

Salem Civic Association
General Meeting Agenda
September 23,, 2025

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

NCC Report September 2025

- Next 161 Task Force Litter Clean Up is Saturday, October 11th. Meet at Jiffy Lube, 1800 E Dublin Granville Rd at 9am. Bags, high visibility vests, pickers are provided.
- The city has begun the process of incorporating zoning code language regarding Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) into the zoning code in order to avoid the current need for multiple variance requests required before constructing an ADU. This is separate from the Zone In code revisions, and will apply to ALL categories of zoning that allow for single-family houses in the city. It is likely that the legislation will be approved in early November. The final public hearing will be held on October 29th. The second public hearing was held on September 10th and can be viewed here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GYN5L6PK8I> As of this hearing, the city has removed the proposed requirement for owner occupancy, and the proposed requirement for prohibition of short term rental. The requirement for separate water and sewer hookup if the current parcel/primary dwelling does not allow for tie-in to existing water and sewer infrastructure remains, as this is regulated by building code and not zoning code. To provide input on the ADU

proposed legislation you can take the survey here:

<https://us.openforms.com/Form/e980834a-c6e7-4ab7-9350-762244ec5378>

- Green Columbus still has free trees for planting in your yard. Pick up dates are 9/28, 10/5 and 10/12. Species available include Black Cherry, Red Oak, Sycamore, Tulip Poplar, Red Maple. To reserve a tree see: <https://www.greenbus.org/freetrees>
- SWACO has two events coming up for household hazardous waster collection: Saturday 9/27 from 8am-1pm in Grove City, 3226 Kingston Avenue (Kingston Center) and Saturday, 10/4 from 8am-2pm in Westerville, 350 Park Meadow Road (Public Service Department, Enter Park Meadow Road from Schrock Road). To review what items are accepted see: https://www.swaco.org/195/Household-Hazardous-Waste#msdynmkt_trackingcontext=a9240a8a-697d-43ec-9679-c13ca7580200
- The city has revised the Noxious Weed Code (709.03) to allow property owners to plant wildflower pollinator gardens in their front yards without violating the former plant height and type restrictions and thus will not be liable for code violations for these types of front gardens. Species planted must be native, cannot encroach on neighboring property, and cannot be any listed as a noxious weed. In a separate part of the city code, there is a visual distance safety requirement of 12 feet from curb to point in yard where the limitation on plant height remains.
- Vision Zero Columbus will include sections of both Cleveland Ave. and Morse Rd. for study in the next round of targeted enforcement to reduce traffic fatalities in the city. For more information see: <https://vision-zero-columbus.hub.arcgis.com/>

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