

Thursday, November 14, 2024

PRESENT: 17 - Councilmembers Bass, Brooks, Driscoll, Gauthier, Gilmore Richardson,

Harrity, Jones, Lozada, O'Neill, Phillips, Squilla, Thomas, Ahmad, Landau,

O'Rourke, Young and Council President Johnson

Council met, a quorum being present.

Pastor Bryan Jackson, Garden of Prayer World Prayer, was introduced and offered an appropriate prayer.

COUNCILMEMBER BASS MOVED TO APPROVE THE JOURNAL

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

COMMUNICATIONS

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

Transmitting a Resolution authorizing the Philadelphia Land Bank to dispose of 320 N. 41st Street and 323 N. Holly Street located in the 3rd Councilmanic District in accordance with the terms of Chapter 16-700 of The Philadelphia Code. (File No. 241077)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ AND FILED.

Transmitting an Ordinance authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property, on behalf of the City of Philadelphia, to enter into various lease and sublease agreements with various landlords and tenants, for use by the City of all or a portion of various premises located at 1835 South Broad Street, 6000 Woodland Avenue, 4029 Market Street, 5610 Lancaster Avenue, 2301 North Broad Street, 6420 Frankford Avenue, 2739 North 5th Street, 5361-91 Chew Avenue, 6233 North Broad Street, and 1619 Grant Avenue, all under certain terms and conditions. (File No. 241078)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ AND FILED.

Transmitting a message advising you that on November 13, 2024, I signed the following bills, which were passed by Council at its session on October 24, 2024:

Bill No. 240657

Bill No. 240748

Bill No. 240749

Bill No. 240812

Bill No. 240813

Bill No. 240814

Bill No. 240815

Bill No. 240816

Bill No. 240818

Bill No. 240819

Bill No. 240820

Bill No. 240821

Bill No. 240822

Bill No. 240823

Bill No. 240824 (File No. 241079)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ AND FILED.

Transmitting a message advising you on November 13, 2024, I signed the following bills, which were passed by Council at its session on October 31, 2024:

Bill No. 240499

Bill No. 240656

Bill No. 240661

Bill No. 240662 (File No. 241080)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ AND FILED.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

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

Bill No. 241050: An Ordinance Authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property, on behalf of the City of Philadelphia, to enter into various lease and sublease agreements with various landlords and tenants, for use by the City of all or a portion of various premises located at 1835 South Broad Street, 6000 Woodland Avenue, 4029 Market Street, 5610 Lancaster Avenue, 2301 North Broad Street, 6420 Frankford Avenue, 2739 North 5th Street, 5361-91 Chew Avenue, 6233 North Broad Street, and 1619 Grant Avenue, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFFERED TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC PROPERTY AND PUBLIC WORKS.

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

Bill No. 241051: An Ordinance Authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property, on behalf of the City of Philadelphia, to acquire fee simple title or a lesser real estate interest by purchase, dedication, donation, condemnation, agreement in lieu of condemnation, or otherwise, in and to all or portions of a certain parcel of land known as 923 W. Butler Street, under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFFERED TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC PROPERTY AND PUBLIC WORKS.

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

Bill No. 241052: An Ordinance Authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property, on behalf of the City of Philadelphia, to enter into a sublease agreement with the Philadelphia Municipal Authority, for use by the City of a portion of the premises located at 1600-26 John F. Kennedy Boulevard, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFFERED TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC PROPERTY AND PUBLIC WORKS.

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

Bill No. 241053: An Ordinance Authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property, on behalf of the City of Philadelphia, to enter into a sublease agreement with the Philadelphia Municipal Authority, for use by the City of a portion of the premises located at 30 S. 15th Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFFERED TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC PROPERTY AND PUBLIC WORKS.

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

Bill No. 241054: An Ordinance Amending Section 14-520 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "/NDO, Ninth District Overlay District," by reorganizing existing requirements and requiring Special Exceptions for certain uses in designated areas, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFFERED TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES.

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

Bill No. 241055: An Ordinance To amend the Philadelphia Zoning Maps by changing the zoning designations of certain areas of land located within an area bounded by Packer Avenue, Seventh Street, Pattison Avenue, and Darien Street. To amend Title 14 of The Philadelphia Code by adding Section 14-541 entitled "/PAK, Packer Avenue Overlay District and making other related changes, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFFERED TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES.

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

Bill No. 241056: 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 eliminate the requirement that City officers and employees resign from their City office or employment before becoming candidates for public office; and authorizing the appropriate officers to publish notice and to make arrangements for the special election.

THE BILL WAS REFFERED TO THE COMMITTEE ON LAW AND GOVERNMENT.

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

Bill No. 241057: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 9-600 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Service and Other Businesses, to add a new Section 9-640, entitled "Mandatory Posting of Warning of Unlawful Transfer of Firearm," to require licensed firearms dealers to post signs warning that purchasing firearms for another is criminally punishable; all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFFERED TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY.

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

Bill No. 241058: An Ordinance To amend the Philadelphia Zoning Maps by changing the zoning designations of certain areas of land located within an area bounded by Oxford Street, Cadwallader Street, Jefferson Street, Germantown Avenue, and 4th Street.

THE BILL WAS REFFERED TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES.

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

Bill No. 241059: An Ordinance To amend the Philadelphia Zoning Maps by changing the zoning designations of certain areas of land located within an area bounded by Erie Avenue, 9th Street, Hutchinson Street, Ontario Street, Sedgley Street, 6th Street, Glenwood Avenue, and Broad Street

THE BILL WAS REFFERED TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES.

Councilmember Harrity Introduced and Referred the following Bill for Council President Johnson, Sponsored by Councilmembers Harrity, Ahmad, Bass, Brooks, Driscoll, Gauthier, Gilmore Richardson, Jones, Landau, Lozada, O'Neill, O'Rourke, Phillips, Squilla, Thomas and Young:

Bill No. 241060: An Ordinance Amending Philadelphia Code Section 17-107 to add Stadium Concessions Employees as a class of workers entitled to receive prevailing wages, as defined by the City Code, from persons receiving City contracts or leasing land from the City or a City-related agency, adding and modifying definitions, and establishing when such requirements are effective, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFFERED TO THE COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND CIVIL SERVICE.

Councilmember O'Neill Introduced and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmember O'Neill:

Bill No. 241061: An Ordinance Authorizing the revision of lines and grades on a portion of City Plan Nos. 383, 384, 385, and 386 by relocating portions of the houselines and curblines of Southampton Road from The Roosevelt Boulevard to points northwestwardly therefrom, relocating portions of the easterly houseline and the curblines of Southampton-Byberry Road from The Roosevelt Boulevard to points southeastwardly and southwardly therefrom, and relocating portions of the curblines of The Roosevelt Boulevard from Southampton and Southampton-Byberry Roads to the Philadelphia-Bucks County Line, all under certain terms and conditions.

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

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

Bill No. 241062: An Ordinance Amending Section 14-500 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Overlay Zoning Districts," by amending Section 14-502, entitled "CTR/Center

City Overlay District and 14-702, Floor Area, Height, and Dwelling Unit Density Bonuses, and creating Section 14-542, entitled "/PCH, Philadelphia Chinatown Overlay District," and making related changes all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFFERED TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES.

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

Bill No. 241063: An Ordinance Amending Title 12 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Traffic Code," to create smart loading zones and a camera-based enforcement systems for designated parking violations, revise the procedures for identifying and handling stolen vehicles prior to towing, amend the parking violations subject to towing, and make related technical changes, all under certain terms and conditions.

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

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

Bill No. 241064: An Ordinance Amending Title 14 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Zoning and Planning" by revising provisions for electric vehicle parking and electrical supply requirements and making technical changes, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFFERED TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES.

Councilmember Gilmore Richardson Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution for Council President Johnson, Sponsored by Councilmembers Ahmad, Bass, Brooks, Driscoll, Gauthier, Gilmore Richardson, Harrity, Jones, Landau, Lozada, O'Neill, O'Rourke, Phillips, Squilla, Thomas and Young:

Resolution No. 241065: Resolution Honoring and celebrating *The Philadelphia Tribune*, an advocate and trailblazer for the African American community, on the occasion of its 140-year anniversary as the oldest, continuously published newspaper, owned and operated by African Americans.

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

Resolution No. 241066: Resolution Authorizing the Philadelphia Land Bank to dispose of 320 N. 41st Street and 323 N. Holly Street located in the 3rd Councilmanic District in accordance with the terms of Chapter 16-700 of The Philadelphia Code.

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

Resolution No. 241067: Resolution Also naming the 3900 block of Chestnut Street as "Dr. Audrey E. Evans Way" to honor the life and memory of Dr. Audrey E. Evans and her invaluable contributions to pediatric oncology and the Ronald McDonald House Charities of the Philadelphia Region.

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

Resolution No. 241068: Resolution Authorizing the Philadelphia Land Bank to dispose of 3924 Cambridge Street, 3909 Pennsgrove Street, 1110, 1112, 1113, 1118, 1128 State Street, 3900, 3902, 3904, 3906, 3911, 3912, 3919, 3921 3926 Wyalusing Avenue located in the 3rd Councilmanic District in accordance with the terms of Chapter 16-700 of The Philadelphia Code.

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

Resolution No. 241069: Resolution Authorizing the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority to execute and deliver to the Philadelphia Land Bank deeds conveying title to various properties located in the 3rd Councilmanic District, including on the following streets: N. 35th Street, N. 38th Street, Aspen Street, Brown Street, N. DeKalb Street, Ogden Street, Sloan Street, and Union Street, pursuant to the requirements of the Commonwealth Land Bank Act.

Councilmember Thomas Introduced and Referred the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmember Thomas:

Resolution No. 241070: Resolution Proposing an amendment to the Philadelphia Home Rule Charter to eliminate the requirement that City officers and employees resign from their City office or employment before becoming candidates for public office; and providing for the submission of the amendment of the electors of Philadelphia.

THE RESOLUTION WAS REFFERED TO THE COMMITTEE ON LAW AND GOVERNMENT.

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

Resolution No. 241071: Resolution Authorizing the Joint Committees on Public Safety and Parks and Recreation to hold hearings to examine the interdepartmental protocol, administered by Philadelphia Parks and Recreation, the Philadelphia Fire

Department, and the Office of Emergency Management, for urban-fire management in public parks and park adjacent neighborhoods, considering the recent unprecedented droughts and wildfires across the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

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

Resolution No. 241072: Resolution Recognizing November 17, 2024 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. 241073: Resolution Declaring the Third Week of Every November as "Restorative Justice Week" in the City of Philadelphia in Honor of the International Campaign "International Restorative Justice Week".

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

Resolution No. 241074: Resolution Thanking the Pennsylvania General Assembly for passing Act 103, the "Putting the Brakes on Street Racing" bill

Councilmember O'Rourke Introduced and Ordered Placed On Next Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution for Council President Johnson, Sponsored by Councilmembers O'Rourke, Ahmad, Bass, Brooks, Driscoll, Gauthier, Gilmore Richardson, Harrity, Jones, Landau, Lozada, O'Neill, Phillips, Squilla, Thomas and Young:

Resolution No. 241075: Resolution Calling on Governor Josh Shapiro and the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission to stave off fare hikes and service cuts to SEPTA by flexing federal infrastructure funds from state highway projects to local transportation authorities.

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

Resolution No. 241076: Resolution Recognizing the 300th Anniversary of The Carpenters' Company of the City and County of Philadelphia. The Nation's Oldest Trade Guild and the Stewards of Carpenters' Hall

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

No reports from committees for this week.

CONSIDERATION OF THE CALENDAR

PUBLIC COMMENT

Antoinette Sanders 241035

Zevi Koretz 241035

Jeanette Murdock 241035

Benjamin Keys 240931

Kate Perez 240427

Samaya Brown 240931

Jeremy Blatstein 2401034

Leo Vaccaro 240913

Ms. Joy Taney 240913

Tyrique Glasgow 240931

Racquel Fetzer Lozada Res.

Carmen Pagan Lozada Res.

Luis Soto Lozada Res.

Ramon Cruz Lozada Res.

Peter Taney 24931

Rosslyn Wuchiuich Cp Res.

Fred Motley Cp Res.

Samantha Spector Cp Res.

Major Hodges Cp Res.

Tiffani Davis Cp Res.

Niya Wise Cp Res.

Jenny Zhang 241035

Emilio Weber 241035

Emily Goddard 241035

Lynn Landis 240724

Wanda Walker 241035

Ogbonna Hagins 240427

SEE NOTES OF TESTIMONY FOR FULL COMMENT FROM STATED MEETING OF THURSDAY,

NOVEMBER 14, 2024.

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

Councilmember Lozada called up:

Resolution No. 241034: Resolution Authorizing the Philadelphia Land Bank to dispose of 1766-72 N Bodine St; 2244 and 2246 Hope St; 218 Cecil B Moore Ave located in the 7th Councilmanic District in accordance with the terms of Chapter 16-700 of The Philadelphia Code.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

Councilmember Brooks called up:

Resolution No. 241035: Resolution Calling on the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to establish an Office of the Public Healthcare Advocate within the Office of the Attorney General.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS ON SECOND READING AND FINAL PASSAGE

Bill No. 240004: An Ordinance Amending Title 11 ("Streets") and Title 21 ("Miscellaneous") of The Philadelphia Code to amend requirements concerning publication of notices in newspapers, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS READ AND PASSED.

The Ayes and Nays were as follows:

Ayes: 17 Councilmembers Bass, Brooks, Driscoll, Gauthier, Gilmore Richardson, Harrity, Jones, Lozada, O'Neill, Phillips, Squilla, Thomas, Ahmad, Landau, O'Rourke, Young and Council President Johnson

Nays: 0

Bill No. 240613-A, as amended: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 12-1100 ("Miscellaneous Regulations and Penalties") and Chapter 12-2800 ("Administrative Adjudication of Parking Violations") of The Philadelphia Code, making revisions to disability parking space standards and procedures, creating an application process for residential disability parking spaces limited for use by a specific person with disability, creating a new administrative hearing process, and amending applicable penalties.

THE BILL WAS AMENDED.

Bill No. 240931: An Ordinance Authorizing and directing the changing of the name of Taney Street to LeCount Street, from West Toronto Street to West Somerset Street; from Ridge Avenue to Cecil B. Moore Avenue; from Master Street to Aspen Street; from Pine Street to Bainbridge Street; from Catharine Street to Christian Street; from Dickinson Street to Morris Street; and authorizing and directing the changing of the name of Taney Terrace, from Point Breeze Avenue to Jackson Street, to LeCount Terrace, all under certain terms and conditions

THE BILL WAS READ AND PASSED.

The Ayes and Nays were as follows:

Ayes: 17 Councilmembers Bass, Brooks, Driscoll, Gauthier, Gilmore Richardson, Harrity, Jones, Lozada, O'Neill, Phillips, Squilla, Thomas, Ahmad, Landau, O'Rourke, Young and Council President Johnson

Nays: 0

RESOLUTIONS

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THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

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THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

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THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

SPEECHES

Councilmember Brooks, Councilmember O'Rourke, Councilmember Phillips, Councilmember Gauthier, Councilmember Lozada, Councilmember Harrity, Councilmember Young, Councilmember Landau, and Councilmember Driscoll

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ADJOURNMENT

COUNCILMEMBER GILMORE RICHARDSON MOVED TO ADJOURN

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.