



Thursday, September 17, 2015

PRESENT: 15 - Councilmembers Council President Clarke, Squilla, Johnson, Blackwell, Jones, Henon, Quiñones Sánchez, Bass, Tasco, O'Neill, Reynolds Brown, Greenlee, Goode, Oh and O'Brien

Council met, a quorum being present.

Reverend Darrell Bradsberry of The Second Baptist Church was introduced and offered an appropriate prayer.

COMMUNICATIONS

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

- Transmitting a bill approving the redevelopment contract of the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority for the redevelopment and urban renewal of a portion of the Mantua Urban Renewal Area, identified by house number and street address as 3509 Haverford avenue including 3502 Mount Vernon street; and authorizing the Redevelopment Authority to execute the redevelopment contract with Westview Development Partners, LLC 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 Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority. (File No. 150717)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

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

- Bill No. 150705:** An Ordinance To amend the Philadelphia Zoning Maps by changing the zoning designations of certain areas of land located within an area bounded by Ludlow Street, Farragut Street, 46th Street, Haverford Avenue, and 40th Street.

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THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES.

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

- 📄 **Resolution No. 150709:** Resolution Approving the redevelopment contract of the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority for the redevelopment and urban renewal of a portion of the Mantua Urban Renewal Area, identified by house number and street address as 3509 Haverford avenue including 3502 Mount Vernon street; and authorizing the Redevelopment Authority to execute the redevelopment contract with Westview Development Partners, LLC and to take such action as may be necessary to effectuate the redevelopment contract.

Councilmember Greenlee Introduced and Referred the following Bill for Councilmember Council President Clarke, Sponsored by Councilmember Greenlee:

- 📄 **Bill No. 150706:** An Ordinance Authorizing the paving of Bucknell Street from Oxford Street to Jefferson Street, Twenty-Third Street from Oxford Street to Jefferson Street, and Bolton Street from Croskey Street to Twenty-Third Street, under certain terms and conditions.

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

Councilmember Quiñones Sánchez Introduced and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmember Quiñones Sánchez:

- 📄 **Bill No. 150707:** An Ordinance Authorizing the construction of a sewer and appurtenant work in a proposed right-of way, required to alleviate unsanitary conditions in portions of Waterloo Street and West Hewston Street.

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

Councilmember Reynolds Brown Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmembers Reynolds Brown and Quiñones Sánchez:

- 📄 **Resolution No. 150710:** Resolution Authorizing Philadelphia City Council's Committee on Labor and Civil Service to conduct public hearings to examine Philadelphia's Civil Service "Rule of Two".

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

- 📄 **Resolution No. 150711:** Resolution Recognizing and honoring Sustainable

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Philadelphia Alliance of Regional Campuses (SPARC) for its commitment to a Greener Philadelphia

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

- 📄 **Resolution No. 150712:** Resolution Urging the Pennsylvania delegation to the United States Senate to oppose any attempt to limit the ability of States to require labeling of GMO foods.

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

- 📄 **Resolution No. 150713:** Resolution Declaring September 19th *It Can Wait Day* in Philadelphia to bring attention to the dangers of distracted driving and the use of smartphones while behind the wheel and requesting everyone to take the *It Can Wait* Pledge.

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

- 📄 **Resolution No. 150714:** Resolution Authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property to execute and deliver to the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority, 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-fifth, Thirty-first and Forty-fifth Wards of the City of Philadelphia, pursuant to Chapter 16-400 of The Philadelphia Code and authorizing the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority to dispose of such properties for rehabilitation and/or improvements in accordance with the terms of Chapter 16-400 of The Philadelphia Code.

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

Bill No. 150708: An Ordinance Creating the Philadelphia Commission on The Music Industry.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON GLOBAL OPPORTUNITIES & CREATIVE/INNOVATIVE ECONOMY.

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

Resolution No. 150716: Resolution Declaring 2016 as the “Year to Combat The Heroin Abuse Epidemic” in Philadelphia to acknowledge the serious effects heroin abuse is having in our communities and recognize the epidemic as an urgent local health priority.

CONSIDERATION OF THE CALENDAR

PUBLIC COMMENT

The following persons provided public comment on September 17, 2015:

Name and Comment Subject

There were no Comments offered on September 17, 2015

See Notes of Testimony for full comment.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS ON FINAL PASSAGE

Resolution No. 150673: Resolution Authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property to execute and deliver to the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority, 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 Sixth Ward of the City of Philadelphia, pursuant to Chapter 16-400 of The Philadelphia Code and authorizing the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority to dispose of such properties for rehabilitation and/or improvements in accordance with the terms of Chapter 16-400 of The Philadelphia Code.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

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☐ **Resolution No. 150676:** Resolution Approving the redevelopment contract of the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority for the redevelopment and urban renewal of a portion of the Model Cities Urban Renewal Area, identified by house number and street address as 1513 Brown street; and authorizing the Redevelopment Authority to execute the redevelopment contract with 1511-1515 Brown Street LLC and to take such action as may be necessary to effectuate the redevelopment contract.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

☐ **Resolution No. 150677:** Resolution Authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property to execute and deliver to the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority, 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 & Thirty-seventh Wards of the City of Philadelphia, pursuant to Chapter 16-400 of The Philadelphia Code and authorizing the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority to dispose of such properties for rehabilitation and/or improvements in accordance with the terms of Chapter 16-400 of The Philadelphia Code.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

☐ **Resolution No. 150680:** Resolution Authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property to execute and deliver to the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority, 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 Ward of the City of Philadelphia, pursuant to Chapter 16-400 of The Philadelphia Code and authorizing the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority to dispose of such properties for rehabilitation and/or improvements in accordance with the terms of Chapter 16-400 of The Philadelphia Code.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

☐ **Bill No. 150496-A, as amended:** An Ordinance Authorizing the revision of lines and grades on a portion of City Plan No. 58 by striking from the City Plan and vacating Melon Street from Park Avenue to Ridge Avenue and striking from the City Plan and abandoning a portion of a right-of-way reserved for drainage purposes and water main purposes in the bed of former Potts Street from Thirteenth Street to Broad Street, south of Fairmount Avenue, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS READ.

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COUNCILMEMBER GREENLEE MOVED TO AMEND BILL NO. 150496 (SEE FILE).

COUNCILMEMBER GREENLEE MOVED FOR THE ADOPTION OF THE AMENDMENT.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

THE AMENDMENT TO BILL NO. 150496 WAS ADOPTED.

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THE BILL WAS AMENDED.

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

- 📄 **Bill No. 150439-A:** An Ordinance Amending Section 9-206 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Sidewalk Vendors in Neighborhood Business Districts,” by creating the Woodland Avenue Business District for Sidewalk Vending; and establishing special provisions for licensing vendors in certain Business Districts; all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS READ AND PASSED.

The Ayes and Nays were as follows:

Nays: 0

Ayes: 15 - Councilmembers Council President Clarke, Squilla, Johnson, Blackwell, Jones, Henon, Quiñones Sánchez, Bass, Tasco, O'Neill, Reynolds Brown, Greenlee, Goode, Oh and O'Brien

- 📄 **Resolution No. 150710:** Resolution Authorizing Philadelphia City Council's Committee on Labor and Civil Service to conduct public hearings to examine Philadelphia's Civil Service “Rule of Two”.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED & REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND CIVIL SERVICE.

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BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS ON SECOND READING AND FINAL PASSAGE

📄 **Bill No. 140519-A, as amended:** An Ordinance Amending Title 14 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Zoning and Planning,” by amending Section 14-502 to further provide for requirements within the Center City Overlay District and to make technical changes, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS READ.

COUNCILMEMBER SQUILLA MOVED TO AMEND BILL NO. 140519 (SEE FILE).

COUNCILMEMBER SQUILLA MOVED FOR THE ADOPTION OF THE AMENDMENT.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

THE AMENDMENT TO BILL NO. 140519 WAS ADOPTED.

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THE BILL WAS AMENDED.

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

SPEECHES

COUNCILMEMBER OH, JONES, JOHNSON, SQUILLA, HENON AND GOODE - (SEE NOTES OF TESTIMONY).

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COUNCILMEMBER REYNOLDS BROWN MOVED TO ADJOURN

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.