

City of Philadelphia
City Council Calendar
Thursday, September 14, 2023

PUBLIC COMMENT

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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.

230432**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmembers Harrity and Lozada

Resolution calling on Safehouse, the United States Department of Justice, and the Mayor to halt implementation of supervised injection sites in the City of Philadelphia, to involve community groups and other branches of city government with differing views to participate in settlement negotiations, and to enforce the previous holding from the Third Circuit Court of Appeals.

230186-A**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Jones for Council President Clarke

An Ordinance authorizing an increase in the non-electoral indebtedness of the City within the Pennsylvania constitutional limit; authorizing the Bond Committee to sell bonds at public or private negotiated sale, to provide funds toward various capital municipal purposes; providing for appropriations to the Sinking Fund Commission for the payment of such bonds; and authorizing agreements to provide credit or payment or liquidity sources for the bonds in connection with issuance of the bonds, and certain other actions.

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.

230410**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmembers Lozada, Driscoll, Squilla, Harrity, O'Neill, Johnson, Bass and Vaughn

An Ordinance amending Chapter 14-500 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Overlay Zoning Districts,” to add an overlay district pertaining to injection sites for narcotics, all under certain terms and conditions.

230448**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember O'Neill

An Ordinance amending Chapter 14-500 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Overlay Zoning Districts,” by amending Section 14-514, entitled /FNE, Far Northeast Overlay District, Section 14-515, entitled /NE, Northeast Overlay District, and Section 14-524, entitled /FDO, Fourth District Overlay District by creating regulations for Medical Marijuana, all under certain terms and conditions.

RESOLUTIONS**RESOLUTIONS****230591****INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Jones

Resolution authorizing the City Council Committee on Public Safety to hold public hearings examining “three strikes you’re out laws” and to understand their potential impact on retail theft in Philadelphia.

230593**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Vaughn

Resolution authorizing the Committee on People with Disabilities and Special Needs to hold hearings regarding the issues, challenges, and misdiagnoses for children and their families dealing with Ehlers-Danlos syndromes.

230595**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Harrity

Resolution authorizing the Committee on Neighborhood Services to hold hearings regarding the use of ZIP Codes as a proxy for discriminatory actions by businesses and other service providers.

230602**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Bass

Resolution calling on the Committee of Streets and Services to hold hearings regarding traffic calming measures in the City of Philadelphia and the status of the implementation of speed cushions, bike lanes, delineators and other tools to decrease pedestrian injuries and fatalities, as well as property damage.

230604

INTRODUCED BY: Councilmember O'Neill

Resolution authorizing and ratifying Councilmember O'Neill's appeal, on behalf of and as representative of City Council, of the decision of the Zoning Board of Adjustment with respect to 2901 Grant Avenue.