

City of Philadelphia



Council of the City of Philadelphia
Office of the Chief Clerk
Room 402, City Hall
Philadelphia

(Resolution No. 071095)

RESOLUTION

Calling upon the City Controller to audit annually the affairs of certain “quasi-public” agencies.

WHEREAS, The City has increasingly relied on various “quasi-public” agencies to carry out powers and duties that otherwise would be performed by City agencies; and

WHEREAS, The increasing use of “quasi-public” agencies raises issues of accountability and transparency; and

WHEREAS, In response to those concerns, the voters in November 2003 approved an amendment to Section 6-400 of the Philadelphia Home Rule Charter to expand the ability of the City Controller to audit “quasi-public” agencies. In particular, the Charter now requires City contracts with such agencies to include a provision granting the Controller the discretion to audit the affairs of the agency during the term of the contract. For purposes of that provision, “agency” is defined as “any entity which: (1) receives funds from the City, and either (2) is created by, or whose board of directors is in whole or part appointed by, one or more City officials or bodies; or (3) that is organized pursuant to legal authority granted to it by City ordinance”; and

WHEREAS, It is imperative that the Controller exercise this newly-granted authority on a regular basis to carry out the intent of the voters; now, therefore,

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA,

THAT The Council calls upon the City Controller to audit annually the affairs of all “quasi-public” agencies that the City Controller has power to audit.

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RESOLUTION NO. 071095 continued

CERTIFICATION: This is a true and correct copy of the original Resolution, Adopted by the Council of the City of Philadelphia on the twenty-ninth of November, 2007.

Anna C. Verna
PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

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CHIEF CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Introduced by: Councilmember Campbell

Sponsored by: Councilmembers Campbell, Greenlee, Goode, Savage, Rizzo, Reynolds Brown, Council President Verna, Councilmembers Miller, Ramos, Tasco, Krajewski, Kenney, Blackwell and DiCicco