

City of Philadelphia
City Council Calendar
Thursday, December 12, 2024

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**240724****INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Bass

Resolution calling upon the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to strengthen enforcement against illegal activity in merchants that impact neighborhoods throughout the City of Philadelphia.

240834**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Thomas

Resolution proposing an amendment to the Philadelphia Home Rule Charter to provide for the creation of the Philadelphia Prison Community Oversight Board and the Office of Prison Oversight and providing for the submission of the amendment to the electors of Philadelphia.

241097**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Bass

Resolution honoring the Simon Gratz High School Football Team for winning the 2024 Public League Championship and celebrating their resilience and excellence.

241098**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Bass

Resolution honoring Central High School for Winning the 2024 PIAA District 12 AAA Team Title for the fourth consecutive year and celebrating their impressive sweep of team, singles, and doubles championships.

241099**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Bass

Resolution honoring Imhotep Charter High School for winning the 2024 Public League 6A and PIAA District 7 Football Championships and celebrating their legacy of excellence.

240888**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Jones

Resolution appointing Rick Carrion to the Board of Directors of the City Avenue Special Services District.

240889**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Jones

Resolution reappointing Howard Wurzak to the Board of Directors of the City Avenue Special Services District.

240986**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Jones

Resolution appointing Gary Brandeis to the Board of Directors of the City Avenue Special Services District of Philadelphia and Lower Merion.

241117**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Jones

Resolution honoring and congratulating Crystal Tann, a beloved colleague and employee, for her tenure as a valued staff member in the office of Councilmember Curtis Jones Jr., upon her retirement.

241120**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Young for Council President Johnson

Resolution thanking Governor Josh Shapiro for flexing \$153 million in federal highway funds to SEPTA.

241121**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Young

Resolution calling on the Department of Licenses and Inspections to halt any potential demolition plans to the iconic Joe Frazier's Gym on North Broad Street; and calling on the City of Philadelphia, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the Preservation Alliance for Greater Philadelphia, and all other associated parties to identify alternative uses for Joe Frazier's Gym.

241122**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Young

Resolution thanking SEPTA for expanding its high fare gate pilot program to combat fare evasion by installing 100 full length fare gates at nine SEPTA stations across the City of Philadelphia.

241123**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Brooks for Council President Johnson

Resolution calling on the Pennsylvania Attorney General to investigate building code requirements affecting community-based housing and to provide strategies to ensure equitable, inclusive, and accessible housing for people with disabilities.

241125**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember O'Rourke for Council President Johnson

Resolution urging Pennsylvania State Senate Republicans and Senate Democrats to write and pass bipartisan legislation that will provide necessary funding for SEPTA.

241126**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Driscoll for Council President Johnson

Resolution approving the re-appointment of Debra McCarty to the Philadelphia Water, Sewer and Storm Water Rate Board.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS ON SECOND READING AND FINAL PASSAGE**240963****INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Squilla for Council President Johnson

An Ordinance amending the existing Gallery at Market East Tax Increment Financing District, being the area generally bounded by Filbert Street on the north, 8th Street on the east, 11th Street on the west, and Market Street on the south, to remove certain portions of such property generally bounded by Filbert Street on the north, 10th Street on the east, 11th Street on the west, and Market Street on the south from such District, and approving the amended project plan of the Philadelphia Authority for Industrial Development for the redevelopment of the Gallery at Market East Tax Increment Financing District and making certain findings and declarations, all in accordance with the Tax Increment Financing Act, being the Act of July 11, 1990, P.L. 465, No. 113, as amended, and authorizing the Director of Finance and other offices of the City to execute documents and do all things necessary to carry out the intent of this Ordinance.

240964**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Squilla for Council President Johnson

An Ordinance authorizing the City of Philadelphia to organize an authority to be known as The Arena Services District Authority, pursuant to the terms of the Pennsylvania Municipality Authorities Act, all under certain terms and conditions.

240427**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Young

An Ordinance amending Section 14-305 of the Philadelphia Code entitled “Nonconformities,” by providing further provisions on changes from non-conforming uses; all under certain terms and conditions.

240612**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmembers Squilla and Lozada

An Ordinance continuing the Fishtown Kensington Area Business Improvement District (“District”), in the area that generally includes both sides of Frankford Avenue from the west side of Delaware Avenue to the southwest side of Lehigh Avenue, both sides of North Front Street from the north side of Poplar Street to the south side of Diamond Street, both sides of East Girard Avenue from Frankford Avenue continuing to the west side of East Berks Street, the north side of West Girard Avenue from Frankford Avenue to North 2nd Street, and the south side of West Girard Avenue from Frankford Avenue to Howard Street, and certain blocks of streets that intersect portions of these streets; approving an extension of the boundaries of the District to include North Front Street from Montgomery Street to Diamond Street, East Girard Avenue from East Fletcher Street to East Berks Street, and the north side of West Girard Avenue from Front Street to North 2nd Street; continuing the Fishtown Kensington Area Business Improvement District, Inc., a Pennsylvania non-profit corporation, as the neighborhood improvement district management association for the District; approving a plan for and report concerning the District; authorizing the Director of Commerce, on behalf of the City, to execute an agreement with the Fishtown Kensington Area Business Improvement District, Inc. relating to the District; and re-authorizing the Fishtown Kensington Area 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.

240871**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Phillips

An Ordinance to amend the Philadelphia Zoning Maps by changing the zoning designations of certain areas of land located within an area bounded by Broad Street, Medary Avenue, Park Avenue and Godfrey Avenue.

241054**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Phillips

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.

241055**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Gilmore Richardson for Council President Johnson

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.

241058**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Lozada

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.

241059**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Young

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

241062**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Squilla

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.

240817**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Thomas

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 relating to the creation of the Philadelphia Prison Community Oversight Board; and authorizing the appropriate officers to publish notice and to make arrangements for the special election; all under certain terms and conditions.

241022**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Gilmore Richardson for Council President Johnson

An Ordinance authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property, on behalf of the City of Philadelphia, to enter into a lease agreement with 2401 Walnut LP, for use by the City of a portion of the premises located at 2401 Walnut Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, under certain terms and conditions.

241023**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Gilmore Richardson for Council President Johnson

An Ordinance authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property, on behalf of the City of Philadelphia, to enter into a lease agreement with AC HSS Office Ventures II, LLC, for use by the City, of a portion of the premises located at 1930 South Broad Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19145, under certain terms and conditions.

241025**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Gauthier

An Ordinance authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property, on behalf of the City of Philadelphia, to convey to the Philadelphia Housing Authority, all or part of a parcel or parcels of land containing approximately 23,595 square feet, located in and about the area bounded by Market Street, 39th Street, Ludlow Street and 40th Street, under certain terms and conditions.

241029**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Gauthier

An Ordinance authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property, on behalf of the City, 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 certain parcels of land located along the west bank of the Schuylkill River in and around an area generally bounded by South 58th Street, as extended to the bulkhead line of the west bank of the Schuylkill River; South 61st Street; and West Passyunk Avenue for public park, recreation, and transportation purposes under certain terms and conditions.

241031**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Bass for Councilmember Squilla

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 1 S. Broad Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, under certain terms and conditions.

241050**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Lozada for Council President Johnson

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.

241051**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Young

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.

241052**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Young

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.

241053**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Young

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.

241061**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember O'Neill

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.

241063**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Squilla

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.

240304

INTRODUCED BY: Councilmembers Young, Squilla and Harrity

An Ordinance amending Subcode “A” (The Philadelphia Administrative Code) of Title 4 of The Philadelphia Code (The Building, Construction and Occupancy Code), to require proof of certain insurance certificates; all under certain terms and conditions.

240430

INTRODUCED BY: Councilmember Driscoll for Council President Johnson

An Ordinance amending various provisions of The Philadelphia Code to authorize revisions of various fees by regulation, including license and permit fees under Subcode “A” (The Philadelphia Administrative Code); license fees for food establishments under Title 6 (Health Code); license and permits under Title 9 (Regulation of Businesses, Trades and Professions); license under Section 10-722 (Use of Dumpsters); license under Section 11-610 (Construction Equipment); and license under Chapter 19-600 (Amusement Tax); all under certain terms and conditions.

240665

INTRODUCED BY: Councilmember Lozada

An Ordinance amending Title 10 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Regulation of Individual Conduct and Activity,” by adding a new chapter concerning vehicular mobile service providers, and providing for penalties, all under certain terms and conditions.

240932

INTRODUCED BY: Councilmember Gilmore Richardson for Councilmember Squilla

An Ordinance amending Chapter 9-4100 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Promoting Healthy Families and Workplaces,” to modify the manner in which certain leave benefits are administered during a pandemic or epidemic, and making technical changes, all under certain terms and conditions.

RESOLUTIONS**RESOLUTIONS****241133**

INTRODUCED BY: Councilmember Phillips

Resolution recognizing January 2025 as National Mentoring Month and honoring the contributions of Philadelphia’s mentoring organizations.

241135

INTRODUCED BY: Councilmembers Gilmore Richardson, Gauthier, Lozada, Young, O'Rourke, Driscoll and Squilla

Resolution WHEREAS, The Philadelphia City Council traditionally recognizes significant contributions to our community, Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Incorporated is one such contributor and prepares to celebrate its 111th Founders' Day on January 9, 2025; and

241136

INTRODUCED BY: Councilmember Gilmore Richardson

Resolution recognizing, honoring and congratulating Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated on its 105th Founders' Day.

241138

INTRODUCED BY: Councilmember Thomas

Resolution honoring the life and legacy of Isabella "Izzy" Fitzgerald, a lifelong advocate and former State Representative in the 203rd House District of Pennsylvania

241139

INTRODUCED BY: Councilmember Jones

Resolution honoring and Recognizing Officer Bernard "Bernie" Turner, Badge #4544, for his exemplary service in light of his retirement from the Philadelphia Police Department.

241140

INTRODUCED BY: Councilmember Council President Johnson

Resolution honoring the extraordinary legacy and groundbreaking achievements of Richard Anthony "Dick" Allen, a Philadelphia Phillies legend and trailblazing African American baseball player, as he receives his long-overdue induction into the National Baseball Hall of Fame, Class of 2025.

241141

INTRODUCED BY: Councilmember O'Rourke

Resolution recognizing November 2024 as "American Diabetes Month" in support of those battling the disease and acknowledging the structural conditions that lead to disparities in affected populations and available care.