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**Thursday, September 14, 2017**

COUNCIL SESSION INFORMATION IN PROGRESS

PRESENT: 17 - Councilmembers Council President Clarke, Squilla, Johnson, Blackwell, Jones, Henon, Quiñones Sánchez, Bass, Parker, O'Neill, Domb, Green, Greenlee, Gym, Oh, Reynolds Brown and Taubenberger

Council met, a quorum being present.

Sister Ann Provost of The Sisters of Mrcy was introduced and offered an appropriate prayer.

COUNCILMEMBER GREENLEE MOVED TO APPROVE THE JOURNAL

of the meeting of June 22, 2017.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

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

**INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS**

Councilmember Reynolds Brown Introduced and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmember Reynolds Brown:

📄 **Bill No. 170712:** An Ordinance Amending Title 21 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Miscellaneous,” by adding a new Chapter 21-3000, entitled “Environmental Justice Reporting,” to establish standards for studying and reporting on environmental justice, under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON THE ENVIRONMENT.

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

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- ☐ **Resolution No. 170727:** Resolution Recognizing National Drive Electric Week 2017 in the City of Philadelphia.

Councilmember Reynolds Brown Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmembers Reynolds Brown, Green, Squilla, Henon, Domb, Parker and Taubenberger:

- ☐ **Resolution No. 170728:** Resolution Encouraging Amazon to choose the City of Philadelphia as the future home of HQ2.

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

- ☐ **Resolution No. 170729:** Resolution Calling for the City Council Committee on Streets and Services to hold hearings investigating the feasibility of opening the outer lanes of the Benjamin Franklin Parkway to install more flags and increase the number of countries that are represented.

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

- ☐ **Resolution No. 170730:** 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 building and improvements thereon, situate in the Forty-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.

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

- ☐ **Resolution No. 170731:** 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 building and improvements thereon, situate in the Twenty-Seventh 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.

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

- ☐ **Resolution No. 170732:** 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 building and improvements thereon, situate in the Fifty-First 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.

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

- ☐ **Resolution No. 170733:** 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 building 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.

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

- ☐ **Resolution No. 170734:** Resolution Expressing support for House Bill 922 and Senate Bill 1156 currently pending in the United States Congress, with the hope that such legislation will be able to increase private investment in the rehabilitation of public school buildings for the benefit of Philadelphia children.

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

- ☐ **Resolution No. 170735:** Resolution Calling on the United States Congress to fight hunger in Philadelphia by opposing any efforts to block grants, reduce funding, or structurally change the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), and oppose efforts to cut other federally funded nutrition programs.

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

- 📄 **Bill No. 170713:** An Ordinance Authorizing 2601 Pennsylvania Avenue Condo Association, (“Owner”) to install, own and maintain a sign encroachment at 2601 Pennsylvania Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19130 (“Property”), under certain terms and conditions.

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

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

- 📄 **Bill No. 170714:** An Ordinance Amending Chapter 16-600 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Redevelopment Proposals and Contracts,” by further providing with respect to requirements for Council's approval of redevelopment proposals and redevelopment contracts submitted to Council for approval under the provisions of the Urban Redevelopment Law, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES.

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

- 📄 **Resolution No. 170736:** Resolution Authorizing the Philadelphia Land Bank to dispose of certain properties located in the Fifth Councilmanic District in accordance with the terms of Chapter 16-700 of The Philadelphia Code.

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

- 📄 **Resolution No. 170737:** Resolution Authorizing the Philadelphia Land Bank to dispose of certain properties located in the Fifth Councilmanic District in accordance with the terms of Chapter 16-700 of The Philadelphia Code.

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

- 📄 **Resolution No. 170738:** Resolution Authorizing an agreement between the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority (the "PRA") and the City for the PRA to act as the City's agent for the redevelopment of 400 N. Broad Street and 1501 N.

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

- ☐ **Resolution No. 170739:** Resolution Authorizing the Philadelphia Land Bank to dispose of certain properties located in the Fifth Councilmanic District in accordance with the terms of Chapter 16-700 of The Philadelphia Code.

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

- ☐ **Bill No. 170715:** An Ordinance Amending Chapter 10-700 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Refuse and Littering," by further amending Section 10-719, entitled "Penalties," to conform with legislation recently enacted by the General Assembly, all under certain terms and conditions.

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

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

- ☐ **Resolution No. 170740:** Resolution Honoring the 230th Anniversary of the signing of the United States Constitution and recognizing September 17th as Constitution Day in the City of Philadelphia.

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

- ☐ **Bill No. 170716:** 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 operating budget and providing for a mandatory minimum annual appropriation to the Police Advisory Commission or any successor body or bodies; and authorizing the appropriate officers to publish notice and to make arrangements for the special election; all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON LAW AND GOVERNMENT.

Councilmember Jones Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmembers Jones, Green, Oh, Greenlee, Reynolds Brown, Parker, Squilla and Taubenberger:

- ☐ **Resolution No. 170741:** Resolution Recognizing and honoring the Philadelphia Soul Football Team for winning their third Arena Bowl Championship title over the Tampa Bay Storm on August 26, 2017.

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Councilmember Jones Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmembers Jones, Green, Oh, Greenlee, Reynolds Brown, Parker, Squilla and Taubenberger:

- ☐ **Resolution No. 170742:** Resolution Supporting the National Minority Business Development Agency and recognizing October 2 through October 6, 2017 as Philadelphia Minority Enterprise Development (MED) Week, which provides critical information, resources, opportunities and inspiration to the minority business community.

Councilmember Jones Introduced and Referred the following Resolution for Councilmember Council President Clarke, Sponsored by Councilmember Jones:

- ☐ **Resolution No. 170743:** Resolution Proposing an amendment to the Philadelphia Home Rule Charter relating to the operating budget and providing for a mandatory minimum annual appropriation to the Police Advisory Commission or any successor body or bodies; and providing for the submission of the amendment to the electors of Philadelphia.

THE RESOLUTION WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON LAW AND GOVERNMENT.

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

- ☐ **Resolution No. 170744:** 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 Thirty-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.

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

- ☐ **Resolution No. 170745:** Resolution Also naming Tasker Street, between South 20th Street and South 21st Street, "James A. Lovett II Way", in honor and recognition of his ongoing leadership of the Tasker Street Baptist Church and his service to the surrounding community and the City of Philadelphia.

Councilmember Johnson Introduced and Ordered Placed On Next Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution for Councilmember Council President Clarke, Sponsored

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by Councilmember Johnson:

- 📄 **Resolution No. 170746:** Resolution Approving the appointment of Rasheia Johnson to the Philadelphia Water, Sewer and Storm Water Rate Board.

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

- 📄 **Bill No. 170717:** An Ordinance Amending Chapter 19-4200 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “New Sustainable Businesses,” to expand the tax relief offered to such businesses, and to make technical corrections, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Councilmember Quiñones Sánchez Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmembers Quiñones Sánchez, Oh, Taubenberger, Squilla, Gym and Green:

- 📄 **Resolution No. 170747:** Resolution Recognizing and honoring the 207th Anniversary of Mexico's Independence Day.

Councilmember Quiñones Sánchez Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmembers Quiñones Sánchez, Oh, Taubenberger, Squilla, Gym and Green:

- 📄 **Resolution No. 170748:** Resolution Declaring September 15, 2017 through October 15, 2017 as Hispanic Heritage Month here in the City of Philadelphia to honor the role that Hispanics have played and continue to play in the economic, cultural and social development of our City and nation.

Councilmember Quiñones Sánchez Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar - Rules Suspended the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmember Quiñones Sánchez:

- 📄 **Resolution No. 170749:** Resolution Requesting the Mayor to return to Council Bill No. 170595: "An Ordinance regulating the direction of movement of traffic on Westmoreland Street between Lawrence Street to 5th Street," for the purpose of reconsideration by the Council of the vote by which said bill passed Council.

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

- 📄 **Resolution No. 170750:** Resolution Authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property to execute and deliver to the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority,

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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.

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

- 📄 **Resolution No. 170751:** Resolution Honoring and recognizing The Consortium, Inc. on the 50th anniversary of its founding.

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

- 📄 **Bill No. 170718:** An Ordinance Amending Chapter 12-3000 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Use Of An Automated Red Light Enforcement System To Prevent Red Light Violations," by authorizing the installation of red light enforcement systems at the intersection of Rising Sun Avenue and Levick Street, all under certain terms and conditions.

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

Councilmember Parker Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar - Rules Suspended the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmembers Parker, Council President Clarke, Greenlee, Reynolds Brown, Gym, Johnson and Squilla:

- 📄 **Resolution No. 170752:** Resolution Adding the Honorable Shirley M. Kitchen to the street signs on the block intersections of the 5000 block of North 13th Street between West Ruscomb Street and Lindley Avenue in recognition of Senator Kitchen's tremendous service and contributions to the City of Philadelphia.

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

- 📄 **Bill No. 170719:** An Ordinance Amending Title 21 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Miscellaneous," by changing the rules for requesting the preparation of Fiscal Impact Statements and final adoption of bills; all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.



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Councilmember Domb Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmembers Domb, Henon, Parker, Reynolds Brown, Squilla and Oh:

- ☐ **Resolution No. 170753:** Resolution Acknowledging and recognizing The Philadelphia Music & Arts Festival, “Philly Music Fest”, an event that highlights the food, beer and arts of Philadelphia, taking place September 22nd through September 23rd at World Cafe Live Philadelphia.

Councilmember Domb Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmembers Domb, Henon, Parker, Reynolds Brown, Johnson and Greenlee:

- ☐ **Resolution No. 170754:** Resolution Honoring and remembering the late Darren “Dutch” Daulton, catcher for the Philadelphia Phillies, who passed away Sunday, August 6, 2017 at the age of 55 after a four-year battle with brain cancer.

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

- ☐ **Resolution No. 170755:** Resolution Honoring and congratulating the winners of the Philadelphia Magazine's Best of Philly 2017.

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

- ☐ **Resolution No. 170756:** Resolution Recognizing and honoring Steve Goodman, known as the “fairy godfather of Philadelphia startups” for his hard work and dedication to countless Philadelphia startups and to the Philadelphia tech community.

Councilmember Taubenberger Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmembers Taubenberger, Council President Clarke, Green, Reynolds Brown and Henon:

- ☐ **Resolution No. 170757:** Resolution Recognizing and honoring Art-Reach for the premiere of their original documentary film, *I Am* which highlights the groundbreaking partnership between the Pennsylvania Ballet and the students of Saint Katherine Day School,

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

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☐ **Bill No. 170720:** An Ordinance Authorizing the plotting upon City Plan Nos. 146 and 271 of two rights-of-way for sewer and drainage purposes and the striking from said City Plans and abandoning of all or portions of four other rights-of-way for various utility purposes, all lying within the area southeast of Delaware Avenue and northeast of Ellen Street, and authorizing acceptance of the grant to the City of the said rights-of-way being plotted, all under certain terms and conditions.

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

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

☐ **Bill No. 170721:** An Ordinance Amending Title 14 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Zoning and Planning,” by revising requirements for accessory signs, located within the area bounded by Juniper Street, East Passyunk Avenue and Mifflin Street, under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES.

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

☐ **Bill No. 170722:** An Ordinance Amending Section 9-204 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Sidewalk Vendors in Center City,” by eliminating previously designated vendor locations in Center City; all under certain terms and conditions.

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

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

☐ **Resolution No. 170758:** 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 Forty-Fifth 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.

Councilmember Squilla Introduced and Referred the following Resolution for Councilmember Council President Clarke, Sponsored by Councilmember Squilla:

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📄 Directors of the Center City District.

THE RESOLUTION WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

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

📄 **Bill No. 170723:** An Ordinance Authorizing Germantown Special Services District, (“Owner”) to install, own and maintain various bollard encroachments at 57 W. Maplewood Mall, Philadelphia, PA 19144 (“Property”), under certain terms and conditions.

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

Councilmember Bass Introduced and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmembers Bass, Jones, Taubenberger, Johnson, Gym, Squilla and Quiñones Sánchez:

📄 **Bill No. 170724:** An Ordinance Amending Title 15 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Parks and Recreation,” by requiring the public posting of hours of operations for libraries and recreation centers, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS.

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

📄 **Resolution No. 170760:** Resolution Recognizing the Philadelphia Department of Revenue for instituting new payment plan options for non-Real Estate Taxes.

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

📄 **Resolution No. 170761:** Resolution Approving the redevelopment contract of the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority for the redevelopment and urban renewal of a portion of the Germantown Redevelopment Area, identified by house number and street address as 5820-5824 Germantown avenue; and authorizing the Redevelopment Authority to execute the redevelopment contract with Germantown YWCA LLC and to take such action as may be necessary to effectuate the redevelopment contract.

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

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- 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 Twelfth 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.

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

- Resolution No. 170763:** 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 Twelfth 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.

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

- Bill No. 170725:** An Ordinance Adding a Chapter 19-4300 to The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Tax Benefits for New Megabusinesses," by providing an incentive for a New Megabusiness that chooses to locate in the City of Philadelphia by reducing the Business Net Income Tax rate to zero, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

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

- Bill No. 170726:** An Ordinance Amending Title 17 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Contracts and Procurement," by enacting a new Subsection 17-1605(3) to provide for additional oversight by the City Council of compliance with all Economic Opportunity Plans ("EOP") for the participation of minority and female workers, Minority-Owned Disadvantaged Business Enterprises, Female-Owned Disadvantaged Business Enterprises, and Disabled-Owned Disadvantaged Business Enterprises; all under certain terms and conditions.

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THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

Councilmember Bass Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar - Rules Suspended the following Resolution for Councilmember Council President Clarke, Sponsored by Councilmember Bass:

- ☐ **Resolution No. 170764:** Resolution Requesting the Mayor to return to Council Bill No. 170519: "An Ordinance amending Chapter 19-1300 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled 'Real Estate Taxes,' by creating a tax foreclosure diversion program that requires housing counseling assistance, updating tax installment payment agreements to help taxpayers with financial hardships, and other related items; all under certain terms and conditions," for the purpose of reconsideration by the Council of the vote by which said bill passed Council.

Councilmember Oh Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution for Councilmember Squilla, Sponsored by Councilmembers Oh, Green, Domb, Johnson, Bass, Reynolds Brown, Henon, Blackwell, Parker, Taubenberger, Jones, Quiñones Sánchez, Greenlee and O'Neill:

- ☐ **Resolution No. 170765:** Resolution Recognizing and honoring the Class of 2017 Inductees to the Philadelphia Music Walk of Fame.

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

- ☐ **Resolution No. 170766:** Resolution Recognizing September as National Recovery Month in Philadelphia and Celebrating the 16th Annual PRO-ACT Recovery Walks! to Promote Recovery and Work to End the Stigma Surrounding Drug and Alcohol Addiction.

Councilmember Oh Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmembers Oh, Gym, Squilla, Green, Domb, Blackwell and Parker:

- ☐ **Resolution No. 170767:** Resolution Requesting the President of the United States and the United States Congress to enact legislation allowing Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program recipients to remain permanently in the United States by March 2018.

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


- ☐ **Resolution No. 170768:** Resolution Recognizing September 2017 as Childhood Cancer Awareness Month in Philadelphia in Honor of Childhood Cancer

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Patients, Caregivers, Survivors, and Those Children Who Have Succumbed to the Disease; and Urging the United States House of Representatives and United States Senate to Pass House Resolution 820 and Senate Bill 292, Both Entitled, “Childhood Cancer Survivorship, Treatment, Access, and Research Act of 2017 or the Childhood Cancer STAR Act”.

**REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES**

**COMMITTEE ON RULES**

 **Bill No. 170675:** An Ordinance To amend the Philadelphia Zoning Maps by changing the zoning designations of certain areas of land located within an area bounded by Woodbine Avenue, Upland Way, 59th Street, Lancaster Avenue, and 62nd Street.

THE BILL WAS WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION.

**CONSIDERATION OF THE CALENDAR**

**BILLS ON FIRST READING**

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

The following persons provided public comment on September 14, 2017:

**Name and Comment Subject**

Karen Melton (170706)  
Pat Libbey (170706)  
Asa Khalif (170706)  
Rauheed Holmes (170706)  
Clarc King (170706)  
Diop Olygbala (170247)  
Megan Malachi (170247)  
Joe Danihel (170641)  
Peter Winslow (170706)

See Notes of Testimony for full comment.

**BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS ON FINAL PASSAGE**

☐ **Resolution No. 170706:** Resolution Committing the City of Philadelphia to meet or exceed its share of the targets set by the Paris Climate Accord for the mitigation of greenhouse gas emissions.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

☐ **Resolution No. 170727:** Resolution Recognizing National Drive Electric Week 2017 in the City of Philadelphia.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

☐ **Resolution No. 170728:** Resolution Encouraging Amazon to choose the City of Philadelphia as the future home of HQ2.

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- ☐ **Resolution No. 170754:** Resolution Honoring and remembering the late Darren "Dutch" Daulton, catcher for the Philadelphia Phillies, who passed away Sunday, August 6, 2017 at the age of 55 after a four-year battle with brain cancer.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

- ☐ **Resolution No. 170755:** Resolution Honoring and congratulating the winners of the Philadelphia Magazine's Best of Philly 2017.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

- ☐ **Resolution No. 170756:** Resolution Recognizing and honoring Steve Goodman, known as the "fairy godfather of Philadelphia startups" for his hard work and dedication to countless Philadelphia startups and to the Philadelphia tech



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THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

- ☐ **Resolution No. 170757:** Resolution Recognizing and honoring Art-Reach for the premiere of their original documentary film, *I Am* which highlights the groundbreaking partnership between the Pennsylvania Ballet and the students of Saint Katherine Day School,

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

- ☐ **Resolution No. 170760:** Resolution Recognizing the Philadelphia Department of Revenue for instituting new payment plan options for non-Real Estate Taxes.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

- ☐ **Resolution No. 170765:** Resolution Recognizing and honoring the Class of 2017 Inductees to the Philadelphia Music Walk of Fame.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

- ☐ **Resolution No. 170764:** Resolution Requesting the Mayor to return to Council Bill No. 170519: "An Ordinance amending Chapter 19-1300 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled 'Real Estate Taxes,' by creating a tax foreclosure diversion program that requires housing counseling assistance, updating tax installment payment agreements to help taxpayers with financial hardships, and other related items; all under certain terms and conditions," for the purpose of reconsideration by the Council of the vote by which said bill passed Council.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

- ☐ **Resolution No. 170766:** Resolution Recognizing September as National Recovery Month in Philadelphia and Celebrating the 16th Annual PRO-ACT Recovery Walks! to Promote Recovery and Work to End the Stigma Surrounding Drug and Alcohol Addiction.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

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

- ☐ **Bill No. 170406, as amended:** An Ordinance Continuing the Mt. Airy Business Improvement District beyond its termination date, in an area that generally includes both sides of Germantown Avenue from 6300 to 7631 and certain blocks of streets that intersect that portion of Germantown Avenue and for which the Mt. Airy Improvement District, Inc., a Pennsylvania nonprofit corporation, is the Neighborhood Improvement District Management Association for the District; approving a final plan and report for the District, including a list of proposed improvements and their estimated cost, and providing for assessment

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fees to be levied on property owners within the District; authorizing the Director of Commerce, on behalf of the City, to execute an agreement with the Mt. Airy Improvement District, Inc. relating to the District; and authorizing the Mt. Airy Improvement District, Inc. to assess certain property owners within the District a special property assessment fee to be used in accordance with the approved final plan; all in accordance with the provisions of the Community and Economic Improvement Act, and under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS READ AND PASSED.

*The Ayes and Nays were as follows:*

*Ayes: 17 - Councilmembers Council President Clarke, Squilla, Johnson, Blackwell, Jones, Henon, Quiñones Sánchez, Bass, Parker, O'Neill, Domb, Green, Greenlee, Gym, Oh, Reynolds Brown and Taubenberger*

*Nays: 0*

**Bill No. 170468, as amended:** An Ordinance Establishing a business improvement district encompassing certain existing and future hotel properties within the boundaries of the City of Philadelphia, to be known as the Philadelphia Hospitality Improvement Levy District (the “District”); designating the Philadelphia Hospitality Improvement Levy District Corporation to serve as Neighborhood Improvement District Management Association (the “NIDMA”) for the District; approving a plan for the District, including a list of proposed programs and services related to the development and promotion of the hotel and tourism industry in the City and County of Philadelphia and their estimated cost; and providing for special assessment fees to be levied on affected property owners within the District to fund such programs and services; authorizing the Director of Commerce, on behalf of the City, to execute an agreement with the NIDMA for the District; and authorizing the NIDMA to assess affected property owners within the District and collect or cause to be collected special assessment fees to be used in accordance with the approved plan; all in accordance with the provisions of the Community and Economic Improvement Act.

THE BILL WAS READ AND PASSED.

*The Ayes and Nays were as follows:*

*Ayes: 17 - Councilmembers Council President Clarke, Squilla, Johnson, Blackwell, Jones, Henon, Quiñones Sánchez, Bass, Parker, O'Neill, Domb, Green, Greenlee, Gym, Oh, Reynolds Brown and Taubenberger*

*Nays: 0*

**Bill No. 170623:** 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

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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.

THE BILL WAS READ AND PASSED.

*The Ayes and Nays were as follows:*

*Ayes: 17 - Councilmembers Council President Clarke, Squilla, Johnson, Blackwell, Jones, Henon, Quiñones Sánchez, Bass, Parker, O'Neill, Domb, Green, Greenlee, Gym, Oh, Reynolds Brown and Taubenberger*

*Nays: 0*

**SPECIAL BUSINESS**

Councilmember Quiñones Sánchez

moved that the rules of Council be suspended to permit consideration at the time of Special Business related to the recall of Bill No. 170595


THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

*The Ayes and Nays were as follows:*

*Ayes: 17 - Councilmembers Council President Clarke, Squilla, Johnson, Blackwell, Jones, Henon, Quiñones Sánchez, Bass, Parker, O'Neill, Domb, Green, Greenlee, Gym, Oh, Reynolds Brown and Taubenberger*

*Nays: 0*

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

 September 14, 2017

TO THE PRESIDENT AND MEMBES OF THE  
COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA:

I am returning herewith, as requested by your Resolution adopted today, Bill No. 170595, entitled “Regulating the direction of movement of traffic on Westmoreland Street between Lawrence Street to 5th Street,” for the purpoe of reconsideration by the Council of the vote by which said bill passed Council.

Respectrfully,  
James F. Kenney,  
Mayor (File No. 170782)


THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ.

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Councilmember Quiñones Sánchez

moved that the vote by which Bill No. 170595 passed Council be reconsidered.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

 **Bill No. 170595-A:** An Ordinance Regulating the direction of movement of traffic on Westmoreland Street between Lawrence Street to 5th Street.

THE BILL WAS RECONSIDERED.

*The Ayes and Nays were as follows:*

*Ayes: 17 - Councilmembers Council President Clarke, Squilla, Johnson, Blackwell, Jones, Henon, Quiñones Sánchez, Bass, Parker, O'Neill, Domb, Green, Greenlee, Gym, Oh, Reynolds Brown and Taubenberger*

*Nays: 0*


THE BILL WAS READ.

COUNCILMEMBER SANCHEZ MOVED TO AMEND BILL NO. 170595 (SEE FILE).

COUNCILMEMBER SANCHEZ MOVED FOR THE ADOPTION OF THE AMENDMENT.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

THE AMENDMENT TO BILL NO. 170595 WAS ADOPTED.

 **Bill No. 170595-A, as amended:** An Ordinance Regulating the direction of movement of traffic on Westmoreland Street between Lawrence Street to 5th Street.

THE BILL WAS AMENDED.


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

Councilmember Bass

moved that the rules of Council be suspended to permit consideration at the time of Special Business related to the recall of Bill No. 170519

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

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

 September 14, 2017

TO THE PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE

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COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA:

I am returning herewith, as requested by your Resolution adopted today, Bill No. 170519, entitled “Amending Chapter 19-1300 of the Philadelphia Code, entitled 'Real Estate,' by creating a tax foreclosure diversion program that requires housing counseling assistance, updating tax installment payment agreements to help taxpayers with financial hardships, and other related items, all under certain terms and conditionc,” for the purpose of reconsideration by the Council of the vote by which said bill passed Council.


Respectfully,  
James F. Kenney,  
Mayor (File No. 170781)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ.

Councilmember Bass

moved that the vote by which Bill No. 170519 passed Council be reconsidered.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

 **Bill No. 170519-A:** An Ordinance Amending Chapter 19-1300 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Real Estate Taxes,” by creating a tax foreclosure diversion program that requires housing counseling assistance, updating tax installment payment agreements to help taxpayers with financial hardships, and other related items; all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS RECONSIDERED.

*The Ayes and Nays were as follows:*

*Nays: 0*

*Ayes: 17 - Councilmembers Council President Clarke, Squilla, Johnson, Blackwell, Jones, Henon, Quiñones Sánchez, Bass, Parker, O'Neill, Domb, Green, Greenlee, Gym, Oh, Reynolds Brown and Taubenberger*

THE BILL WAS READ.

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

## SPEECHES

COUNCILMEMBERS OH, PARKER, JONES, SANCHEZ, DOMB, BLACKWELL, BROWN,  
AND COUNCIL PRESIDENT CLARKE.

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COUNCILMEMBER REYNOLDS BROWN MOVED TO ADJOURN

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.