

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS & SAFETY
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
APRIL 21, 2026

The Board of Public Works & Safety met in regular session on Tuesday, April 21, 2026, at 10:01 a.m.

Mayor Mary Ferdon presided, in person, with the following members absent or present:

Present in person: Melanie Henderson, John Pickett, and Eric Frey

Absent: Brenda Sullivan

Luann Welmer, City Clerk, requested the Board's approval of the April 14, 2026, meeting minutes. Melanie Henderson made a motion to approve the request. John Pickett seconded the motion. Motion passed by a vote of four (4) in favor and zero (0) opposed.

Bryan Burton, Director of Public Works, requested the Board's approval to **purchase a Challenger 50K 4 Post Lift from NAPA Auto Parts in the amount of \$98,111.00**. John Pickett made a motion to approve the request. Melanie Henderson seconded the motion. Motion passed by a unanimous vote.

Jody Coffman, Community Development Specialist, requested the Board's approval of a **Designated Outdoor Refreshment Area (DORA) Temporary Vendor Permit for Sunny Daze Mobile Bar for the Parks Foundation Yoga and Mimosas event on April 25, 2026**. John Pickett made a motion to approve the request. Melanie Henderson seconded the motion. Motion passed by a unanimous vote.

Jody Coffman requested the Board's approval of a **Designated Outdoor Refreshment Area (DORA) Temporary Vendor Permit for Elev8 Events, LLC for the Columbus Area Arts Council Arts Alley Event and 411 Exhibition Reception on May 7, 2026**. John Pickett made a motion to approve the request. Melanie Henderson seconded the motion. Motion passed by a unanimous vote.

Mayor Mary Ferdon requested the Board's approval of a **three-year Contract for Professional Economic Development Services between the City of Columbus and the Greater Columbus Economic Development Corporation for a three (3) year contract in the amount of \$110,000.00 for the first year**. John Pickett made a motion to approve the request. Melanie Henderson seconded the motion. Motion passed by a unanimous vote.

Jim Hartsook, Director of Information Technology, requested the Board's acceptance of a quote with **Pellera for KnowBe4 Prevent and Protect in the amount of \$18,852.43 per year for three (3) years**. Melanie Henderson made a motion to approve the request. John Pickett seconded the motion. Motion passed by a unanimous vote.

Aimee Morris, Engineering Technician, requested the Board's approval of a **community event application for the Columbus Running Club 46th Annual Elementary Fitness Fun Run on May 2, 2026**. John Pickett made a motion to approve the request. Melanie Henderson seconded the motion. Motion passed by a unanimous vote.

Aimee Morris requested the Board's approval of **Special Uses of Right-of-Ways** as presented. John Pickett made a motion to approve the request. Melanie Henderson seconded the motion. Motion passed by a unanimous vote.

Andrew Beckort, City Engineer, requested the Board's approval of an **order form from OpenGov for professional and software services for a four (4) year agreement in the amount of \$29,622.32 for 2026**. John Pickett made a motion to approve the request. Melanie Henderson seconded the motion. Motion passed by a unanimous vote.

Andrew Beckort requested the Board's approval of a **contract with Howard Companies for #26-01 2026 Crack Seal & Mastic Joint Repairs Project in the amount of \$397,929.00**.

John Pickett made a motion to approve the request. Melanie Henderson seconded the motion. Motion passed by a unanimous vote.

Andrew Beckort requested the Board's approval to **award #26-05 2026 Asphalt Overlay to All Star Paving, Inc. in the amount of \$2,520,781.55**. John Pickett made a motion to approve the request. Melanie Henderson seconded the motion. Motion passed by a unanimous vote.

Andrew Beckort requested the Board's approval to **open bids for DPW #26-01 Salt**. Three (3) bids were received:

Compass Minerals America Inc.	\$0.00
Cargill, Inc. – Salt Road and Safety	\$427,920.00
Morton Salt, Inc.	\$427,960.00

Andrew requested that the bids be taken under advisement. John Pickett made a motion to approve the request. Melanie Henderson seconded the motion. Motion passed by a unanimous vote.

Andrew Beckort requested the Board's approval to **open bids for DPW #26-02 Aggregates**. Zero (0) bids were received. No further action was taken.

Eric Frey, Executive Director of Administration, requested the Board's approval of **two (2) dockets of claims**. John Pickett made a motion to approve the request. Melanie Henderson seconded the motion. Motion passed by a unanimous vote.

John Pickett made a motion for adjournment. Melanie Henderson seconded the motion. Motion passed by a unanimous vote. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:21 a.m.

Presiding Officer

Member
Brenda Sullivan

Member
John Pickett

Member
Melanie Henderson

Member

Attest: *Luann Welmer*

Luann Welmer, City Clerk