City of Philadelphia

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

Meeting Minutes (Long)

Thursday, March 7, 2024 10:00 AM

Room 400

CITY COUNCIL

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

THE REQUEST WAS GRANTED.

COMMUNICATIONS

Amending Title 14 ("Zoning and Planning") and Title 18 ("Commerce") of The Philadelphia Code to clarify responsibilities of the Department of Aviation, and eliminating provisions related to passenger charges, all under certain terms and conditions. (File No. 240173)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ AND FILED.

Amending Chapter 16-700 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Philadelphia Land Bank," to allow interested parties to require open bidding when the Land Bank seeks to exercise special authority to acquire property at a Sheriff's sale and allow prior owners to redeem property when such special authority is exercised, all under certain terms and conditions. (File No. 240174)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ AND FILED.

Appointing Madison McCarron to the Board of Directors of the City Avenue Special Services District of Philadelphia and Lower Merion. (File No. 240175)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ AND FILED.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 240160: Resolution Recognizing March 3-9, 2024, during Women's History Month, as Women in Construction (WIC) Week in the City of Philadelphia.

Resolution No. 240161: Resolution Urging the Middle States Commission on Higher Education to reverse its decision to place Cheyney University on probationary status and calling on the Commission to work collaboratively with the University's leadership to restore the historic HBCU's academic status.

Resolution No. 240162: Resolution Honoring Super Bowl champion Jason Kelce on the occasion of his retirement from the National Football League, and recognizing Jason's historic career with the Philadelphia Eagles and his generous philanthropic contributions to the City of Philadelphia made through the Make The World Better Foundation and his (Be)Philly Foundation.

Resolution No. 240163: Resolution Honoring and recognizing Katalin Karikó, PhD and Drew Weissman, MD PhD for winning the 2023 Nobel Prize in Medicine.

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Resolution No. 240166: Resolution Honoring the life and legacy of Dr. George E. Allen, the longtime leader of the Arts and Music Program at Overbrook High School.

Resolution No. 240167: Resolution Celebrating Meredith Foote's trailblazing leadership as Executive Director of the TGR Learning Lab at The Cobbs Creek Golf Course on the occasion of Women's History Month.

Resolution No. 240168: Resolution Appointing Madison McCarron to the Board of Directors of the City Avenue Special Services District of Philadelphia and Lower Merion.

THE RESOLUTION WAS REFFERED TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

Resolution No. 240169: Resolution Authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property to execute and deliver to the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority deeds conveying fee simple title to 2147 N. 5th Street in the Seventh Councilmanic District of the City of Philadelphia and further authorizing the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority to transfer to the Philadelphia Land Bank fee simple title to such properties pursuant to Section 16-405 of the Philadelphia Code.

Bill No. 240155: An Ordinance Establishing parking regulations in the vicinity of: N. 20th street and Fairmount avenue; Tioga street and Old York road, Westmoreland street and N. 13th street.

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

Bill No. 240156: An Ordinance Establishing parking regulations in the vicinity of: N. 30th street and Master street; N. 29th street and Master street and Oxford street; Oxford and N. 30th street and N. 29th street; N. 15th street and Parrish street; Swain street and N. 17th street.

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

Bill No. 240157: An Ordinance Amending Title 14 ("Zoning and Planning") and Title 18 ("Commerce") of The Philadelphia Code to clarify responsibilities of the Department of Aviation, and eliminating provisions related to passenger charges, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFFERED TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES.

Bill No. 240158: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 12-900 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Parking Regulations and Penalties," by providing for parking

prohibitions for motor vehicles with sun screening devices, and for penalties and enforcement, all under certain terms and conditions.

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

Resolution No. 240170: Resolution Celebrating Tuskegee Airmen Commemoration Day in The City of Philadelphia

Bill No. 240159: An Ordinance To amend the Philadelphia Zoning Maps by changing the zoning designations of certain areas of land located within an area bounded by Sedgwick Street, Ardleigh Street, Upsal Street, Belfield Avenue, and Sprague Street.

THE BILL WAS REFFERED TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES.

Resolution No. 240171: Resolution Recognizing March of 2024 as Philadelphia's month of Literacy and Reading.

Resolution No. 240172: Resolution Authorizing the Committees on the Environment and Global Opportunities and the Creative/Innovative Economy to hold joint hearings regarding the reliability and servicing of publicly accessible electric vehicle charging stations in the City of Philadelphia.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

COMMITTEE ON STREETS AND SERVICES

Bill No. 240008: An Ordinance Establishing parking regulations in the vicinity of: Ainslie street and Vaux street and Conrad street; Calumet street and Dobson street.

COUNCILMEMBER YOUNG MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL SO AS TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION THIS DAY OF BILL NO. 240008.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

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

Bill No. 240009: An Ordinance Establishing parking regulations in the vicinity of: Gross street and Arch street; Dewey street and Market street; Arch street to N. 57th street; N. 61st street between Arch street and Race street; N. 57th street and Market street.

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Bill No. 240011: An Ordinance Establishing parking regulations in the vicinity of: Pechin street and Green lane and Markle street; Umbria street and Lemonte street; Manayunk avenue to Hermit street; Seville street and Terrace street; Salaignac street and Pechin street; Rector street and Pechin street; Fountain street and Smick street.

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

Bill No. 240014, as amended: An Ordinance Amending Title 9 of The Philadelphia Code, by amending Section 9-203 relating to Street Vendors, by prohibiting street vending in the 54th Ward; all under certain terms and conditions.

COUNCILMEMBER YOUNG MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL SO AS TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION THIS DAY OF BILL NO. 240014, AS AMENDED.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

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

Bill No. 240016: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 11-708 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Traffic Calming Measures for Schools," by authorizing the Department of Streets to additionally install traffic calming measures in the vicinity of recreation centers, playgrounds, parks, and libraries; all under certain terms and conditions.

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Bill No. 240089-A: An Ordinance Amending Title 12 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Traffic Code," by providing for prohibitions relating to license plate flipping devices, and for penalties and enforcement, all under certain terms and conditions.

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CONSIDERATION OF THE CALENDAR

BILLS ON FIRST READING

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PUBLIC COMMENT

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. 240125-A: Resolution Authorizing the creation of the Philadelphia Task Force on Food Insecurity to study and develop proposals, strategies, and recommendations to alleviate hunger and increase access to high quality food in the City of Philadelphia.

THE RESOLUTION WAS READ.

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THE RESOLUTION WAS AMENDED.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

Resolution No. 240130: Resolution Authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property to execute and deliver to the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority deeds conveying fee simple title to 5307 Market Street and 723 N. Shedwick Street in the Third Councilmanic District of the City of Philadelphia and further authorizing the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority to transfer to the Philadelphia Land Bank fee simple title to such properties pursuant to Section 16-405 of the Philadelphia Code.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

Resolution No. 240143: Resolution Authorizing and ratifying the designation of Councilmember Jeffery Young, Jr., as Council's representative in connection with an appeal of the decision of the Zoning Board of Adjustment with respect to 1451 North

Broad Street and all litigation related thereto.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

Resolution No. 240144: Resolution Also naming Federal Street, between 6th and 7th Streets, as "Bob Pantano Way".

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

Resolution No. 240145: Resolution Also naming Chestnut Street between 12th and 13th Streets in the "Gayborhood" as "Michael Hinson Way" to honor the life and legacy of Philadelphia's first appointed liaison with the City LGBTQ+ communities by Mayor John F. Street.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS ON SECOND READING AND FINAL PASSAGE

Bill No. 240020-A, as amended: An Ordinance Amending Title 14 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Zoning and Planning," all under certain terms and conditions.

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Bill No. 240064: An Ordinance To amend the Philadelphia Zoning Maps by changing the zoning designations of certain areas of land located within an area bounded by Salmon Street, Ontario Street, Richmond Street, and Westmoreland Street.

THE BILL WAS READ AND PASSED.

The Ayes and Nays were as follows:

Bill No. 240065: An Ordinance To amend the Philadelphia Zoning Maps by changing the zoning designations of certain areas of land located within an area bounded by Holme Avenue, Academy Road, and Willits Road.

THE BILL WAS READ AND PASSED.

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Bill No. 240010-A, as amended: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 9-5900 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Prohibition on Certain Gambling Machines and Skills Games," to add additional prohibitions and provide for remedies, all under certain terms and conditions.

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Bill No. 240007: An Ordinance Amending The Philadelphia Code to add a new Chapter 21-3400, entitled "Youth Name, Image, and Likeness Protection," to establish provisions related to education and counseling for certain Philadelphia youth and their families who are considering licensing publicity rights, all under certain terms and conditions.

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RESOLUTIONS

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