

# City of Philadelphia

*City Council  
Chief Clerk's Office  
402 City Hall  
Philadelphia, PA 19107*



## Meeting Minutes (Long)

**Thursday, November 13, 2025**

**10:00 AM**

**Room 400, City Hall**

**CITY COUNCIL**

## **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: 16 - Councilmembers Bass, Brooks, Driscoll, Gauthier, Gilmore Richardson, Harrity, Jones, Lozada, Phillips, Squilla, Thomas, Ahmad, Landau, O'Rourke, Young and Council President Johnson

EXCUSED: 1 - Councilmember O'Neill

## **INVOCATION**

Council met, a quorum being present.

BISHOP DR. MICHELLE SIMMONS, OF THE CHURCH DONE DIFFERENT WORLDWIDE, was introduced and offered an appropriate prayer.

## **APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL**

COUNCILMEMBER BASS MOVED TO APPROVE THE JOURNAL  
of Thursday October 30, 2025.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

## **LEAVES OF ABSENCE**

Councilmember Gilmore Richardson requested leave of absence for  
Councilmember O'Neill

THE REQUEST WAS GRANTED.

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

The Sergeant-at-Arms presented messages from the Mayor as follows:

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### **TO THE PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA:**

I am submitting herewith for the consideration of your Honorable Body the following  
proposed Ordinance:

### **AN ORDINANCE**

*Authorizing the Commissioner of Records and the Procurement Commissioner,*

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*on behalf of the City, to execute a multi-year concession agreement with Ancestry.com in connection with the digitizing, indexing, and public access and search of City of Philadelphia Department of Records vital records, all under provisions set forth in the concession agreement substantially as set forth in Exhibit A to this ordinance.*

I hereby recommend your favorable consideration of this proposed Ordinance.

Respectfully,  
Cherelle L. Parker  
Mayor (File No. 250972)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ AND FILED.

November 12, 2025

**TO THE PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA:**

I am submitting herewith for the consideration of your Honorable Body the following proposed Ordinance:

**AN ORDINANCE**

*Authorizing transfers in appropriations for Fiscal Year 2025 from: the General Fund, the Water Fund, the Water Residual Fund, the Grants Revenue Fund, the Aviation Fund , and the Transportation Fund, all from certain or all City offices, departments, boards and commissions; to: the General Fund, the Water Fund, the Water Residual Fund, the Aviation Fund and the Transportation Fund, all to certain or all City offices, departments, boards and commissions.*

I hereby recommend your favorable consideration of this proposed Ordinance.

Respectfully,  
Cherelle L. Parker  
Mayor (File No. 250973)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ AND FILED.

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**TO THE PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA:**

I am submitting herewith for the consideration of your Honorable Body the following proposed Ordinance:

**AN ORDINANCE**

*Authorizing and approving the execution and delivery of a Service Agreement between The City of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and The Philadelphia Energy Authority relating to the financing of the construction, equipping, installation and implementation of energy conservation improvements and other measures designed to reduce energy, water, wastewater, or other consumption or operating costs at specified properties owned or leased, and operated, by the City; approving the issuance by such Authority of bonds, notes or other evidences of indebtedness in one or more series to finance or refinance the costs of such project and authorizing and approving the obligation of the City to pay in full when due the Service Fee and other amounts payable under the Service Agreement; authorizing certain City officers to take certain actions required to issue such bonds, notes or other evidences of indebtedness; covenanting that the City will make necessary appropriations in each of the City's fiscal years to provide for, and will make timely payments of, the Service Fee and other amounts due under the Service Agreement; and authorizing City officials to take other necessary or appropriate actions to effectuate the purposes of this Ordinance; all under certain terms and conditions.*

I hereby recommend your favorable consideration of this proposed Ordinance.

Respectfully,  
Cherelle L. Parker  
Mayor (File No. 250974)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ AND FILED.

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**TO THE PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA:**

I am transmitting for the consideration of your Honorable Body a draft of a Resolution entitled:

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**RESOLUTION**

*Authorizing the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority to execute and deliver to the Philadelphia Land Bank a deed conveying title to 3830 Wallace Street, located in the 3rd Councilmanic District, pursuant to the requirements of the Commonwealth Land Bank Act.*

This Resolution has my approval and therefore I respectfully request that this Honorable Body give it your favorable consideration.

Respectfully,  
Cherelle L. Parker  
Mayor (File No. 250975)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ AND FILED.

November 12, 2025

**TO THE PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA:**

I am pleased to advise you that on November 12, 2025, I signed the following bill, which was passed by Council at its session on October 23, 2025:

Bill No. 250654

Respectfully,  
Cherelle L. Parker  
Mayor (File No. 250976)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ AND FILED.

November 12, 2025

**TO THE PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA:**

I am pleased to advise you that on November 12, 2025, I signed the following bills, which were passed by Council at its session on October 30, 2025:

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Bill No. 250572  
Bill No. 250577  
Bill No. 250722  
Bill No. 250800  
Bill No. 250802  
Bill No. 250803  
Bill No. 250808  
Bill No. 250810  
Bill No. 250811

Respectfully,  
Cherelle L. Parker  
Mayor (File No. 250977)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ AND FILED.

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**TO THE PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA:**

I am hereby returning unsigned Bill Number 250773, introduced by Councilmember Mark Squilla, and passed by City Council on October 30, 2025. I support the intent of this bill to reduce the utilization of single-use bags and, thus, further Philadelphia's commitment to environmental sustainability.

But I remain concerned with some of the unintended consequences this legislation could have for our local economy and low-income Philadelphians, especially our communities of color. Without protections for low-income residents, such as Philadelphians who use SNAP or WIC benefits to pay for groceries, seniors, and communities of color, this well-intended bill may unintentionally cause harm.

For these reasons, I am returning Bill Number 250773 unsigned.

Respectfully,  
Cherelle L. Parker  
Mayor (File No. 250978)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ AND FILED.

## INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Councilmember Phillips Introduced and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmember Phillips:

**Bill No. 250980:** An Ordinance Amending Chapter 9-3900 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Property Licenses and Owner Accountability,” by requiring non-resident landlords to provide verifiable contact information and a designated local contact and establishing penalties for non-compliance, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON LICENSES AND INSPECTIONS.

Attachments: [Bill No. 25098000](#)

Councilmember Gilmore Richardson Introduced and Referred the following Bill for Council President Johnson, Sponsored by Councilmember Gilmore Richardson:

**Bill No. 250981:** An Ordinance Authorizing and approving the execution and delivery of a Service Agreement between The City of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and The Philadelphia Energy Authority relating to the financing of the construction, equipping, installation and implementation of energy conservation improvements and other measures designed to reduce energy, water, wastewater, or other consumption or operating costs at specified properties owned or leased, and operated, by the City; approving the issuance by such Authority of bonds, notes or other evidences of indebtedness in one or more series to finance or refinance the costs of such project and authorizing and approving the obligation of the City to pay in full when due the Service Fee and other amounts payable under the Service Agreement; authorizing certain City officers to take certain actions required to issue such bonds, notes or other evidences of indebtedness; covenanting that the City will make necessary appropriations in each of the City’s fiscal years to provide for, and will make timely payments of, the Service Fee and other amounts due under the Service Agreement; and authorizing City officials to take other necessary or appropriate actions to effectuate the purposes of this Ordinance; all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Attachments: [Bill No. 25098100](#)

Councilmember Gauthier Introduced and Referred the following Bill for Council President Johnson, Sponsored by Councilmember Gauthier:

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**Bill No. 250982:** An Ordinance Regulating the direction of movement of traffic on certain portions of LeCount and Bambrey Streets, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON STREETS AND SERVICES.

**Attachments:** [Bill No. 25098200](#)

Councilmember Jones Introduced and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmember Jones:

**Bill No. 250983:** An Ordinance Amending Section 14-503 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “/NCA, Neighborhood Commercial Area Overlay District,” by amending the East Falls Neighborhood Commercial Review Area, and making related changes, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES.

**Attachments:** [Bill No. 25098300](#)

Councilmember Jones Introduced and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmember Jones:

**Bill No. 250984:** An Ordinance To amend the Philadelphia Zoning Maps by changing the zoning designations of certain areas of land located within an area bounded by Eva Street, Dearnley Street, Flamingo Street, Hillside Avenue, Shaw Street, Wigard Avenue Extension, Umbria Street, Minerva Street, and Shawmont Avenue.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES.

**Attachments:** [Bill No. 25098400](#)

Councilmember Jones Introduced and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmember Jones:

**Bill No. 250985:** An Ordinance Amending the Philadelphia Zoning Maps by changing the zoning designations of certain areas of land located within the area bounded by Bryn Mawr Avenue, Wynnefield Avenue, Nevada Street and the SEPTA Railroad Right of Way.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES.

**Attachments:** [Bill No. 25098500](#)



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Councilmember Jones Introduced and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmember Jones:

**Bill No. 250986:** An Ordinance Amending Section 14-500 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Overlay Zoning Districts” by creating Section 14-545, entitled, “/WFS, West Fairmount Sports Area Overlay District,” all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES.

**Attachments:** [Bill No. 25098600](#)

Councilmember Jones Introduced and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmember Jones:

**Bill No. 250987:** An Ordinance To amend the Philadelphia Zoning Maps by changing the zoning designations of certain areas of land located within an area bounded by Ridge Avenue, Sunset Avenue, Harner Street, Port Royal Avenue, Hagys Mill Road, and Cathedral Road.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES.

**Attachments:** [Bill No. 25098700](#)

Councilmember Young Introduced and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmember Young:

**Bill No. 250988:** An Ordinance Amending Chapter 9-600 of The Philadelphia Code (entitled “Service and Other Businesses”) to add business hour restrictions in the Fifth Councilmanic District; and amending Section 14-529 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “/VDO, Fifth District Overlay District,” to restrict certain commercial uses and make other related changes, all under certain terms and conditions

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES.

**Attachments:** [Bill No. 25098800](#)

Councilmember Bass Introduced and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmember Bass:

**Bill No. 250989:** An Ordinance Amending Title 10 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Regulation of Individual Conduct and Activity,” by adding a new Section to impose a temporary moratorium on the breeding and transfer of puppies, all under certain terms and conditions.

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THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES.

**Attachments:** [Bill No. 25098900](#)

Councilmember Ahmad Introduced and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmember Ahmad:

**Bill No. 250990:** An Ordinance Amending Chapter 9-1100 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Fair Practices Ordinance: Protections Against Unlawful Discrimination,” to add protections against employment discrimination on the basis of human trafficking victim status, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES.

**Attachments:** [Bill No. 25099000](#)

Councilmember Gilmore Richardson Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmember Gilmore Richardson:

**Resolution No. 250991:** Resolution Recognizing November 2025 as National Adoption Month in the City of Philadelphia.

Councilmember Gauthier Introduced and Ordered Placed On Next Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmember Gauthier:

**Resolution No. 250992:** Resolution Calling on the Pennsylvania State Senate to approve House Bill 504, the Community Energy Act, and the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to pass this legislation to allow for the creation of community energy programs in Pennsylvania.

Councilmember Thomas Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmember Thomas:

**Resolution No. 250993:** Resolution Celebrating this year’s homegrown talent, including Jahri Evans, Eddie George, and Erik Williams who have been nominated and are in consideration for the Pro Football Hall of Fame Class of 2026.

Councilmember Landau Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmember Landau:

**Resolution No. 250994:** Resolution Celebrating the 40th anniversary of Asian Americans United (AAU) in the City of Philadelphia.

Councilmember Landau Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar

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the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmember Landau:

**Resolution No. 250995:** Resolution Honoring and celebrating the life and legacy of Pierre Robert, a beloved and legendary Philadelphia WMMR Radio host and champion of Philadelphia's rock music scene.

Councilmember Landau Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmember Landau:

**Resolution No. 250996:** Resolution Recognizing November 16th, 2025 as World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims in the City of Philadelphia.

Councilmember Lozada Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmember Lozada:

**Resolution No. 250997:** Resolution Honoring and recognizing Danny Garcia on his retirement and celebrating his outstanding contributions to the City of Philadelphia and the 7th Councilmanic District.

Councilmember Brooks Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmember Brooks:

**Resolution No. 250998:** Resolution Recognizing Human Rights Day and celebrating abortion access as a human right.

Councilmember Harrity Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmember Harrity:

**Resolution :** Resolution Recognizing November as National Restorative Justice Month and honoring the power of art, healing, and community through the collaborative efforts of The Barnes Foundation, Mural Arts Philadelphia, and Creative Philadelphia.

Councilmember O'Rourke Introduced and Ordered Placed On Next Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmember O'Rourke:

**Resolution No. 251000:** Resolution Urging the City of Philadelphia to make moral investments and weigh the threat that nuclear weapons pose to all of humanity and our environment in light of the Trump administration's decision to restart testing of nuclear weapons and proposal to build a nuclear submarine right here in Philadelphia.

Councilmember Driscoll Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmember Driscoll:

**Resolution No. 251001:** Resolution Honoring and recognizing Inspector Frank Bachmayer on his retirement from the Philadelphia Police Department after 44 years of

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dedicated service.

Councilmember Bass Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmember Bass:

**Resolution No. 251002:** Resolution Honoring and Recognizing Nicole Fisher for Her Outstanding Commitment to Empowering Philadelphia's Youth, Promoting Anti-Violence Initiatives, and Exemplifying Leadership Through Faith, Family, and Service

Councilmember Bass Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmember Bass:

**Resolution No. 251003:** Resolution Honoring the courage and Legacy of Ruby Bridges by Recognizing November 14th as Ruby Bridges Walk to School Day in the City of Philadelphia.

Councilmember Ahmad Introduced and Ordered Placed On Next Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmember Ahmad:

**Resolution No. 251004:** Resolution Calling on the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to take swift and decisive action to pass House Bill 1286 as an effective measure to combat human trafficking in Pennsylvania.

## REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

### COMMITTEE ON RULES

**Bill No. 250707:** An Ordinance Amending Chapter 19-4400 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Development Impact Tax," to clarify the exemption for rental housing projects, all under certain terms and conditions.

COUNCILMEMBER BASS MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL SO AS TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION THIS DAY OF BILL NO. 250707.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

THE BILL WAS ORDERED PLACED ON THIS DAY'S FIRST READING CALENDAR.

**Bill No. 250831:** An Ordinance Amending Section 14-602 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Use Tables" by allowing Basic Utilities and Services uses without a Special Exception in certain Special Purpose districts, all under certain terms and conditions.

COUNCILMEMBER BASS MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL SO AS TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION THIS DAY OF BILL NO. 250831.

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THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

**Attachments:** [Bill No. 25083100](#)

THE BILL WAS ORDERED PLACED ON THIS DAY'S FIRST READING CALENDAR.

**Bill No. 250834:** An Ordinance Amending Title 14 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Zoning and Planning" to establish Seventh District Overlay District, restrict certain commercial uses and make other related changes, all under certain terms and conditions.

COUNCILMEMBER BASS MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL SO AS TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION THIS DAY OF BILL NO. 250834.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

THE BILL WAS ORDERED PLACED ON THIS DAY'S FIRST READING CALENDAR.

**Bill No. 250848:** An Ordinance To amend the Philadelphia Zoning Maps by changing the zoning designations of certain areas of land located within an area bounded by Chew Avenue, Church Lane, and East Wister Street.

COUNCILMEMBER BASS MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL SO AS TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION THIS DAY OF BILL NO. 250848.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

**Attachments:** [Bill No. 25084800](#)

THE BILL WAS ORDERED PLACED ON THIS DAY'S FIRST READING CALENDAR.

**Bill No. 250890:** An Ordinance Amending Section 10-503 of The Philadelphia Code to prohibit the unlawful trading, theft, and trafficking of catalytic converters and motor vehicle parts containing precious metals, and to increase penalties, all under certain terms and conditions.

COUNCILMEMBER BASS MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL SO AS TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION THIS DAY OF BILL NO. 250890.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

**Attachments:** [Bill No. 25089000](#)

THE BILL WAS ORDERED PLACED ON THIS DAY'S FIRST READING CALENDAR.

**Bill No. 250891:** An Ordinance To amend the Philadelphia Zoning Maps by changing the zoning designations of certain areas of land located within an area bounded by N. Sydenham Street, Venango Street, N. Smedley Street, and W. Tioga Street.

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COUNCILMEMBER BASS MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL SO AS TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION THIS DAY OF BILL NO. 250891.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

**Attachments:** [Bill No. 25089100](#)

THE BILL WAS ORDERED PLACED ON THIS DAY'S FIRST READING CALENDAR.

**COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

**Bill No. 250888-A, as amended:** An Ordinance Amending Title 9 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Regulation of Businesses, Trades and Professions" by adding a new chapter to prohibit third-party restaurant reservation services from arranging unauthorized restaurant reservations with food service establishments and to provide for definitions, prohibited acts, penalties, and enforcement, all under certain terms and conditions.

COUNCILMEMBER SQUILLA MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL SO AS TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION THIS DAY OF BILL NO. 250888-A, AS AMENDED.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

**Attachments:** [Bill No. 25088800](#)

THE BILL WAS ORDERED PLACED ON THIS DAY'S FIRST READING CALENDAR.

**Bill No. 250916:** An Ordinance Granting permission to Haverford Business Association to install and maintain encroachments in the nature of decorative lighting fixtures, attached to existing facilities owned by the City or other entities, subject to such owner's consent; all under certain terms and conditions.

COUNCILMEMBER SQUILLA MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL SO AS TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION THIS DAY OF BILL NO. 250916.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

**Attachments:** [Bill No. 25091600](#)

THE BILL WAS ORDERED PLACED ON THIS DAY'S FIRST READING CALENDAR.

**COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Bill No. 250849:** An Ordinance Amending Chapter 9-1100 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Fair Practices Ordinance: Protections Against Unlawful Discrimination," to explicitly protect employees from discrimination on the basis of

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menstruation, perimenopause, and menopause, all under certain terms and conditions.

COUNCILMEMBER AHMAD MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL SO AS TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION THIS DAY OF BILL NO. 250849.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

**Attachments:** [Bill No. 25084900](#)

THE BILL WAS ORDERED PLACED ON THIS DAY'S FIRST READING CALENDAR.

**CONSIDERATION OF THE CALENDAR**

**BILLS ON FIRST READING**

**Bill No. 250707:** An Ordinance Amending Chapter 19-4400 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Development Impact Tax," to clarify the exemption for rental housing projects, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS READ AND ORDERED PLACED ON NEXT WEEK'S SECOND READING CALENDAR.

**Bill No. 250831:** An Ordinance Amending Section 14-602 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Use Tables" by allowing Basic Utilities and Services uses without a Special Exception in certain Special Purpose districts, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS READ AND ORDERED PLACED ON NEXT WEEK'S SECOND READING CALENDAR.

**Attachments:** [Bill No. 25083100](#)

**Bill No. 250834:** An Ordinance Amending Title 14 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Zoning and Planning" to establish Seventh District Overlay District, restrict certain commercial uses and make other related changes, all under certain terms and conditions.

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THE BILL WAS READ AND ORDERED PLACED ON NEXT WEEK'S SECOND READING CALENDAR.

**Attachments:** [Bill No. 25084800](#)

**Bill No. 250849, as amended:** An Ordinance Amending Chapter 9-1100 of The

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Philadelphia Code, entitled “Fair Practices Ordinance: Protections Against Unlawful Discrimination,” to explicitly protect employees from discrimination on the basis of menstruation, perimenopause, and menopause, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS READ AND ORDERED PLACED ON NEXT WEEK'S SECOND READING CALENDAR.

**Attachments:** [Bill No. 25084900](#)

**Bill No. 250888-A, as amended:** An Ordinance Amending Title 9 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Regulation of Businesses, Trades and Professions” by adding a new chapter to prohibit third-party restaurant reservation services from arranging unauthorized restaurant reservations with food service establishments and to provide for definitions, prohibited acts, penalties, and enforcement, all under certain terms and conditions.

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**Attachments:** [Bill No. 25088800](#)

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**Attachments:** [Bill No. 25089000](#)

**Bill No. 250891:** An Ordinance To amend the Philadelphia Zoning Maps by changing the zoning designations of certain areas of land located within an area bounded by N. Sydenham Street, Venango Street, N. Smedley Street, and W. Tioga Street.

THE BILL WAS READ AND ORDERED PLACED ON NEXT WEEK'S SECOND READING CALENDAR.

**Attachments:** [Bill No. 25089100](#)

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THE BILL WAS READ AND ORDERED PLACED ON NEXT WEEK'S SECOND READING CALENDAR.



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Attachments: [Bill No. 25091600](#)

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Jeremy Blatstein 250967  
Michael Ippoliti Landau Introducing  
Katia Perez Brooks Introducing  
Ananya Rakagopalan Brooks - Introducing  
Farah Scully Brooks - Introducing  
Mereda Pugh Landau Introducing  
Irais Olida Hernandez Brooks Introducing  
Reverend Stephanie Evans Landau Introducing  
Katherine Kennedy Brooks Introducing  
Jasmine Hoffman Landau Introducing  
Nikki Grant Brooks Introducing  
David Alexander Jenkins 250963  
Daniel Mosher Brooks Introducing  
Maritza Padua Brooks Introducing  
Joelle Shcofield Brooks Introducing  
Vivian Chang Landau Introducing  
Kate Perez 250956  
Juanita Metzger Brooks Introducing  
Kelly Flanney Brooks Introducing  
Sixx King 250303  
Nicole Fisher Bass Introducing  
Darrell Wilson Bass Introducing  
Nate Miller Bass Introducing  
Darrell Shuler Bass Introducing  
Marco Gorini Bass Introducing  
Cole Appleman Bass Introducing  
Ogbonna Hagins 250303

SEE NOTES OF TESTIMONY FOR FULL COMMENT FROM STATED MEETING OF THURSDAY,  
NOVEMBER 13, 2025.

**Please note that this is an in-person meeting, and it is open to the public. This meeting may also be viewed on Xfinity Channel 64, Fios Channel 40 or <http://phlcouncil.com/watch-city-council/>**

**Public comment will be received in-person regarding those matters printed on the agenda on the following pages. Speakers interested in participating in public comment at this meeting may call 215-686-3406 by no later than 3 p.m. the day before the meeting and they must submit the following information:**

- **Full name (including proper pronunciation and spelling)**
- **Identify the bill number or resolution number that will be addressed**
- **State whether you support or oppose that particular bill or resolution**
  - **Telephone number where you can be reached**

**Speakers may also sign-up to participate in public comment on the day of the meeting in Room 400, City Hall. Speakers who submitted the above information within the required time frame will be added to the list. Speakers will have up to three minutes to speak; the Council President, however, reserves the right based on circumstances to establish a different time limit. The Council President may also limit testimony where repetitious comments are offered on an agenda item.**

**ORDER OF BUSINESS IN A COUNCIL SESSION**

**Note: Some items do not occur at every session:**

**Invocation.**

**Approval of the journal of the preceding meeting.**

**Requests by Councilmembers for permission to be absent from the session.**

**Reading of communications from the Mayor.**

**Introduction of bills and resolutions (to be referred to appropriate Committees of Council).**

**Reports from Committees of Council.**

**Special business.**

**Bills on first reading.**

**Public comment on bills and resolutions on the Second Reading and Final Passage Calendars - titles are printed below.**

**Bills that Council passed but that need to be returned by the Mayor for reconsideration.**

**Consideration of bills and resolutions on the Second Reading and Final Passage Calendars.**

**Bills and resolutions on the Suspension Calendar.**

**Speeches by Councilmembers.**

**BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS ON FINAL PASSAGE**

**Resolution No. 250956:** Resolution Calling on the Pennsylvania State Senate to approve House Bill 304, the Community Energy Act, and the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to pass this legislation to allow for the creation of community energy programs in Pennsylvania.

THE RESOLUTION WAS WITHDRAWN.

Councilmember Lozada called up:

**Resolution No. 250963:** Resolution Calling on the Pennsylvania General Assembly to add medetomidine to the list of controlled substances in Pennsylvania.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

Councilmember Young called up:

**Resolution No. 250967:** Resolution Authorizing the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority to execute and deliver to the Philadelphia Land Bank deeds conveying title to 1807 N. 8th Street, 1809 N. 8th Street, 1811 N. 8th Street, 1813 N. 8th Street, 1817 N. 8th Street, 1819 N. 8th Street, 1821 N. 8th Street, 1823 N. 8th Street, and 1825 N. 8th Street, located in the 5th Councilmanic District, pursuant to the requirements of the Commonwealth Land Bank Act.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

**BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS ON SECOND READING AND FINAL  
PASSAGE**

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**Bill No. 240873:** An Ordinance Establishing parking regulations in the vicinity of: N. 2nd street between Roosevelt Blvd and Ashdale street; Champlost street between N. 3rd street and N. 4th street; N. 6th street between Grange avenue and Chew avenue; Fairhill street between Grange avenue and Chew avenue.

THE BILL WAS READ AND PASSED.

*The Ayes and Nays were as follows:*

*Ayes: 16 Councilmembers Bass, Brooks, Driscoll, Gauthier, Gilmore Richardson, Harrity, Jones, Lozada, Phillips, Squilla, Thomas, Ahmad, Landau, O'Rourke, Young and Council President Johnson*

*Nays: 0*

**Bill No. 250493-AA, as amended:** An Ordinance To amend the Philadelphia Zoning Maps by changing the zoning designations of certain areas of land located within an area bounded by Roosevelt Boulevard, 9th Street, Erie Avenue, and Broad Street.

THE BILL WAS READ AND PASSED.

*The Ayes and Nays were as follows:*

*Ayes: 16 Councilmembers Bass, Brooks, Driscoll, Gauthier, Gilmore Richardson, Harrity, Jones, Lozada, Phillips, Squilla, Thomas, Ahmad, Landau, O'Rourke, Young and Council President Johnson*

*Nays: 0*

**Bill No. 250830, as amended:** An Ordinance Authorizing encroachments in the nature of a sidewalk café in the vicinity of 5015 Baltimore Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19143, under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS READ AND PASSED.

**Attachments:** [Bill No. 25083000](#)

*The Ayes and Nays were as follows:*

*Ayes: 16 Councilmembers Bass, Brooks, Driscoll, Gauthier, Gilmore Richardson, Harrity, Jones, Lozada, Phillips, Squilla, Thomas, Ahmad, Landau, O'Rourke, Young and Council President Johnson*

*Nays: 0*

**Bill No. 250835:** An Ordinance Authorizing encroachments in the nature of a sidewalk café in the vicinity of 1526-32 N American St, Philadelphia, PA 19122, under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS READ AND PASSED.

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**Attachments:** [Bill No. 25083500](#)

*The Ayes and Nays were as follows:*

*Ayes: 16 Councilmembers Bass, Brooks, Driscoll, Gauthier, Gilmore Richardson, Harrity, Jones, Lozada, Phillips, Squilla, Thomas, Ahmad, Landau, O'Rourke, Young and Council President Johnson*

*Nays: 0*

## RESOLUTIONS

Councilmember Gilmore Richardson called up:

**Resolution No. 250991:** Resolution Recognizing November 2025 as National Adoption Month in the City of Philadelphia.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

Councilmember Thomas called up:

**Resolution No. 250993:** Resolution Celebrating this year's homegrown talent, including Jahri Evans, Eddie George, and Erik Williams who have been nominated and are in consideration for the Pro Football Hall of Fame Class of 2026.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

Councilmember Landau called up:

**Resolution No. 250994:** Resolution Celebrating the 40th anniversary of Asian Americans United (AAU) in the City of Philadelphia.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

Councilmember Landau called up:

**Resolution No. 250995:** Resolution Honoring and celebrating the life and legacy of Pierre Robert, a beloved and legendary Philadelphia WMMR Radio host and champion of Philadelphia's rock music scene.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

Councilmember Landau called up:

**Resolution No. 250996:** Resolution Recognizing November 16th, 2025 as World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims in the City of Philadelphia.

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THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

Councilmember Lozada called up:

**Resolution No. 250997:** Resolution Honoring and recognizing Danny Garcia on his retirement and celebrating his outstanding contributions to the City of Philadelphia and the 7th Councilmanic District.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

Councilmember Brooks called up:

**Resolution No. 250998:** Resolution Recognizing Human Rights Day and celebrating abortion access as a human right.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

Councilmember Harrity called up:

**Resolution :** Resolution Recognizing November as National Restorative Justice Month and honoring the power of art, healing, and community through the collaborative efforts of The Barnes Foundation, Mural Arts Philadelphia, and Creative Philadelphia.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

Councilmember Driscoll called up:

**Resolution No. 251001:** Resolution Honoring and recognizing Inspector Frank Bachmayer on his retirement from the Philadelphia Police Department after 44 years of dedicated service.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

Councilmember Bass called up:

**Resolution No. 251002:** Resolution Honoring and Recognizing Nicole Fisher for Her Outstanding Commitment to Empowering Philadelphia's Youth, Promoting Anti-Violence Initiatives, and Exemplifying Leadership Through Faith, Family, and Service

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

Councilmember Bass called up:

**Resolution No. 251003:** Resolution Honoring the courage and Legacy of Ruby

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Bridges by Recognizing November 14th as Ruby Bridges Walk to School Day in the City of Philadelphia.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

**SPEECHES**

Councilmember Brooks, Councilmember O'Rourke, Councilmember Jones, Councilmember Young, Councilmember Ahmad, Councilmember Bass, Councilmember Phillips, Councilmember Landau, and Councilmember Thomas

SEE NOTES OF TESTIMONY FROM STATED MEETING OF THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2025.

**ADJOURNMENT**

COUNCILMEMBER THOMAS MOVED TO ADJOURN

until Thursday November 20, 2025 at 10:00 AM.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.