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To: Residents of Gahanna; Members of Council; Mayor Jadwin; City Attorney Priya Tamilarasan  
CC: Clerk of Council Jeremy VanMeter  
From: Council President Merisa Bowers  
Re: **Constituent Update - July 2024 Report**  
Date: August 30, 2024

## **General Update - Events and Actions of July 2024:**

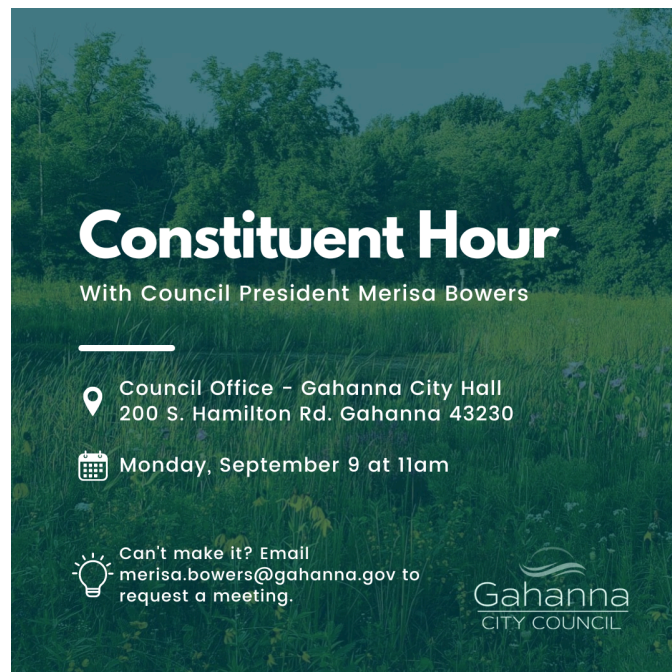
- Continued to advance [municipal aggregation](#) and **sustainability initiatives**.
- Developed agenda, prepared for and attended meeting with Mayor, City Attorney, and senior leaders on July 15.
- Promoted openings for Council appointments and interviewed candidates for the [Public Arts Advisory Council](#).
- Continued to research and collect information in collaboration with Council office staff on **short term rental economics and policy**.
- Gardened at the [Ohio Herb Center](#) and celebrated Pioneer Day at the [Gahanna Historical Society](#) on July 13.
- Drafted [Share the Road Month Resolution](#) for August.
- Joined [Gahanna Moms Network](#) members to present a check for funds raised at the 2024 Creekside Blues and Jazz Festival to [GRIN](#) on July 19.



*Enjoying farm animals at Pioneer Day!*

## **Constituent Hours**

Monday, September 9, 2024 at 11am - 12pm at Gahanna City Hall, Council Office, 200 S. Hamilton Road.



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## Join me at the following upcoming community events!

- **September 7:**
  - **Gahanna Historical Society Ohio Fiddle Champion Performance**
  - **Gahanna Parks and Rec Foundation [Hops and Vine Festival](#) at Creekside**
- **September 8: 6th Annual [Kyle Miller First Day 5k](#) at Creekside**
- **September 29: [Mill Street Market](#) presented by the Gahanna Historical Society**

To schedule a meeting, coffee, or call, please email [merisa.bowers@gahanna.gov](mailto:merisa.bowers@gahanna.gov) or call 614-342-0040.

\*\*\*NOTE that Councilwoman Bowers is utilizing a new email communication system. This new email system aligns with the City's new CivicEngage platform. **You can join various Gahanna CivicEngage newsletter lists by creating a ["Notify Me" Sign In](#) account and selecting the desired newsletter lists.**

## **Constituent Issues/Concerns:**

1. Gahanna city flag  
Follow up communication regarding city flag.
2. Arts Council, Funding, and Public Art  
Email from Gahanna Area Arts Council regarding involvement of the Council with the City; invitation to GAAC to present at Committee of the Whole meeting for on-going conversation.
3. Street Trees  
Received correspondence from residents regarding street trees; responded with information and invitation to attend future meetings.
4. 100% Renewable Energy and Sustainability Efforts  
Received emails from residents in support of aggregation sourced with 100% renewable energy.
5. Expansion of OneChurch  
Request for meeting with City staff and Council members with Condo association members regarding OneChurch expansion requests. Addressed by other councilmembers and staff at this time.

Respectfully submitted,  
/s/ Merisa K. Bowers  
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