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**Thursday, June 2, 2011**

PRESENT: 17 - Councilmembers Blackwell, Clarke, Council President Verna, DiCiccio, Goode, Green, Greenlee, Jones, Kelly, Kenney, Krajewski, Miller, O'Neill, Reynolds Brown, Rizzo, Sanchez and Tasco

Council met, a quorum being present.

Reverend Glenn Shepherd of Campbell AME Church was introduced and offered an appropriate prayer.

COUNCILMEMBER TASCO MOVED TO APPROVE THE JOURNAL of the meeting of May 26, 2011.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

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

- Transmitting a message advising Council that Bill Nos. 110294, 110295 and 110296, which were passed by Council on May 26, 2011, were signed by the Mayor on June 1, 2011. (File No. 110492)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ.

- Transmitting a resolution approving the redevelopment contract and disposition supplement of the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Philadelphia for the redevelopment and urban renewal of a portion of the Point Breeze Urban Renewal Area, designated as Parcel Nos. 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113 and 114 and also sometimes identified by house numbers and street addresses for Parcel No. 105 as 1214 South Nineteenth street, for Parcel No. 106 as 1624 South Nineteenth street, for Parcel No. 107 as 1627 South Nineteenth street, for Parcel No. 108 as 1705 South Nineteenth street, for Parcel No. 109 as 1418 South Twentieth street, for Parcel No. 110 as 1424 South Twentieth street, for Parcel No. 111 as 1141 South Cleveland street, for Parcel No. 112 as 2014

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Dickinson street, for Parcel No. 113 as 1146 Dorrance street and for Parcel No. 114 as 2042 Federal street; authorizing the Redevelopment Authority to execute the redevelopment contract with Innova Redevelopment, LLC and to take such action as may be necessary to effectuate the redevelopment contract and disposition supplement, accompanied by an explanatory letter from the Executive Director of the Redevelopment Authority. (File No. 110493)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ.

- ☐ Transmitting a resolution approving the redevelopment contract of the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Philadelphia for the redevelopment and urban renewal of a portion of the Washington Square West Urban Renewal Area, Unit No. 2, designated as a portion of Parcel No. 4 also sometimes identified by house number and street address as Unit 5, Walnut Towers Condominium, 800-834 Walnut street; authorizing the Redevelopment Authority to execute the redevelopment contract with Liberty/Parkway 8th & Walnut, LP and to take such action as may be necessary to effectuate the redevelopment contract, accompanied by an explanatory letter from the Executive Director of the Redevelopment Authority. (File No. 110494)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ.

- ☐ Transmitting a resolution 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; authorizing agreements to provide credit or payment or liquidity sources for the bonds in connection with issuance of the bonds, and certain other actions; providing for obtaining the consent of the electors to increasing the indebtedness of the City; and fixing a day and providing for arrangements for holding the election for obtaining such consent, accompanied by an explanatory letter from the Finance Director. (File No. 110495)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ.

- ☐ Transmitting a bill amending Section 19-1801 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Authorization of Tax," to further authorize the Board of Education of the School District of Philadelphia to impose a tax on real estate within the City of Philadelphia, and providing for a tax rate; all under certain terms and conditions. (File No. 110496)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ.

- ☐ June 2, 2011

TO THE PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE

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COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA:

As we have discussed, and you are well aware, the School District of Philadelphia is facing tremendous financial challenges which threaten its capacity to provide essential programs and services and to meet the educational needs of our children.

I am particularly concerned about cuts that would eliminate funding for full-day kindergarten, public transportation to and from school, accelerated schools, and a level of funding which allows us to maintain the reduced class sizes that are crucial to continuing the educational gains made in recent years. Significantly reduced or eliminated funding for these priority areas would reverse the gains that we have made and would have very negative consequences for our young people and our city as a whole.

For these reasons, I believe there is a compelling case for providing additional resources to the School District of Philadelphia, primarily in order to protect four key items: full-day kindergarten, transportation, smaller class sizes and accelerated schools.

There are a number of revenue options that - when combined with significant restored state funding above and beyond which the District has budgeted, an agreement with SEPTA on the funding of Transpasses, and an increase in on-street parking rates - would generate the necessary revenue to preserve funding for quality education.

In my view, the best of these options would be a School District tax connected to retailers' purchase of sugar-sweetened beverages for sale in Philadelphia. Accordingly, I am transmitting herewith for introduction and your consideration a proposed ordinance entitled:

“AN ORDINANCE

Amending Chapter 19-1800 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “School Tax Authorization,” by adding a new Section 19-1807, entitled “Authorization of Sugar-Sweetened Beverage Tax,” under certain terms and conditions.”

This proposal would establish a two-cent-per-ounce sugar-sweetened

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beverage tax, to be collected by the distributors of such beverages to Philadelphia retailers. If made effective October 1, 2011, this proposal would generate approximately \$60 million for the School District in Fiscal Year 2012. Combined with additional state funding, an agreement with SEPTA and an increase in on-street parking rates (estimated to generate approximately \$6 million in additional revenue for the District), this funding would help restore some essential services.

Council has asked me to work with the body to create options to provide relief to the District. I understand there likely will be consideration of an increase in real estate taxes to provide additional funding, or perhaps a variety of options that combine elements of different proposals. Ultimately, my most abiding concern at this point is the provision of sufficient revenue to the School District to ensure that critical programs and services, as I have outlined above, can be maintained for the public school children of the City of Philadelphia.

Whether this is accomplished through a combination of a sugar-sweetened beverage tax combined with an increase in on-street parking rates, an increase in real estate taxes combined with an increase in on-street parking rates, or some combination of the three, we should move forward to provide the funding necessary to preserve these essential services. These are difficult choices, but difficult times require us to be bold and take action.

I certainly remain interested in continuing the dialogue about these issues and know that, working together, we can do what is right for the children of our City.

Respectfully,  
Michael A. Nutter,  
Mayor  
(File No. 110497)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ.

**INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS**

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

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☐ **Resolution No. 110483:** Resolution Authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property to execute and deliver to the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Philadelphia, without consideration, deeds conveying conditional fee simple title to certain City-owned lots or pieces of ground with the buildings and improvements thereon, situate in the Sixtieth Ward of the City of Philadelphia, pursuant to Chapter 16-400 of The Philadelphia Code and authorizing the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Philadelphia to dispose of such properties for rehabilitation and/or improvement in accordance with the terms of Chapter 16-400 of The Philadelphia Code.

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

☐ **Resolution No. 110484:** Resolution Honoring The Math, Civics & Sciences Charter School Basketball Team for Winning the Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association (PIAA) Class A State Championship on March 25, 2011.

Councilmember Tasco Introduced (By Request) and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmember Tasco:

☐ **Bill No. 110477:** An Ordinance Amending Section 19-1801 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Authorization of Tax," to further authorize the Board of Education of the School District of Philadelphia to impose a tax on real estate within the City of Philadelphia, and providing for a tax rate; all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

Councilmember Tasco Introduced (By Request) and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmember Tasco:

☐ **Bill No. 110478:** An Ordinance Amending Chapter 19-1800 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "School Tax Authorization," by adding a new Section 19-1807, entitled "Authorization of Sugar-Sweetened Beverage Tax," under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

Councilmember Tasco Introduced (By Request) and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmember Tasco:

☐ **Bill No. 110480:** An Ordinance 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; authorizing agreements to provide

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credit or payment or liquidity sources for the bonds in connection with issuance of the bonds, and certain other actions; providing for obtaining the consent of the electors to increasing the indebtedness of the City; and fixing a day and providing for arrangements for holding the election for obtaining such consent.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Councilmember Tasco Introduced and Ordered Placed On Next Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution for Councilmember Council President Verna, Sponsored by Councilmember Tasco:

- ☐ **Resolution No. 110485:** Resolution Approving the redevelopment contract and disposition supplement of the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Philadelphia for the redevelopment and urban renewal of a portion of the Point Breeze Urban Renewal Area, designated as Parcel Nos. 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113 and 114 and also sometimes identified by house numbers and street addresses for Parcel No. 105 as 1214 South Nineteenth street, for Parcel No. 106 as 1624 South Nineteenth street, for Parcel No. 107 as 1627 South Nineteenth street, for Parcel No. 108 as 1705 South Nineteenth street, for Parcel No. 109 as 1418 South Twentieth street, for Parcel No. 110 as 1424 South Twentieth street, for Parcel No. 111 as 1141 South Cleveland street, for Parcel No. 112 as 2014 Dickinson street, for Parcel No. 113 as 1146 Dorrance street and for Parcel No. 114 as 2042 Federal street; authorizing the Redevelopment Authority to execute the redevelopment contract with Innova Redevelopment, LLC and to take such action as may be necessary to effectuate the redevelopment contract and disposition supplement.

Councilmember Tasco Introduced and Ordered Placed On Next Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution for Councilmember Council President Verna, Sponsored by Councilmember Tasco:

- ☐ **Resolution No. 110486:** Resolution Authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property to execute and deliver to the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Philadelphia, without consideration, deeds conveying conditional fee simple title to certain City-owned lots or pieces of ground with the buildings and improvements thereon, situate in the Thirty-sixth Ward of the City of Philadelphia, pursuant to Chapter 16-400 of The Philadelphia Code and authorizing the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Philadelphia to dispose of such properties for rehabilitation and/or improvement in accordance with the terms of Chapter 16-400 of The Philadelphia Code.

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

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📄 Lambert Street, from 65th Avenue to Cheltenham Avenue, southbound.

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

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

📄 **Bill No. 110482:** An Ordinance Establishing a one-way regulation on Marion Street, from West Ashmead Street to Hansberry Street, northbound.

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

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

📄 **Resolution No. 110487:** Resolution Authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property to execute and deliver to the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Philadelphia, without consideration, deeds conveying conditional fee simple title to certain City-owned lots or pieces of ground with the buildings and improvements thereon, situate in the Nineteenth, Twenty-third and Thirty-seventh Wards of the City of Philadelphia, pursuant to Chapter 16-400 of The Philadelphia Code and authorizing the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Philadelphia to dispose of such properties for rehabilitation and/or improvement in accordance with the terms of Chapter 16-400 of The Philadelphia Code.

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

📄 **Resolution No. 110488:** Resolution Authorizing Council's Committee on Education to hold hearings concerning the Free Library of Philadelphia's policy on "floating collections," in order to ensure the preservation and continuing enhancement of the unique and historical collections of local neighborhood libraries.

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

📄 **Resolution No. 110489:** Resolution Approving the redevelopment contract of the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Philadelphia for the redevelopment and urban renewal of a portion of the Washington Square West Urban Renewal Area, Unit No. 2, designated as a portion of Parcel No. 4 also sometimes identified by house number and street address as Unit 5, Walnut Towers Condominium, 800-834 Walnut street; authorizing the Redevelopment Authority to execute the redevelopment contract with Liberty/Parkway 8th & Walnut, LP and to take such

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

- 📄 **Bill No. 110479:** An Ordinance Amending Section 19-1301 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Real Estate Taxes,” by revising the real estate tax rate, under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

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

- 📄 **Resolution No. 110490:** Resolution Authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property to execute and deliver to the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Philadelphia, without consideration, deeds conveying conditional fee simple title to certain City-owned lots or pieces of ground with the buildings and improvements thereon, situate in the Twenty-eighth and Forty-three Wards of the City of Philadelphia, pursuant to Chapter 16-400 of The Philadelphia Code and authorizing the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Philadelphia to dispose of such properties for rehabilitation and/or improvement in accordance with the terms of Chapter 16-400 of The Philadelphia Code.

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

- 📄 **Resolution No. 110491:** Resolution Recognizing the Accomplishments of Ollie Johnson, director of Athletics at Community College of Philadelphia since 1991.

**REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES**

**COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC PROPERTY AND PUBLIC WORKS**

- 📄 **Bill No. 110372:** An Ordinance Authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property, on behalf of the City of Philadelphia, to convey to the Philadelphia Authority for Industrial Development, a parcel with an address of 1814-28 West Cheltenham Avenue, for further conveyance, under certain terms and conditions.

COUNCILMEMBER KENNEY MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL SO AS TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION THIS DAY OF BILL NO. 110372.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

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



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📄 **Bill No. 110383:** An Ordinance Authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property, on behalf of the City of Philadelphia, to enter into a sublease agreement with the Philadelphia Authority for Industrial Development, for certain land and improvements located at 3449 Scotts Lane, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS ORDERED PRINTED AND PLACED ON NEXT FIRST READING CALENDAR.

📄 **Bill No. 110384:** An Ordinance Authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property to convey, on behalf of the City, 405 Manton Street, 407 Manton Street, 409 Manton Street, 411 Manton Street, 413 Manton Street, 2042 Martha Street, 2457-59 Martha Street, 2105 East Hagert Street, 2106 East Cumberland Street, 2107 East Hagert Street, 2109 East Hagert Street, 2223 Blair Street, 2345 East Cumberland Street for fair market value, all under certain terms and conditions.

COUNCILMEMBER KENNEY MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL SO AS TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION THIS DAY OF BILL NO. 110384.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

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

📄 **Bill No. 110441:** An Ordinance Authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property, on behalf of the City of Philadelphia, to convey to the Philadelphia Authority for Industrial Development, a parcel of land located at 1628 Fitzwater Street, for further conveyance, under certain terms and conditions.

COUNCILMEMBER KENNEY MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL SO AS TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION THIS DAY OF BILL NO. 110441.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

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

**COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

📄 **Bill No. 110370:** An Ordinance Adopting an Amendment to Section V of the Articles of Incorporation of the Philadelphia Authority for Industrial Development by increasing the Authority's term of existence to a date fifty years from the date of approval of Articles of Amendment by the Secretary of the Commonwealth, under certain terms and conditions.


COUNCILMEMBER GOODE MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL SO AS TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION THIS DAY OF BILL NO. 110370.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

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


**COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

 **Bill No. 100755:** An Ordinance Amending Title 21 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Miscellaneous," by creating a new Chapter 21-1800, entitled "Foster Care," to provide for standards and procedures for approving foster parents and the placement of children in foster care, all under certain terms and conditions.

COUNCILMEMBER TASCO MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL SO AS TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION THIS DAY OF BILL NO. 100755.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.


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

 **Bill No. 110304, as amended:** An Ordinance Amending Title 21 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Miscellaneous," by adding a new Chapter requiring the Department of Human Services to report on its compliance with a policy that requires that a summary of children's rights to be free from abuse be communicated to all children who are the subject of an investigation into a credible report of child abuse or who are being placed in another home, foster home, group home, or other facility, under certain terms and conditions.

COUNCILMEMBER TASCO MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL SO AS TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION THIS DAY OF BILL NO. 110304.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

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

 **Bill No. 110374:** An Ordinance Amending Chapter 9-600 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Service and Other Businesses," to require tobacco retailers to obtain permits for the retail sale of tobacco products and certain other products containing nicotine, under certain terms and conditions.

COUNCILMEMBER TASCO MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL SO AS TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION THIS DAY OF BILL NO. 110374.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

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

**CONSIDERATION OF THE CALENDAR**

**BILLS ON FIRST READING**

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📄 **Bill No. 110372:** An Ordinance Authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property, on behalf of the City of Philadelphia, to convey to the Philadelphia Authority for Industrial Development, a parcel with an address of 1814-28 West Cheltenham Avenue, for further conveyance, under certain terms and conditions.

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

📄 **Bill No. 110384:** An Ordinance Authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property to convey, on behalf of the City, 405 Manton Street, 407 Manton Street, 409 Manton Street, 411 Manton Street, 413 Manton Street, 2042 Martha Street, 2457-59 Martha Street, 2105 East Hagert Street, 2106 East Cumberland Street, 2107 East Hagert Street, 2109 East Hagert Street, 2223 Blair Street, 2345 East Cumberland Street for fair market value, all under certain terms and conditions.

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

📄 **Bill No. 110441:** An Ordinance Authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property, on behalf of the City of Philadelphia, to convey to the Philadelphia Authority for Industrial Development, a parcel of land located at 1628 Fitzwater Street, for further conveyance, under certain terms and conditions.

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

📄 **Bill No. 110370:** An Ordinance Adopting an Amendment to Section V of the Articles of Incorporation of the Philadelphia Authority for Industrial Development by increasing the Authority's term of existence to a date fifty years from the date of approval of Articles of Amendment by the Secretary of the Commonwealth, under certain terms and conditions.

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

📄 **Bill No. 100755:** An Ordinance Amending Title 21 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Miscellaneous," by creating a new Chapter 21-1800, entitled "Foster Care," to provide for standards and procedures for approving foster parents and the placement of children in foster care, all under certain terms and conditions.

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

📄 **Bill No. 110304, as amended:** An Ordinance Amending Title 21 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Miscellaneous," by adding a new Chapter requiring the Department of Human Services to report on its compliance with a policy that requires that a summary of children's rights to be free from abuse be communicated to all children who are the subject of an investigation into a credible report of child abuse or who are being placed in another home, foster home, group home, or other facility, under certain terms and conditions.

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

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📄 **Bill No. 110374:** An Ordinance Amending Chapter 9-600 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Service and Other Businesses,” to require tobacco retailers to obtain permits for the retail sale of tobacco products and certain other products containing nicotine, under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS ORDERED PLACED ON NEXT WEEK’S SECOND READING CALENDAR.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

The following persons provided public comment on June 2, 2011:

**Name and Comment Subject**

John Thompson (080474)

Mary Faustina (080474)

Kevin Cattie (080474)

Robin Hynicka (080474)

Judy Merkowsky (080474)

Sulaiman Rahman (080474)

Eric Cheung (110456)

Robert Taylor (110181)

Wesley Gadsden (080474)

See Notes of Testimony for full comment.

**BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS ON FINAL PASSAGE**

📄 **Resolution No. 110450:** Resolution Recognizing and Honoring Mister Mann Frisby for his Accomplishments as a Novelist and his Commitment to Helping Young People Particularly African-American Males Reach their Full Potential.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

📄 **Resolution No. 110451:** Resolution Declaring May, 2011 as Neuro-fibroma-tosis Awareness Month.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

📄 **Resolution No. 110453:** Resolution Approving the annual Program Statement and Budget for the expenditure of the Neighborhood Transformation Initiative (NTI) Bond Proceeds for Fiscal Year 2012.

THE RESOLUTION WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

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☐ **Resolution No. 110454:** Resolution Authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property to execute and deliver to the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Philadelphia, without consideration, deeds conveying conditional fee simple title to certain City-owned lots or pieces of ground with the buildings and improvements thereon, situate in the Thirty-sixth Ward of the City of Philadelphia, pursuant to Chapter 16-400 of The Philadelphia Code and authorizing the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Philadelphia to dispose of such properties for rehabilitation and/or improvement in accordance with the terms of Chapter 16-400 of The Philadelphia Code.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

☐ **Resolution No. 110455:** Resolution Honoring Wendy “Lady-B” Clark, hip-hop pioneer and one of the first female radio personalities to introduce the musical genre of hip-hop, for thirty years of dedication to her art and most importantly, her community.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

☐ **Resolution No. 110456:** Resolution Supporting the Environmental Protection Agency's proposed emission standards for mercury and other air toxins.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

☐ **Resolution No. 110457:** Resolution Authorizing the Committee on Education to hold hearings to gather and investigate an inventory of all services rendered by institutions of higher education in Philadelphia to the School District of Philadelphia.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED & REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

Councilmember DiCicco

moved that Resolution No. 110458 be withdrawn.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

☐ **Resolution No. 110458:** Resolution Authorizing the Committee of the Whole to hold public hearings to review the Zoning Code Proposals of the Zoning Code Commission.

THE RESOLUTION WAS WITHDRAWN.

☐ **Resolution No. 110459:** Resolution Authorizing the Committee of the Whole to hold public hearings to review the Zoning Code Proposals of the Zoning Code Commission.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED & REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

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☐ **Resolution No. 110460:** Resolution Authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property to execute and deliver to the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Philadelphia, without consideration, deeds conveying conditional fee simple title to certain City-owned lots or pieces of ground with the buildings and improvements thereon, situate in the Thirty-ninth Ward of the City of Philadelphia, pursuant to Chapter 16-400 of The Philadelphia Code and authorizing the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Philadelphia to dispose of such properties for rehabilitation and/or improvement in accordance with the terms of Chapter 16-400 of The Philadelphia Code.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

☐ **Resolution No. 110461:** Resolution Approving the redevelopment contract and disposition supplement of the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Philadelphia for the redevelopment and urban renewal of a portion of the Model Cities Urban Renewal Area, designated as Parcel Nos. 699 and 702 and also sometimes identified by house numbers and street addresses for Parcel No. 699 as 1941-1945 Judson street and for Parcel No. 702 as 1937 Judson street; authorizing the Redevelopment Authority to execute the redevelopment contract with Project H.O.M.E. and to take such action as may be necessary to effectuate the redevelopment contract and disposition supplement.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

☐ **Resolution No. 110462:** Resolution Authorizing a request to the Law Department to represent City Council in a lawsuit or lawsuits against the Governor of Pennsylvania and any other appropriate State officials, challenging the legality of the funding for public education in the Commonwealth and particularly in Philadelphia, and seeking to compel the Commonwealth to carry out its constitutional duty to provide for the maintenance and support of a thorough and efficient system of public education; and, if the Law Department declines to render such service to City Council, authorizing the retention of outside counsel to provide such services.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

*The Ayes and Nays were as follows:*

*Ayes: 16 - Councilmembers Blackwell, Clarke, Council President Verna, DiCicco, Goode, Green, Greenlee, Jones, Kenney, Krajewski, Miller, O'Neill, Reynolds Brown, Rizzo, Sanchez and Tasco*

*Nays: 1 - Councilmember Kelly*

DISCUSSION - RESOLUTION NOS. 110403, 110404 AND 110405 - (SEE NOTES OF TESTIMONY)

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📄 **Resolution No. 110403:** Resolution Reappointing Allan Domb to the Board of Directors of the Center City District.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

📄 **Resolution No. 110404:** Resolution Appointing Linda Ann Galante to the Board of Directors of the Center City District.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

📄 **Resolution No. 110405:** Resolution Appointing Jerry Sweeney to the Board of Directors of the Center City District.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

DISCUSSION - RESOLUTION NOS. 110406, 110407, 110408, 110409 AND 110410 - (SEE NOTES OF TESTIMONY).

📄 **Resolution No. 110406:** Resolution Appointing David Campoli to the Board of Directors of the Center City District.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

📄 **Resolution No. 110407:** Resolution Appointing Romona Riscoe Benson to the Board of Directors of the Center City District.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

📄 **Resolution No. 110408:** Resolution Reappointing Edward Goldberg to the Board of Directors of the Center City District.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

📄 **Resolution No. 110409:** Resolution Reappointing John Connors to the Board of Directors of the Center City District.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

📄 **Resolution No. 110410:** Resolution Reappointing Ronald Bowlan to the Board of Directors of the Center City District.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

📄 **Bill No. 080474-AA, as amended:** An Ordinance Enacting a new Chapter 9-3300, entitled "Promoting Healthy Families and Workplaces," to provide that certain employees are entitled to paid sick leave, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS READ.

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COUNCILMEMBER GREENLEE MOVED TO AMEND BILL NO. 080474 (SEE FILE).

COUNCILMEMBER GREENLEE MOVED FOR THE ADOPTION OF THE AMENDMENT.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

THE AMENDMENT TO BILL NO. 080474 WAS ADOPTED.

FURTHER DISCUSSION - BILL NO. 080474 - (SEE NOTES OF TESTIMONY).

📄 **Bill No. 080474-AA, as amended:** An Ordinance Enacting a new Chapter 9-3300, entitled “Promoting Healthy Families and Workplaces,” to provide that certain employees are entitled to paid sick leave, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS AMENDED.

THE BILL WAS ORDERED PLACED ON FINAL PASSAGE CALENDAR FOR NEXT MEETING..

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

📄 **Bill No. 110231:** An Ordinance Authorizing Liberty/Parkway 8th & Walnut, LP (“LPLP”), or its designee, to construct, use and maintain a marquee attached to the proposed building to be located at the southwest corner of 8th and Walnut Streets and projecting over the footways of 8th and Walnut Streets; and authorizing LPLP or its designee to construct, use and maintain an upper linear building and façade encroachment over the south footway of Walnut Street between 8th Street and 9th Street and an upper level linear building and façade encroachment over the west footway of 8th Street between Walnut Street and Locust Street; all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS READ AND PASSED.

*The Ayes and Nays were as follows:*

*Ayes: 17 - Councilmembers Blackwell, Clarke, Council President Verna, DiCicco, Goode, Green, Greenlee, Jones, Kelly, Kenney, Krajewski, Miller, O'Neill, Reynolds Brown, Rizzo, Sanchez and Tasco*

*Nays: 0*

📄 **Bill No. 110181-A, as amended:** An Ordinance Amending Chapter 19-1200 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Parking Tax,” by providing for scheduled reductions in the rate of the tax beginning in Fiscal Year 2012, and by making certain technical amendments, all under certain terms and conditions.




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THE BILL WAS READ.

COUNCILMEMBER KENNEY MOVED TO AMEND BILL NO. 110181 - (SEE FILE).


COUNCILMEMBER KENNEY MOVED FOR THE ADOPTION OF THE AMENDMENT.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

 **Bill No. 110181-A, as amended:** An Ordinance Amending Chapter 19-1200 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Parking Tax," by providing for scheduled reductions in the rate of the tax beginning in Fiscal Year 2012, and by making certain technical amendments, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS AMENDED.

THE BILL WAS ORDERED PLACED ON FINAL PASSAGE CALENDAR FOR NEXT MEETING..


 **Bill No. 100754:** An Ordinance Amending Chapter 19-2600 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Business Privilege Taxes," by providing for exclusions and certifications for hobbies and other not-for-profit activities, under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS READ AND PASSED.

*The Ayes and Nays were as follows:*

*Nays: 0*

*Ayes: 17 - Councilmembers Blackwell, Clarke, Council President Verna, DiCicco, Goode, Green, Greenlee, Jones, Kelly, Kenney, Krajewski, Miller, O'Neill, Reynolds Brown, Rizzo, Sanchez and Tasco*

 **Bill No. 110206:** An Ordinance Amending Section 10-1001 of The Philadelphia Code relating to fees charged by the Commissioner of Records by providing that certain fees imposed for the recording of deeds shall be waived with respect to a deed filed solely for the purpose of removing the name of a deceased spouse or life partner and re-titling the property in the name of the surviving spouse or life partner.

THE BILL WAS READ AND PASSED.

*The Ayes and Nays were as follows:*

*Ayes: 17 - Councilmembers Blackwell, Clarke, Council President Verna, DiCicco, Goode, Green, Greenlee, Jones, Kelly, Kenney, Krajewski, Miller, O'Neill, Reynolds Brown, Rizzo, Sanchez and Tasco*

*Nays: 0*

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📄 **Bill No. 110244:** An Ordinance Amending Section 19-1705 of The Philadelphia Code to increase the amount of interest and penalty on any unpaid money or claim collectible by the Department of Revenue that may be waived by the Revenue Commissioner, under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS READ AND PASSED.

*The Ayes and Nays were as follows:*

*Ayes: 17 - Councilmembers Blackwell, Clarke, Council President Verna, DiCicco, Goode, Green, Greenlee, Jones, Kelly, Kenney, Krajewski, Miller, O'Neill, Reynolds Brown, Rizzo, Sanchez and Tasco*

*Nays: 0*

📄 **Bill No. 110342:** An Ordinance Authorizing the Director of Commerce to enter into an Extension of the Use and Lease Agreements between the City of Philadelphia and each of the airlines servicing Philadelphia International Airport, under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS READ AND PASSED.

*The Ayes and Nays were as follows:*

*Ayes: 17 - Councilmembers Blackwell, Clarke, Council President Verna, DiCicco, Goode, Green, Greenlee, Jones, Kelly, Kenney, Krajewski, Miller, O'Neill, Reynolds Brown, Rizzo, Sanchez and Tasco*

*Nays: 0*

📄 **Bill No. 110343:** An Ordinance Approving the Fiscal Year 2012 Capital Budget providing for expenditures for the capital purposes of the Philadelphia Gas Works (including the supplying of funds in connection therewith) subject to certain constraints and conditions, and acknowledging receipt of the Forecast of Capital Budgets for Fiscal Years 2013 through 2017.

THE BILL WAS READ AND PASSED.

*The Ayes and Nays were as follows:*

*Ayes: 17 - Councilmembers Blackwell, Clarke, Council President Verna, DiCicco, Goode, Green, Greenlee, Jones, Kelly, Kenney, Krajewski, Miller, O'Neill, Reynolds Brown, Rizzo, Sanchez and Tasco*

*Nays: 0*

**SPEECHES**

COUNCILMEMBER GREENLEE, BLACKWELL, DICICCO AND JONES - (SEE NOTES OF TESTIMONY).

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COUNCILMEMBER CLARKE MOVED TO ADJOURN

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.