

Salem Civic Association
General Meeting Agenda
July 22, 2025

- 1) Pledge of Allegiance
- 2) Secretary Report
- 3) CPD Liaison Officer
- 4) Treasurer Report
- 5) Northland Community Council – Pat Hammel (see attached)
- 6) Safety Committee
- 7) Northland Community Council Development Committee
- 8) Communication Committee - Heather Odenweller
- 9) Membership Committee – Renee Sammet
- 10) Hospitality Committee – Charlene Combs
- 11) Guest - 614 Exteriors
- 12) New Business

NCC Report July 2025

- Next 161 Task Force Litter Clean Up is Saturday, August 9th. Meet at Jiffy Lube, 1800 E Dublin Granville Rd at 9am. Bags, high visibility vests, pickers are provided.
- The SR 161 Road Improvement Project (Maple Canyon to Busch Blvd) has completed Phase 1 construction with the installation of roundabouts on Maple Canyon and Karl, and the city's installation of the shared use path along the same route has also completed Phase 1. Phase 2 (heading west) has completed design and engineering and funding has been appropriated for construction to commence late 2025/early 2026 and continue through 2026. Phase 3, including proposed roundabout on North Meadows is in design, funding for engineering study will be included in ODOT annual funding request for 2026 and city funding request for 2026. Funding for construction for Phase 3 will be requested in 2027 budgets and if secured construction should commence late 2027/early 2028.

- The Columbus Crew has joined the Columbus Metropolitan Library’s free culture pass program. To check for ticket availability as well as passes for other events/venues such as the Columbus Zoo, Franklin Park Conservatory, Symphony and much more see: <https://www.columbuslibrary.org/culture-pass/>
- Columbus Recreation and Parks is updating the Tree Technical Manual, which serves as the rules and regulations for public trees. Public trees grow on city-owned property like in parks or along streets. These minor revisions improve definitions, clarify when to use tree tags versus Tree IDs, expand protection options and simplify mitigation guidance. To provide feedback see: <https://www.columbusufmp.org/tree-manual-review.html>
- The city has begun the next phase of Zone In, the revision of the zoning code, To see the proposed map for this phase, provide survey feedback and see when public workshops are being held see: <https://zone-in-columbus.hub.arcgis.com/>
- Report from the Quarterly Good Neighbor meeting with Community Shelter Board (CSB) and Homefull 6/26/25:
 - **1111 Mediterranean Ave.** All units currently occupied. The employment prep and assistance program being run by Bridge Ministry currently has 4 residents ready for long term employment. Annual city code inspection scheduled for 6/30.
 - **1289 E. Dublin-Granville Rd.** 70 unit single occupant capacity. 17 units currently occupied. Residents are being moved in in groups of 7-10, current residents are helping with site maintenance. As units are occupied, some additional renovations are being identified for future changes. Hope to have full occupancy by Fall 2025.
 - The 2nd year of using community sites for winter housing was very successful, with 26 people moved into permanent housing (compared to 5 in year 1) and 25 people entered into substance abuse programming. ABVI on Sinclair Rd. was the northside community site, with 40-50 rooms used during the winter overflow period.
 - The Community Assessment on Homelessness was completed last fall, and identified 2 primary causes of homelessness in Columbus – rising rents and lowering vacancy rates. Number of unsheltered people projected to rise 68% over the next 3 years if no additional interventions are implemented. Recommendations include building 375 permanent supported housing units and increase rapid re-housing numbers by 200%. While it is unclear at this time what the impact of federal funding cuts will be in implementing recommendations, the state Ohio Housing Trust Fund monies should remain in place, and CSB’s consolidated funding structure will help to leverage additional funds.
 - Last year the Mt. Carmel Outreach team actually got 2X as many people into the housing system than they were contracted to do by CSB.
 - The number to call if you see someone who is unhoused and in need of help is 614-512-2483. The Mt. Carmel Outreach Team will respond and assist the person to access services they need and desire, including immediate shelter.