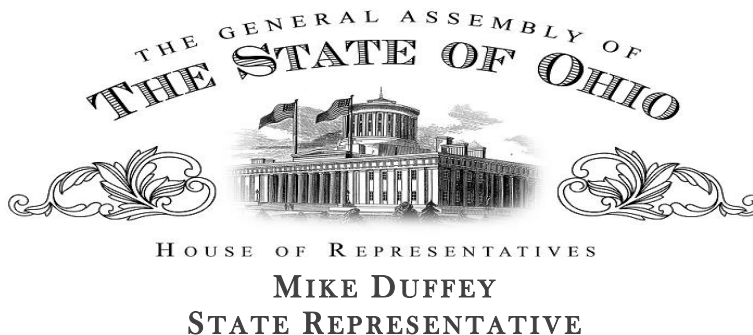


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Dear Attorney General DeWine:

Since the controversy that began in October of this year, after Columbus Crew SC owner Anthony Precourt reportedly was seriously considering moving the team to Austin, I volunteered to lend my name to efforts to "Save the Crew" as one community leader.

Every news article I have read thus far has indicated good faith negotiations have failed. The past several weeks, I have pieced together a series of facts that I believe raise some honest questions about state law (ORC 9.67) application to Crew SC ownership options.

Especially in Columbus, it is known that Crew SC sought state funding via the Ohio Expo Center for parking improvements that Mark McCullers described as "our facility" in 2009.

Real estate records seem to indicate the stadium enjoys a below fair market value for rent, exemption from property taxes and a revenue sharing agreement for the parking lots.

Would you please research this issue and consider taking legal action?

Thank you,

Mike Duffey
State Representative, 21st District