign up for periodic email updates from Merisa Bowers here: https://forms.gle/PMTu8eH5Fy4bN4Si8

Constituent Issues/Concerns:

#1 Source of Income Nondiscrimination

Received follow up/touch-base email from constituent/advocate for Source of Income protection legislation.

#2 Police Presence in Rathburn Woods/Gahanna Woods Vicinity Received texts/messages from neighbors regarding police helicopter and vehicle presence. Followed up with neighbors directly regarding non-violent, youth-related incident.

#3 Kason's Way speeding Followed up with constituent regarding speeding in Kason's Way vicinity.

#4 Temporary Signage Received email from constituent inquiring as to simplification/clarification of temporary signage.

#5 Rathburn Woods Park Service Request Communicated service request to department.

#6 Unsolicited Written Materials

Received email from constituent regarding continued distribution of "The Bag" thrown into driveways. City Attorney sent follow up and confirmed notice to The Dispatch Media Group regarding new legislation.

#7 Proposed Charter Amendment Ballot Language

Received email and phone call contact from constituents regarding ballot language for proposed charter changes. Constituents unhappy that ballot language did not accurately reflect proposed charter amendments. After discussion, it was determined that the language was written by staff of the Franklin County Board of Elections.

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Finally, an issue was raised on November 8 regarding my PPP Loan Applications. My full statement regarding that issue can be read <u>here</u>.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Merisa K. Bowers Merisa K. Bowers Gahanna City Councilmember, At Large 12/6/2021

