

City of Philadelphia
City Council Calendar
Thursday, November 30, 2023

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.

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BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS ON FINAL PASSAGE**210396****INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Parker

Resolution calling on the Sheriff of the City of Philadelphia to request an Order from the President Judge of the Philadelphia County Court of Common Pleas of the First Judicial District of Pennsylvania to temporarily stay all mortgage and tax foreclosure sales.

210913**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Bass

Resolution authorizing City Council to retain legal counsel to file a lawsuit to require the Administration to implement and enforce Bill Number 200425, an ordinance duly enacted by the City Council of Philadelphia which became law on January 28, 2021.

230664**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Lozada

Resolution recognizing the immense pain caused to the family of Eddie Irizarry, the residents of 7th District, our Latino community and the City of Philadelphia, by Municipal Court Judge Wendy L. Pew's erroneous decision to dismiss all charges against Mark Dial.

230869**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmembers Jones and Gauthier

Resolution calling on the Pennsylvania General Assembly to pass comprehensive legislation providing sustainable relief to an overburdened system and to protect children held at the Philadelphia Juvenile Justice Services Center by recognizing time spent as time served.

230870**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Lozada

Resolution authorizing the Philadelphia Land Bank to dispose of 3000 Ruth Street located in the 7th Councilmanic District in accordance with the terms of Chapter 16-700 of The Philadelphia Code.

230872**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Gauthier

Resolution authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property to execute and deliver to the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority deeds conveying fee simple title to 1221 S. Saint Bernard 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.

230750**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmembers Jones for Council President Clarke and Squilla

Resolution proposing an amendment to The Philadelphia Home Rule Charter to provide for indemnification and defense by the City in connection with claims made against any registered community organization arising directly out of the lawful participation by such an organization in zoning matters and related land-use process; and providing for the submission of the amendment to the electors of Philadelphia.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS ON SECOND READING AND FINAL PASSAGE**200658****INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Jones

An Ordinance authorizing the installation of a traffic signal at the intersection of Upland Way and Berks Street.

210800**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmembers Gauthier, Parker, Brooks, Gym, Gilmore Richardson, Domb, Squilla and Henon

An Ordinance amending Title 12 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Parking Regulations and Penalties," to add a new section entitled "Parking for Qualified School Employees," to provide parking for certain school employees at certain locations; all under certain terms and conditions.

220916**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Jones

An Ordinance to amend the Philadelphia Zoning Maps by changing the zoning designations of certain areas of land located within an area bounded by Queen Lane, Wissahickon Avenue, Roosevelt Boulevard (Extended), and Henry Avenue, and to authorize Basic Utilities and Services in a section of Fairmount Park.

221015**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Bass for Council President Clarke

An Ordinance amending Title 19 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Finance, Taxes and Collections,” to incentivize Affordable Housing development by authorizing tax exemptions pursuant to the Affordable Housing Unit Tax Exemption Act, all under certain terms and conditions.

230655**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Squilla

An Ordinance amending Title 9 of The Philadelphia Code, by amending Section 9-203 relating to Street Vendors, by prohibiting street vending on certain portions of Girard Avenue; all under certain terms and conditions.

230579**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Driscoll

An Ordinance continuing the Aramingo Avenue Shopping District beyond its termination date, in an area that generally includes the east and west sides of Aramingo Avenue from 3300 Aramingo Avenue to 3995 Aramingo Avenue and certain blocks and streets that intersect that portion of Aramingo Avenue and for which Impact Community Development Corporation, a Pennsylvania nonprofit corporation, serves as the Neighborhood Improvement District Management Association; approving a final plan for the District, including a list of proposed improvements and their estimated cost, and providing for assessment fees to be levied on property owners within the District; authorizing the Director of Commerce, on behalf of the City, to execute an agreement with Impact Community Development Corporation, relating to the District; and authorizing Impact Community Development Corporation to assess property owners within the District a special property assessment fee to be used in accordance with the approved plan; all in accordance with the provisions of the Community and Economic Improvement Act, and under certain terms and conditions.

230586**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Bass

An Ordinance continuing the Chestnut Hill Business Improvement District in the area that generally includes both sides of Germantown Avenue from 7640 to 8705, and on certain blocks of streets that intersect that portion of Germantown Avenue, plus on Bethlehem Pike between 10 and 105 and within the district boundaries 200 blocks of West Evergreen Avenue and West Highland Avenue; Benezet Street, E. Springfield Avenue, 7600 block of Winston Road, unit block of E. Willow Grove Avenue, unit block of Moreland Avenue, unit block of E. Mermaid Lane, unit block of E. Moreland Avenue, unit block of E. Chestnut Hill Avenue; approving an extension to the boundaries of the District to include the 7700 block of Crittenden Street and the 400 block of East Mermaid Lane between Crittenden Street and Stenton Avenue; continuing Chestnut Hill Business Improvement District, Inc., a Pennsylvania nonprofit corporation, as the neighborhood improvement district management association for the District; approving a new plan for the District, including a list of proposed improvements and their estimated cost, and providing for assessment fees to be levied on property owners within the District; authorizing the Director of Commerce, on behalf of the City, to execute an agreement with Chestnut Hill Business Improvement District, Inc. relating to the District; and reauthorizing Chestnut Hill Business Improvement District, Inc. to assess property owners within the District a special property assessment fee to be used in accordance with the approved plan; all in accordance with the provisions of the Community and Economic Improvement Act, and under certain terms and conditions.

230740**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmembers Jones for Council President Clarke and Squilla

An Ordinance providing for the submission to the qualified electors of the City of Philadelphia of the proposal set forth in a Resolution approved by Council proposing an amendment to the Philadelphia Home Rule Charter to provide for indemnification and defense by the City in connection with claims made against any registered community organization arising directly out of the lawful participation by such an organization in zoning matters and related land-use process; and authorizing the appropriate officers to publish notice and to make arrangements for the special election.

230249**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmembers Jones and Gilmore Richardson

An Ordinance establishing a no truck parking regulation on both sides of 52nd Street between Arlington Street and West Berks Street; and a no parking truck regulation on both sides of 53rd Street between Lebanon Avenue and Arlington Street.

230511**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Jones

An Ordinance authorizing encroachments in the nature of a sidewalk café in the vicinity of 4001 Cresson Street, under certain terms and conditions.

230717**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Squilla for Council President Clarke

An Ordinance extending the term of existence of The Philadelphia Parking Authority.

230569**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmembers Gilmore Richardson, Council President Clarke and Phillips

An Ordinance amending Chapter 9-4400 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Responsible Business Operations,” to expand the provisions for video monitoring of nuisance businesses and to provide additional enforcement mechanisms in connection with certain nuisance businesses engaged in drug paraphernalia sales, all under certain terms and conditions.

230647**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmembers Phillips, Gauthier and Squilla

An Ordinance amending Subcode “A” (The Philadelphia Administrative Code) and Subcode “PM” (The Philadelphia Property Maintenance Code) of Title 4 and Chapter 9-3900 (“Property Licenses and Owner Accountability”) of The Philadelphia Code to modify prohibitions, remedies, including fines, and licensing and certification requirements related to shared retaining walls, all under certain terms and conditions.

230576**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmembers Jones, Gilmore Richardson, Bass, Driscoll, Squilla, Brooks, Gauthier and Thomas

An Ordinance renaming and designating the property commonly referred to as the Charles Baker Recreation Center, located at 5433 Lansdowne Avenue, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania as the “Charles Baker and Carol Baker Rice Recreation Center”.

230510

INTRODUCED BY: Councilmembers Phillips, Harrity, Jones, Johnson, Bass, Lozada, Squilla, O'Neill, Driscoll, Vaughn and Gilmore Richardson

An Ordinance amending Chapter 10-600 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Public Spaces - Prohibited Conduct," by prohibiting certain facial coverings from being worn in certain spaces; under certain terms and conditions.