

**City of Philadelphia**  
**City Council Calendar**  
**Thursday, March 19, 2026**

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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/>

**ABOUT PUBLIC COMMENT:** City Council receives public comment on bills and resolutions that are printed on this agenda for the meeting. Speakers will have up to three minutes to speak; please prepare your comments to fit within that time limit. The Council President, may, depending on circumstances, establish a lower time limit. The Council President will announce the applicable time limit at the beginning of the public comment portion of the agenda. The Council President may also limit repetitious comments on the same agenda item or defer comments to the next meeting of Council.

**HOW TO SIGN UP FOR PUBLIC COMMENT:** Speakers for public comment can sign up in advance, submit comments electronically, or sign up to speak the day of the meeting.

To sign up in advance, speakers may call 215-686-3406 or email [chiefclerk@phila.gov](mailto:chiefclerk@phila.gov) by no later than 3 p.m. the day before the meeting. Speakers who sign up in advance will be added to the list. Speakers must provide the following information:

- Full name (including proper pronunciation and spelling)
- The bill number or resolution number that will be addressed
- Whether you support or oppose that particular bill or resolution
- Telephone number where you can be reached
- Street address

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**\*If you require an accommodation or service to fully participate, please let the Chief Clerk's Office know when signing up for Public Comment.**

**\*If you need an interpreter for these events, please call or email the Chief Clerk's office for information about our language services.**

**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****260218****INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Gauthier

Resolution also naming the 6200 Block of Osage Avenue “Gerald Wayne Renfrow Way” to honor the life, leadership, and enduring legacy of Gerald Wayne Renfrow in the Osage Avenue and Pine Street community.

**260219****INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Gauthier

Resolution authorizing Councilmember Gauthier to intervene, on behalf of and as representative of City Council, in the appeal against the Zoning Board of Adjustment with respect to 4283 Viola Street.

**BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS ON SECOND READING AND FINAL PASSAGE****250329-A****INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember O'Rourke

An Ordinance amending Chapter 9-3900 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Property Licenses and Owner Accountability,” to clarify licensing requirements, authorize the Department to create a Proactive Inspection program, require public reporting related to Code compliance, and establish remedies, damages, and protections for tenants, all under certain terms and conditions.

**250330-A****INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember O'Rourke

An Ordinance amending Chapter 9-800 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Landlord and Tenant,” to modify the requirements related to good cause for ending a tenancy, add protections against retaliation and harassment for tenants and tenant organizations, specify tenants’ rights related to the implied warranty of habitability and provide a legal presumption related to breaches of the implied warranty of habitability, create a tenant right to organize, specify deadlines for asserting claims, and establish and enhance enforcement mechanisms, remedies, damages, and protections, all under certain terms and conditions.

**250768****INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Gauthier

An Ordinance amending Title 17 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Contracts and Procurement,” to prohibit contractors providing solid waste, recycling or composting services to the City from incinerating discarded matter, under certain terms and conditions.

**250807****INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Squilla

An Ordinance authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property to acquire, on behalf of the City, fee simple title or a lesser interest, by purchase, dedication, donation, condemnation, agreement in lieu of condemnation or otherwise, for the purpose of making, enlarging, connecting, extending, operating, and maintaining public parks for recreational use, certain parcels of land, generally bounded and located between Vine Street, Fairmount Avenue, 8th Street and 12th Street, together with all improvements thereon and all associated easements and appurtenances; and to lease the property, or a portion thereof, to the Center City District; all under certain terms and conditions.

**250843-AA****INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Squilla for Council President Johnson

An Ordinance amending Chapter 10-700 of the Philadelphia Code, entitled “Refuse and Littering,” to require locking dumpsters; all under certain terms and conditions.

**250980-A****INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Phillips

An Ordinance amending Chapter 9-3900 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Property Licenses and Owner Accountability,” by requiring non-resident landlords to provide verifiable contact information and a designated local contact and establishing penalties for non-compliance, all under certain terms and conditions.

**251025****INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Driscoll

An Ordinance regulating the direction of movement of traffic on Ryan Avenue between Leon Street and Frankford Avenue.

**260021****INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Gilmore Richardson

An Ordinance amending Chapter 19-1700 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Finance, Taxes, and Collections,” to amend excluded transactions to the realty transfer tax, all under certain terms and conditions.

**260022****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 Main Street, Ridge Avenue, the Wissahickon Creek, Kelly Drive, Falls Road, the Schuylkill River, and Dawson Street extended.

**260055****INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Thomas for Councilmember Gauthier

An Ordinance amending Title 14 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Zoning and Planning” by revising and clarifying certain provisions and making technical changes to text that has expired, all under certain terms and conditions.

**260073****INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Young for Council President Johnson

An Ordinance amending Section 9-208 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Sidewalk Cafés,” and Section A-301.1.5 of Title 4, Subcode “A” (“The Philadelphia Administrative Code”) of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Zoning and Use Registration Permits,” by removing expired provisions related to outdoor entertainment at sidewalk cafés, under certain terms and conditions.

**260074****INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Driscoll

An Ordinance to amend Title 14 of The Philadelphia Code by adding Section 14-546 entitled /SIX, Sixth District Overlay District, revise Section 14-515, the /NE, Northeast Overlay District, remove Section 14-523, the /IMA, Industrial and Manufacturing Area Overlay District, and make other related changes, all under certain terms and conditions.